



Thomas "Tom" Hofmann

April 22, 1945 - August 4, 2014

Hampton, NH – Thomas “Tom” Hofmann, 69, of Hampton, passed peacefully Monday, August 4, 2014 surrounded by those who loved him and cared for him during his illness.

He was born in Northampton, MA, April 22, 1945 a son of the late George and Marjorie (Fagan) Hofmann.

Tom graduated from St. Michael’s High School in Northampton, MA with the Class 1962. He later graduated from UMass Amherst with the Class of 1966 and Golden Gate University, where he received his MBA.

Serving in the United States Air Force from 1967-1980, where he was a B52 pilot in Vietnam serving tours with the 4th ACS Pleiku and DaNang . During his tours he was awarded 3 Distinguished Flying Crosses for his acts of heroism in aerial flight, in addition to the Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross, Air Medal with 22 clusters and numerous other awards for Valor. He continued his career and became an FB-11 pilot and instructor pilot at Pease Air Force Base. His love for flying was a frequent topic throughout his life.

After leaving the military Tom joined Image Marketing for several years and then became the co-owner with Ed Dunham of Salty's Lobster Pound at the former Smith and Gilmore Pier before a devastating fire took the business.

Shortly after Salty's he joined the Portsmouth Music Hall Staff as the House Film Manager. He later became a Hampton River Bridge operator. He also spent time as a former Commodore at the Kittery Point Yacht Club, during which he participated in several Portsmouth Regatta's and regularly attended the famous Friday Dart nights.

He volunteered for Pro Portsmouth, the Seafood Festival and various causes throughout the Seacoast.

In 1974 Tom bought his dream house in Hampton on Ocean Boulevard, this is where his true love for the ocean started. He purchased his sailboat "BOATOFUS" and the pleasure of being a guest on his boat was known far and wide. He sailed the entire New England Coast, but was famous for his sails to Boston for the Tall Ships and the yearly sail to the Boston Hat Shell for the Fourth of July.

Tom was a world traveler who was famous for the 603 gatherings, Christmas in July and his New Year's Brunches, among many other milestone celebrations. He loved his friends, old and new and his door was always open.

Tom leaves behind his sister Patsy Miller and her husband Bob; his Brother George "Dusty" Hofmann USMC, Ret. and his wife Judith; His brother in law Fred Guerrin and several nieces and nephews as well as several grand nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Tom is predeceased by his sister Millicent "Mitzi" Hofmann Guerrin.

Services with military honors will be held at 12 P.M. Saturday, September 6, 2014 at the Remick & Gendron Funeral Home-Crematory, 811 Lafayette Road, Hampton. A burial at sea will follow. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

SEP 6. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas "Tom" Hofmann*

September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *Tommy,
What a life...what a career...what a guy!! From your humble beginnings in Florence, Ma. to all of your incredible accomplishments and adventures. May your heavenly journey be as awesome as your earthly journey. Rest in Peace. 🇺🇸*

Donna (Classmate 62)

Donna - October 15, 2014 at 08:06 AM



“ *I just read of Toms passing in the Gazette this morning. Yesterday while going through a box of old pictures and newspaper articles I came across a picture of Tom and myself after a Look Park swimming meet in the late 1950s. Many fond memories of spending days at the park and all the swim team practices and meets. My condolences to his family. Julie Crane, Northampton MA.*

Julie Crane - October 09, 2014 at 07:54 AM

JD

“*Wrap me up in me oilskins and jumper.
No more on the docks I'll be seen.
Just tell me old shipmates
I'm takin' a trip mates.
And I'll see you one day in Fiddler's Green.*”

Goodbye Thom - I'll see you one day...
Joe

Joe Daly - September 08, 2014 at 10:51 AM

AB

“*Tom you were a longtime friend who will be sorely missed. It's been a long way from chili dogs and beer on Guam to lobster and scotch on your deck. You leave a large void in our lives. We're gonna miss the phone calls from The Thomas at the Beach.*”

Alan and Barbara - September 06, 2014 at 10:10 AM

WR

“*So sorry to hear of this loss. Knew Tom through KPYC and we both had O'Day's. Will miss his smile, humor, and kind heart.*”

Bill & Candace Rapf

william Rapf - September 05, 2014 at 08:19 PM



“*Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" Hofmann.*”



September 04, 2014 at 07:01 AM

WC

“ We will miss you Tom. a wonderful neighbor and good friend.. I'll give a waive from time to time to your deck because I know you will be there with pipe in mouth staring out at the ocean. RIP- Wendy and the rest of us at 601

wchase - September 02, 2014 at 05:36 PM

SS

“ Tom was my best friend. We sailed every inch of the Maine and NH coast in "Boat of Us" for several years, He loved my little island (Islesboro) as much as I did and we had great times together here. We also loved sailing the BVI. I only wish he could have made it back up here one more time for Maine lobster..... I sure miss you captain !

Scott Smith
Gull Point

Scott Smith - August 30, 2014 at 06:15 PM

ET

“ This is a great loss. This man had a heart of gold and a hug bigger then the world. Thank you for allowing me to share your home for me. Rest in peace. Yoi will never be forgotten.

Erin Thornton - August 30, 2014 at 08:14 AM



“ Tom would have loved to have gotten home to see you again. Thanks for letting the kids come to the house for graduation. Erin will never forget it. Im going to miss you buddy!

Dawn Thornton-Luty - August 29, 2014 at 11:00 PM

MS

“ 40 years my friend it was a heck of a ride ! I do not have enough words to describe this gift of friendship but I miss you and you are now in the heavens where you can see the earth as you have done so many times in your B52 and 111 All my heart all my love Mary

Mary Steele - August 23, 2014 at 04:48 PM



Richard
Knapp

“ I met Tom 35 years ago, when I was stationed at Pease AFB. Was invited to the shore house and introduced to "BLAB". Got to sail with him a few times on his boat. Tom was good people. Got to spent his last 6 weeks visiting him at the nursing home. R.I.P. my friend.

Richard Knapp - August 23, 2014 at 11:20 AM