



Thomas Edward Wojtaszek

October 27, 1927 - November 2, 2017

Thomas E. Wojtaszek, Prominent Attorney, Loving husband, father of twelve.

Thomas Edward Wojtaszek of North Tonawanda, born Oct. 27, 1927, entered eternal life on Nov. 2, 2017 surrounded by his loving family. Survived by his beloved wife, Lillian (Pope) Wojtaszek, and twelve children, Anne (Rich) Lee, Madonna (Jim) Wojtaszek-Healy, Joan (Eric) Ludewig, Mary (Keith Kofod) Kaufman, Thomas E. Wojtaszek, Jr., Pauline (Don) Wojtaszek-Evans, Antoinette (Paul Pearson) Wojtaszek, Henry (Caroline) Wojtaszek, Maureen (Matt) Leffler, Paul (Colleen) Wojtaszek, Kathleen (Tom) Wojtaszek-Gariano and James (Ann DuHamel) Wojtaszek, Tom was also grandfather to Meredith and Jessi Lee; Michael (Laura), Kevin, Claire and Daniel Healy; Eric (Erin) Ludewig and Kathleen (Nixon) Ludewig-Omollo; Michael and Laura Kaufman; Hayley, Autumn and Christian Evans; Jack, Katie and Ryan Wojtaszek; Evan and Lily Leffler; Justin Tomasino, Luke, Ava and Peyton Wojtaszek; and Robert (Nicole) Bilson, Francesca and David Gariano. He was also proud of his nine great-grandchildren. He is also survived by his sisters-in-law, Antoinette Pope, Mary Pope, and Anne Marie (Tom) Rozek, as well as his many loving nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents Thomas and Apolonia (Janiak) Wojtaszek, his sister, Arlene (Vince) Kusmierz, his wife's parents, Enrico and Anna Papi, his sisters-in-law, Angeline (Tom) Porto and Onorina Pope, and his brothers-in-law, Boniface Pope and Francis Pope.

Tom was born in Niagara Falls and attended its public schools, graduating in 1945 from Niagara Falls High School. He served in the U. S. Army at the close of WWII and then moved to Vineland, New Jersey to pursue a career in radio announcing. He moved to New York City, attended Brooklyn College, and graduated with a B.A. from Canisius College in Buffalo. He met his wife while they were attending graduate history classes at Canisius College, and they were married Aug. 22, 1953. With various jobs at local factories or teaching high school, he worked his way through the University of Buffalo Law School and completed his degree and passed the bar exam in 1957, while raising his growing family. He worked for Prudential and Allstate Insurance Companies. He spent the happiest years of his career practicing law at Dixon and DeMarie, Attorneys at Law in Buffalo, from which he retired in 1992. Tom was a founding member of the Niagara County Conservative Party and served on its executive board for over 50 years.

Known for his honesty, integrity, wisdom, generosity and sense of humor, Tom was liked and respected by all those who knew him. He was a devout Catholic whose religious beliefs strongly informed his actions. He enjoyed participating in local politics, but his greatest joy came from his family life. He was an example of a man who lived a life rich in relationships and spiritual and intellectual pursuits. Tom will be dearly missed by all of us blessed enough to have called him husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend.

Friends may call Sunday from 12-4 and 5-9 PM at the Wattengel Funeral Home, 533 Meadow Drive, North Tonawanda. Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday at 11 AM from Our Lady Czestochowa Church, 64 Center Ave, North Tonawanda, NY 14120. Interment Mt. Olivet Cemetery. In Lieu of flowers memorials may be made to the Niagara County Community Missions, 1590 Buffalo Ave, Niagara Falls, NY 14303

Cemetery Details

Mount Olivet Cemetery

4000 Elmwood Avenue
Town Tonawanda, NY 14120

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 5. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Wattengel Funeral Home (Meadow Drive)
533 Meadow Drive
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<https://www.wattengel.com>

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Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 6. 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Czestochowa R.C. Church
Oliver and Center Street
North Tonawanda, NY

Tribute Wall

TJ

“ Celebrate Dad's life and legacy.

Thomas

Thomas E. Wojtaszek, Jr. - November 02, 2018 at 10:55 PM

TJ

“ Remembering Dad with profound gratitude on the 91st anniversary of his birth.

Thomas

Thomas E. Wojtaszek, Jr. - October 27, 2018 at 06:50 PM

TJ

“ Remembering Dad and Mom on the 65th anniversary of their wedding day with love, admiration and gratitude, and thanking God every day for being part of such a wonderful family.

Thomas

Thomas E. Wojtaszek, Jr. - August 22, 2018 at 08:08 AM

MB

“ To all of the Wojtaszek family, My heartfelt sympathy goes out to you.
*I am sorry I did not pay my respects, as I found out after the services were over. God Bless Mr. Wojtaszek, a wonderful man who will be missed. Sincerely,
Marla (Gephart)Berry your backyard neighbors*

marla berry - November 09, 2017 at 11:35 AM

MW

“ Hi Dad! I love and miss you - you were the most awesome father. A piece of all of our hearts went with you on November 2nd...but us hurting is better than YOU hurting. Sleep good! Until we meet again,
Love, Mary

Mary Wojtaszek-Kaufman - November 07, 2017 at 10:56 AM

TC

“ Dearest Wojtaszek family, and an extra kiss and many hugs to Lily, I have always felt so incredibly blessed to feel like I am part of your amazingly family, please know that I am here for all of you forever.. I am so sorry for Tom's loss.. All my love , Terri his memory will endure forever in each an everyone of you...

Terri Czwojdak - November 06, 2017 at 01:46 PM

LP

“ A kind and gentle man who loved his family, Thomas Wojtaszek, will be missed every day. A man who has added to our lives with his kind heart and appreciation for others.
Uncle Tom you will always remain in our hearts and prayers. God Bless you for enriching our lives.
Love, Linda

Linda Pope - November 04, 2017 at 05:37 PM

DF

“ Dave and Stephanie Evans and family purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Thomas Edward Wojtaszek.



Dave and Stephanie Evans and family - November 04, 2017 at 11:33 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas Edward Wojtaszek.*



November 04, 2017 at 09:21 AM



“ *Dennis and Charlene Lanier purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas Edward Wojtaszek.*



Dennis and Charlene Lanier - November 04, 2017 at 08:58 AM



“ *The Porto Families and Gonzalez family purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Thomas Edward Wojtaszek.*



The Porto Families and Gonzalez family - November 03, 2017 at 06:25 PM



“ *Cristiane and Gregory Vincent purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Thomas Edward Wojtaszek.*



Cristiane and Gregory Vincent - November 03, 2017 at 03:34 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of *Thomas Edward Wojtaszek*.



November 03, 2017 at 03:31 PM