

Thomas F. Potvin
July 26, 1948 - April 10, 2018

Rye - Thomas Frederick Potvin, 69, of Rye, passed away on Tuesday, April 10, 2018 at The Hyder Family Hospice House from complications of esophageal cancer. His wife, Louise (Collins) Curtin, with whom he shared many happy moments, was by his side.

Tom was born on July 26, 1948 at Portsmouth Hospital to the late Henry A. Potvin and Helen J Thomas Potvin and lived in Rye the majority of his life. He attended Rye and Portsmouth schools. After graduating from Nichols College, he was employed with IBM in the Boston area. Deciding 'big business' wasn't for him, he left IBM to work in the construction field, concentrating in commercial masonry and light carpentry. Becoming self-employed, he worked on masonry and carpentry projects for many clients in the Seacoast NH area.

Tom especially enjoyed traveling with his wife, as well as time spent with her and family at their camp in Maine. He was a life-time member of the Mayflower Society. While in the Rye Boy Scouts, Tom achieved the rank of Eagle Scout with bronze palm. He worked with Rye Cub Scouts, coached in the Rye Soccer and Rye Little Leagues. He was a past member of Kittery Point Yacht Club and relished time spent sailing. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing, photography, gardening, cooking, scuba diving and snorkeling.

In addition to his wife, Tom is survived by a step-daughter, Lisa Hasseltine and her husband Dr. Christopher Hasseltine and their children, Christopher and his wife Brittany, Joseph, Michael and Rachel all of Centerville, OH; a step-son, William Collins and his wife Martha and their children, Emily, Mitchell and Carolyn all of Winchester, MA. He is also survived by a daughter, Julie of Seattle, WA; a son, David of Colorado and a sister, Deborah Kelso and her daughter Sarah both of Andover, MA.

Tom's family would especially like to express his most sincere gratitude to Amy Bessnow, MD, as well as the compassionate staff of the Seacoast Cancer Center, Beacon Hospice and The Hyder House for their outstanding professional and caring attitude.

Keeping with Tom's wishes, all services and burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Seacoast Cancer Center, WD Foundation, 719 Central Avenue, Dover, NH 03820.

Comments



66 Louise,

We are so very sorry for your loss. Tom was a wonderful person and a very caring neighbor. My sister and I have very fond memories of trick or treat at your house, that we have been able to pass on to our own children. Our favorite (our children's favorite as well) house to go to was always yours, we knew we wouldn't have to go any further in our trick or treat venture after we hit your house and Tom would give us each our own BIG bag of candy to fill our buckets!!! He will be missed very much!!! xoxoxo The Duty Family



Brandy Duty - April 13, 2018 at 09:30 PM



66 From the White Family .



SandraWhiteS - April 13, 2018 at 04:03 PM



66 123 files added to the album LifeTributes







Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - April 13, 2018 at 10:03 AM



Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Thomas F. Potvin.





April 13, 2018 at 09:08 AM



Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas F. Potvin.



April 13, 2018 at 06:27 AM



Having spent the last 28 years with Tom as our neighbor there are many many memories we will keep forever. He couldn't have been any better to our kids and grandkids. There were enormous bags of Halloween candy, mowing paths through his property so our kids could safely visit other neighborhood kids, and the NUMEROUS boxes of Girl Scout cookies purchased! We'll miss our backyard "meetings" and hours of conversations. We couldn't have hand picked better neighbors then Tom and Louise. Rest in Peace, Tom. You will be missed.

Gary and Tori Glidden - April 12, 2018 at 06:56 PM



Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas F. Potvin.



April 12, 2018 at 04:38 PM



Julie Potvin Lee & David Potvin purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Thomas F. Potvin.





Julie Potvin Lee & David Potvin - April 12, 2018 at 02:32 PM



66 Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas F. Potvin.



April 12, 2018 at 01:47 PM



When we think of Tom we remember his smile, laugh and how he enjoyed a good conversation. we celebrate the life of a good man!

Love, Maureen and Bob

Maureen Sarantakos - April 12, 2018 at 10:03 AM



66 Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas F. Potvin.



April 12, 2018 at 09:23 AM



66 Louise, our thoughts are with you.

Ed and Mary

Mary Menard - April 12, 2018 at 08:26 AM





66 Sapphire Skies Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas F. Potvin.



April 11, 2018 at 03:56 PM