



Thomas P. Hoey

December 27, 1940 - October 22, 2021

Lebanon, NJ – Thomas P. Hoey, 80, of Lebanon, passed away peacefully at his daughter's home on Friday October 22, 2021.

He was born in New Brunswick, NJ on December 27, 1940 a son of the late James V. Hoey Sr. and Marie (Efinger) Hoey. He graduated from St. Peters High School with the Class of 1958 and later Rider University in 1962.

He worked his entire life successfully growing his family's business, Efinger Sporting Goods which was founded in 1909, eventually owning and operating before closing in 2016 after 107 years in business. As Tom always enjoyed meeting new people, he started driving for Lyft during his retirement.

Tom was known for his love of dogs. He always had a few dog biscuits in his shirt pocket in hopes of making a new friend. He enjoyed wind surfing and skiing in his younger years; helicopter skiing in British Columbia and volunteering for the National Ski Patrol at Sugarbush in Vermont. He loved to travel, frequenting the Caribbean, Lake Tahoe and most recently to Montana, but his greatest joy was attending his grandchildren's, niece and nephew's sporting events, concerts and plays.

Surviving family members include his partner and best friend, Eleanor Buchler of Lebanon, NJ; children, Erin Williams and her husband Bill of Greenland,

NH, Meghan Gecek and her husband Mike of NJ and Jan Gaweda and his wife Christine of Limerick, PA; grandchildren, Caitlin, Kiera, Meghan, Reagan, Riley, Molly, Michael, Danielle and Christopher; 2 great grandsons; nieces, Kelly and Shannon and nephew, Patrick.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his brother and son, James and Tommy Hoey.

A celebration of life will be held November 13th from 12pm-3pm at the Somerville Elks, 375 Union Ave, Somerville, NJ. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made the charity of your choice.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

NOV 13. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Somerville Elks
375 Union Avenue
Somerville, NJ 08876

Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas P. Hoey*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Sharing my condolences and am glad for Tom's friendship with my dad Ben Leuzzi of Verona Sports Center over the years. Ben passed away a year ago. I'm very glad to have known Tom from the Efinger days. Great man!*

Mike Leuzzi - February 19, 2022 at 01:38 PM



“ *My condolences to Toms Family. We had Tom as our Lyft driver, a few months before he passed. We are going away in a couple days and called him to be our Lyft driver. He was such a nice guy. We had no idea he passed. 😞*

Sharon Salwen - February 12, 2022 at 07:31 PM



“ *Tom was my neighbor for sixteen years and always had a nice smile and greeting for everyone on our court. He was always willing to help any one of us anytime and was very well liked and appreciated. Thank you Tom for your kindness and friendship and I know you are now resting in God's heavenly peace. 🙏
Olivia*

Olivia Harlfinger - November 06, 2021 at 02:59 PM



“ I had the pleasure of working for Tom at Efinger's for nine years. What a wonderful person he was and I had the utmost respect for him. You knew he loved his family dearly by the way his eyes would light up during stories he would tell, and he was so proud of all of them. My deepest condolences to the entire Hoey family and to Eleanor. He will be greatly missed.



-Sheree Platt

Sheree Platt - November 01, 2021 at 10:46 AM

DP

“ Doris & Nick Pisani lit a candle in memory of Thomas P. Hoey



Doris & Nick Pisani - October 30, 2021 at 11:38 AM

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“ Cathy Lavelle lit a candle in memory of Thomas P. Hoey



Cathy Lavelle - October 29, 2021 at 09:25 AM

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My sympathy to the entire Hoey family. I remember fondly my time working with Tom and many of the Hoey's at Efinger's. Was very sad to hear of his passing. Thinking of you all at this difficult time. Sending love and prayers.

-Cathy Lavelle

Cathy Lavelle - October 29, 2021 at 09:30 AM

NH

“ *My sincere condolences to the family. I had the privilege to work for Tom at Efingers for 15 years. I will never forget trying to decipher his handwriting, and how his desk was always crazy, but he always knew where everything was. He was an amazing person, a good man, and will be sorely missed.*



Nicole Hennelly - October 28, 2021 at 11:10 AM

AS

“ *Anna And Jan Slovakia sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas P. Hoey*



Anna and Jan Slovakia - October 27, 2021 at 07:27 AM