

Thomas W. Woods

March 16, 1948 - May 9, 2025

Thomas W. Woods, 77, of North Tonawanda, New York, Friday, (May 9, 2025) surrounded by family at Strong Memorial Hospital in Rochester, New York.

Tom was born Buffalo, New York on March 16, 1948 to Raymond and Grace (Mislin) Woods. Tom was a devoted husband to Diane Woods, beloved father to Shawn (Michelle) Woods, Jason Woods, and Hollie Farrow. Cherished grandfather of 13 and great-grandfather of 15.

Tom is survived by siblings Betty Belling, Beverly (Barry) Lewis, Allen Woods, Mary (Jim †) Starr, and Shirley Kornaker; and predeceased by brothers Robert and Steven (Penny †). He also leaves behind sister-in-law Kimberly Woods (wife of Robert †), many nieces, nephews, and stepsisters.

A hardworking man and entrepreneur, Tom worked at Roblin Steel while building his own successful business, Tom Woods Paving—known for honest work, a friendly, outgoing personality, and a heart of compassion. He often felt deeply for those less fortunate and went out of his way to help whenever he could.

Tom was deeply committed to his community. He sponsored youth teams at North Tonawanda National Little League (NTNLL), providing pizza, snacks, and custom uniforms for his teams. He personally blacktopped areas of the NTNLL field, paying for the materials himself and donating his time and labor to improve the grounds. His generosity was honored with a permanent thank-you sign on the field and a sponsor appreciation award from Tonawanda American Little League.

An avid scuba diver and proud member of the Tonawanda Lions Club for over 40 years, Tom gave freely of his time and spirit. He will be deeply missed by all who knew and loved him. We look forward to seeing this wonderful man again...

'With that I heard a loud voice from the throne say: "Look! The tent of God is with mankind, and he will reside with them, and they will be his people. And God himself will be with them. And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore."

Revelation 21:3,4

Tribute Wall

MW

“ My condolences to all the Woods family, I am so sorry for your loss. Tom was a great guy & I always enjoyed spending time & talking with him. You will be missed Tommy!! Rest Peacefully!! 🙏🙏

Michael Wydysch - May 31, 2025 at 03:45 PM

EK

“ Oh Grandpa, soooo many memories I'd love to share. There truly was no other person with a bigger heart than yours! You always saw the good in people- even if they proved themselves otherwise. Always helping people- even if they didn't deserve it! Truly one of the most humble and kind men alive, I feel sorry for people that don't have somebody like you in their life! I always dread this day would come, I don't think I will ever truly get over it. I could never imagine my life with out you, and now that I'm living it, it all feels so confusing! You were always joking or had something funny to say. My FAVORITE line that you would always say to me was “Emily who?” and I would reply “Your favorite granddaughter duh!” Or whenever i'm walking out the door you tell me come back next time when I can't stay so long 🤔🤔 But if I hadn't been around for a few days you were calling me to ask if I forgot about you guys lol!!! I'll never stop missing you Grandpa, and I can't wait for the day that I get to see you again, and when that day comes, you will be healed of your sickness, and there will be no death ❤️ Love you always, your favorite 😎

emily kaczor - May 30, 2025 at 04:49 PM

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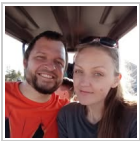
“ Tom was a good man and good friend to my dad for a very long time ! I will miss seeing his smiling face and I'm sad my Dad lost his best buddy. 😭 my deepest condolences to Diane and all the kids. He will be greatly missed by many . May he have eternal peace and rest easy with his savior 🙏

Loree (Maziarz) Rizzo - May 30, 2025 at 04:35 PM

JM

“ Tom was a generous man with a heart of Gold. I have personally seen him go out of his way to help strangers, friends and family alike. Tom had a knack to sense when someone was down on their luck and he would do what he could to help. I saw it many times and it was genuine. I will miss Tommy but I was Blessed to see his true heart and know It was real not empty rhetoric. I will miss you old friend. 😭

Joe Maziarzjoe@gmail.com - May 30, 2025 at 03:55 PM



“ He was one of the greatest guys I've ever met! It's been a pleasure to become part of his family. He was the type of grandpa anyone would wish to have. So many great memories in just the 9 short years of knowing him. My thoughts are with the entire family. It still feels so unreal. RIP grandpa you will forever be loved and missed by me, Justin and the kids ❤️

Melissa Woods - May 30, 2025 at 12:08 PM

EV

“ Tom I remember ,cuz, walking to school and several times skipping school because the weather was too nice 😊 My mom, Aunt Jean, would always bring us over to Aunt Grace's to play. Remember the Cousins Christmas Choir very fond memories ☐ Love you ❤️

Eva - May 29, 2025 at 11:12 PM

KC

“ A true friend and asking nothing in return. Will miss you my friend.

Kenneth Cramer - May 29, 2025 at 07:34 PM

BB

“ Tommy you were my buddy we did alot together ❤️ I miss you so much r.i.p.tommy till we meet again love ❤️ you always Betty

Betty belling - May 29, 2025 at 05:52 PM