



Thomas N. Austin

June 8, 1961 - November 26, 2017

Thomas N. Austin, 56-year-old resident of Little Falls, MN passed away Sunday, November 26, 2017 at his home in Little Falls, MN. A funeral service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, December 2, 2017 at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN. Burial will take place in St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Little Falls, MN. A visitation will be held from 4-8 P.M. on Friday and from 10-11 A.M. on Saturday at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN. Funeral arrangements are with the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN.

Thomas N. Austin was born on June 8, 1961 in Little Falls, MN to the late Donald and Merceda (Jost) Austin. He grew up in Little Falls, MN where he attended school and graduated from Little Falls Community High School with the Class of 1979. Tom worked various jobs throughout his life, but was currently self-employed as an independent distributor for Malco. Tom enjoyed his work traveling from business to business making relationships with his customers and helping them find quality products to operate their business. He was a very outgoing people person that treated everyone with respect and was a very good judge of character. In his free time Tom enjoyed being with his many friends and family members whether it was grilling, playing Carbles, fishing, going for a pontoon ride or entertaining people at his house, he was always ready to have a good time. Tom loved spending a couple weeks during the summer months in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho and always loved a trip to Barry

and Peggy's ranch in Texas. He was a very handy person that could fix, build, or repair about anything if he was given enough time to putz in his garage. He was big man with an even bigger heart, and would do anything for anyone. Tom will forever be remembered for the love he showed to family and his life partner Deb Lentner and her two children Cassie and Lexi which he treated as his own children. He was dearly loved and will be greatly missed.

Tom is survived by life partner, Deb Lentner of Little Falls, MN; children, Cassandra (Bryan) Pender of Denver, CO and Alexis Urbanski of Fargo, ND; siblings, Virginia Fandel of Green Valley, AZ, Bruce (Raelene) Austin of Tracy, CA, and Keith (Jeannette) Austin of Fort Ripley, MN. In-laws: Ralph Lentner of Hillman, Pauline Moren of Pierz, Sharon Funt of Pierz, MN, Karen (Dan) Miller of Hillman, MN, LaVonne (Glenn) Seelen of Hillman, MN, Jerry (Jill) Lentner of Foley, MN, Mick Moren of Pierz, MN, Mark (Deb) Moren of Pierz, MN, Rod (Jackie) Moren of Pierz, MN, Ann (Dave) Schaibley of Bismarck, ND and Johnell Lentner of Bismarck, ND; and many nieces and nephews.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, Donald and Merceda Austin; niece, Pamela Fandel; brothers-in-law, Kenny Fandel and Dean Funt and father-in-law, Martin Moren.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery

4th Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas N. Austin*

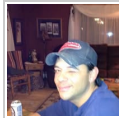


Lemieur Funeral Homes - November 30, 2017 at 01:50 PM

TT

Wonderful video. Thank you for sharing.

Tom Thompson - December 02, 2017 at 08:58 AM



Sorry for your loss, Tom brought supplies to my place for some time now and he was a joy to visit with, I'm going to miss the guy, we send our prayers to your family!

Michael Galvan - December 19, 2017 at 06:55 PM



“ *Thomas N. Austin*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear this. We just learned of this news when we called for him to bring more cleaning supplies. We loved to visit with him when he came. He was a good man.

*Our deepest sympathy,
Danny, Tonya, and Devin
Kings Auto
New London MN*

Tonya Meagher - January 24, 2018 at 03:17 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas N. Austin.*



December 01, 2017 at 12:28 PM



“ *Kelly Conrad lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Kelly Conrad - November 30, 2017 at 10:18 PM

CM

“ *Claudette Moran lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Claudette Moran - November 30, 2017 at 06:32 PM

CM

Prayers and condolences go out to the entire family.

Claudette Moran - November 30, 2017 at 06:32 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas N. Austin.*



November 30, 2017 at 03:26 PM



“ *Love Everlasting Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas N. Austin.*



November 30, 2017 at 02:54 PM

DL

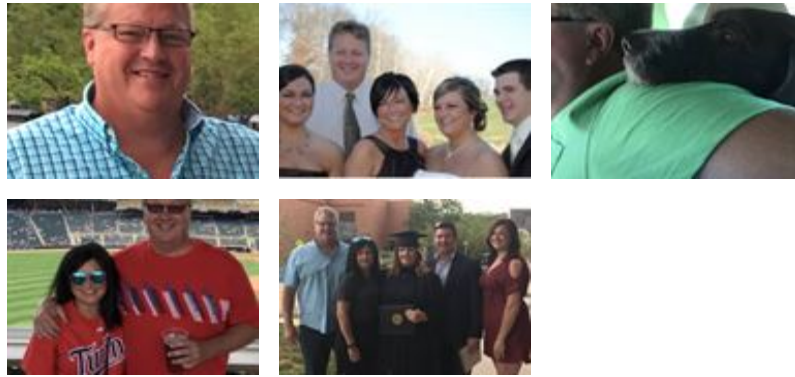
“ *Doug LeMieur lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Doug LeMieur - November 30, 2017 at 12:59 PM



“ *132 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - November 30, 2017 at 12:29 PM

GA

“ *Gordy & Glenda Anderson lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Gordy & Glenda Anderson - November 30, 2017 at 10:18 AM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Thomas N. Austin.



November 30, 2017 at 09:43 AM



“ Nancy Zachmeier lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Nancy Zachmeier - November 29, 2017 at 08:27 PM



“ Mike Pekarek lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Mike Pekarek - November 29, 2017 at 06:52 PM



“ Tom And Diane Santala lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Tom and Diane Santala - November 29, 2017 at 06:44 PM

JH

“ *Judy & Rich Herman lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Judy & Rich Herman - November 29, 2017 at 05:48 PM

BL

“ *Keeping all of you in our hearts, thoughts & prayers! Praying you gather strength from your faith, family & friends.....*

Brad & Dawn Laager - November 29, 2017 at 03:22 PM

JH

“ *Jack & Evette Holler send our deepest condolences!*



Jack & Evette Holler - November 29, 2017 at 01:38 PM

TM

“ *Peace and prayers to you at this time.*



Tracy Moe - November 29, 2017 at 01:28 PM

KR

“ Ken & Jackie Retka lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Ken & Jackie Retka - November 29, 2017 at 12:14 PM

PT

“ Patty And John Tholen lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Patty and John Tholen - November 29, 2017 at 10:22 AM

KZ

“ Kim Zachmeier lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Kim Zachmeier - November 29, 2017 at 03:07 AM

SS

“ Our sympathies to the family ❤️
John & Sharon Strack



sharon strack - November 28, 2017 at 11:33 PM

MA

“ *Mark & Kathryn Almen lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Mark & Kathryn Almen - November 28, 2017 at 09:36 PM

RR

“ *We feel blessed to have known Tom. Deb, we have wonderful memories of great times together with you and Tom. We are always here for you, sweetie. Rox and Steve*

Roxann Ree - November 28, 2017 at 08:33 PM

MO

“ *Michael And Michelle Olson lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Michael and Michelle Olson - November 28, 2017 at 08:03 PM

WR

“ *Wendy And Dave Rutz lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Wendy and Dave Rutz - November 28, 2017 at 08:00 PM

JF

“ Although we never met in person, I had the pleasure of working with Tom over the past few years via the Malco Products store website. My heart felt condolences go out to his family. May God keep you in his care during this very difficult time.

John Fairchild / S Group Inc.

John Fairchild - November 28, 2017 at 02:40 PM

FF

“ Friday Friends Forever purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Thomas N. Austin.



Friday Friends Forever - November 28, 2017 at 02:29 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas N. Austin.



November 28, 2017 at 01:29 PM

TC

“ Tilton Pacific Construction purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas N. Austin.



Tilton Pacific Construction - November 28, 2017 at 12:54 PM

SS

“ Steve And Brenda Smude lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Steve and Brenda Smude - November 28, 2017 at 12:46 PM

SS

Deb,
We are so sorry for your loss. May all the wonderful memories you had with Tom, help you and your families through this most difficult time. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Steve & Brenda Smude - November 28, 2017 at 12:50 PM

MS

“ Mary Foss Sobania lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Mary Foss Sobania - November 28, 2017 at 12:23 PM

MS

“ What a wonderful man I remember buying all my cleaning products through him, he will sadly missed. Sorry for your loss Deb.

Mary Foss Sobania

Mary Foss Sobania - November 28, 2017 at 12:10 PM

CJ

“ Corey Jelinski lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Corey Jelinski - November 28, 2017 at 12:05 PM

SM

“ Steve & Annette Messerschmidt lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Steve & Annette Messerschmidt - November 28, 2017 at 11:35 AM

LH

“ Deb and the entire Austin family I am so sorry for your loss. As a lifelong neighbor to my oldest sister and her family, what I remember most about Tommy is the incredible smile that he always seemed to have on his face. My thoughts and prayers are with you all.



Lois Herman - November 28, 2017 at 11:10 AM

GB

“ Greg And Michelle Blaine lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Greg and Michelle Blaine - November 28, 2017 at 11:04 AM



“ *Peace, Prayer Blessing Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas N. Austin.*



November 28, 2017 at 09:50 AM



“ *Carrie Zupko lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Carrie Zupko - November 28, 2017 at 09:33 AM



“ *Lisa LeMay lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Lisa LeMay - November 28, 2017 at 09:16 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family. Cherish the memories you had with Tom. May He Rest in Peace.*



Roger and Michelle Schneider - November 28, 2017 at 09:00 AM

KK

“ Kurt & Lori Kneeland lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Kurt & Lori Kneeland - November 28, 2017 at 08:41 AM

KS

“ Ken & Linda Santala lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Ken & Linda Santala - November 28, 2017 at 08:21 AM

DB

“ Debbie, I Am so sorry to hear of your loss, Tom was one kind man, and my heart goes out to you , Smpathys to you and your family.

Diane Banwart - November 28, 2017 at 07:57 AM

MZ

“ Mary & Rick Zablocki lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Mary & Rick Zablocki - November 28, 2017 at 07:55 AM

CF

“ Chris And Elizabeth Fadling lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Chris and Elizabeth Fadling - November 28, 2017 at 07:05 AM

MN

“ Mark Norgren lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Mark Norgren - November 28, 2017 at 06:46 AM



“ Susan Twomey lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Susan Twomey - November 28, 2017 at 06:06 AM

DJ

“ Don & Colleen Johnson lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Don & Colleen Johnson - November 27, 2017 at 11:43 PM

DG

“ *Dan And Donna Geisenhof lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Dan and Donna Geisenhof - November 27, 2017 at 11:16 PM

CP

“ *Deb and Austin family we wish you peace to bring comfort, courage to face the days ahead and loving memories to forever hold in your hearts. Please know your are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Chuck and Peggy Parins - November 27, 2017 at 10:31 PM

JC

“ *John & Suzie Chaika lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



John & Suzie Chaika - November 27, 2017 at 10:18 PM

KG

“ *Kim Hansmann Gregory lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Kim Hansmann Gregory - November 27, 2017 at 10:02 PM

TB

“ Troy And Shannon Bjorge lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Troy and Shannon Bjorge - November 27, 2017 at 09:52 PM

SL

“ Shawn And Heidi Larsen lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



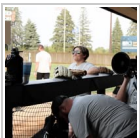
shawn and Heidi Larsen - November 27, 2017 at 09:48 PM

MB

“ Mike&Theresa Barnes lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Mike&Theresa Barnes - November 27, 2017 at 09:30 PM



“ Deb and Toms family I'm so sorry for your loss. Sending prayers to you all.



Courtney Porter - November 27, 2017 at 09:26 PM

CH

“ Cheryl Harrison lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Cheryl Harrison - November 27, 2017 at 09:26 PM

MO

“ MayJo & Mike Olson lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



MayJo & Mike Olson - November 27, 2017 at 09:03 PM

KB

“ Deb, you are in my thoughts and prayers. Kathy Baumann

Kathy Baumann - November 27, 2017 at 09:01 PM

BW

“ Bruce And Nancy Waldvogel lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Bruce and Nancy Waldvogel - November 27, 2017 at 08:52 PM

JH

“ *Jim & Linda Hilmerson lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Jim & Linda Hilmerson - November 27, 2017 at 08:20 PM

FT

“ *Fred Tabatt lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Fred Tabatt - November 27, 2017 at 08:06 PM

MA

“ *I am shocked and saddened by the news of Tom's passing. To his siblings there are no words to express my sympathies at the loss of your brother, he was a great guy and his presence in this world will be missed by so many. To Deb I am so sorry, you two were so great together and my heart goes out to you, I wish there were some words that would help to ease your pain. I will keep you all in my prayers in the days ahead.*

Margurite - November 27, 2017 at 07:19 PM

FA

“ 6 files added to the album *Those were the days...my friend.*



Faye - November 27, 2017 at 07:08 PM

SN

“ Sandy Nelson lit a candle in memory of
Thomas N. Austin



Sandy Nelson - November 27, 2017 at 06:58 PM

LF

“ Louise Frank lit a candle in memory of
Thomas N. Austin



Louise Frank - November 27, 2017 at 06:15 PM

LO

“ Laurie Ochoa lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Laurie Ochoa - November 27, 2017 at 06:12 PM

BH

“ Brad Hilmerson lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Brad Hilmerson - November 27, 2017 at 05:32 PM

MF

“ Michelle & Kyle Hoggarth & Family lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin



Michelle & Kyle Hoggarth & Family - November 27, 2017 at 05:23 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Thomas N. Austin.



November 27, 2017 at 05:10 PM

DQ

“ *Deb (Axel) Quinn lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Deb (Axel) Quinn - November 27, 2017 at 04:54 PM

JS

“ *John & Janell Staab lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



John & Janell Staab - November 27, 2017 at 04:37 PM

CJ

“ *Cheryl & Donny Josephson lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*

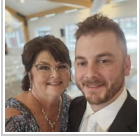


Cheryl & Donny Josephson - November 27, 2017 at 04:31 PM

NG

“ *Deb - May God, memories of Tom and the love of your family surround you and give you strength in the days ahead. Keeping you close in our hearts and thoughts - Kenny and Nancy Garrison*

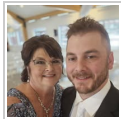
NANCY GARRISON - November 27, 2017 at 04:22 PM



“ *Jill Guith lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Jill Guith - November 27, 2017 at 04:13 PM



So very heartbreaking sending love and hugs to all! So unfair Tom was such a great guy, he will be missed by many.
Jill & Jeff

Jill Guith - November 27, 2017 at 04:21 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Thomas N. Austin.*



November 27, 2017 at 04:00 PM



“ *Fred & Judy Leisenheimer lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Fred & Judy Leisenheimer - November 27, 2017 at 03:59 PM

PF

“ *Patty Fortier lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Patty Fortier - November 27, 2017 at 03:22 PM

PF

Ginny, Deb and family. My heart goes out to you all upon the sudden loss of Tom.

Patty Fortier - November 27, 2017 at 03:23 PM

JC

My prayers are with you and his whole family. God bless all of you.

Janet Cheney - November 27, 2017 at 08:12 PM

MN

“ *Mike And Renee Nieman lit a candle in memory of Thomas N. Austin*



Mike and Renee Nieman - November 27, 2017 at 02:46 PM

DF

“ *Our thoughts and prayers to family and friends in the loss of Tom. May Gods peace be with you all.*

Dan & Connie Fenske - November 27, 2017 at 02:20 PM

FS

“ Our hearts are sad with the loss of Tom, our neighbor and friend. He was like another brother and he will be dearly missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Deb, Keith, Bruce, Ginny and your families. Love Chuck and Faye Santala



Faye Santala - November 27, 2017 at 02:14 PM

JB

Oh Deb, I'm so sorry for your loss, what a shock for you . Thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family.
Julie Brill

julie brill - November 27, 2017 at 02:40 PM

JH

Our thoughts and prayers are with the Austin family. I consider Tom a great friend and a brother growing up in Little Falls. Very glad I was able to speak to him recently and he will be greatly missed!

Jack and Evette Holler - November 27, 2017 at 02:46 PM

DW

My deepest sympathies and condolences go out the Austin family members, Tommy was like a sibling to us Waldvogels. He will be sadly missed. Rest In Peace my brother from a different mother!

Danny Waldvogel - November 27, 2017 at 03:05 PM

MK

Thoughts & Prayers to The Austin Family. Tom was like my Big Brother growing up. My Nickname for him was " Twinkie" because he spent alot of time at our house as a kid and 1 of my memories was that he used to eat all of the Twinkies after Mom bought them. You will be missed Tom but will forever remain in my Memories.

Melissa Kallberg - November 27, 2017 at 03:25 PM

MI

*Deb I am so so sorry for the loss of Tom. I my heart hurts for you!
Thinking and praying for you!*

Michelle - November 27, 2017 at 03:27 PM

JS

My prayers go out to you and your family,so sorry for your loss.

Judy Stroschein - November 27, 2017 at 08:54 PM

MW

*What a shame to see someone this young who was loved by so many
in the Community top leave this world. May he rest in peace.*

Marv Weiss - November 28, 2017 at 01:01 PM