



Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig

August 11, 1943 - September 25, 2023

Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig, 80 year old resident of Randall, MN passed away Monday, September 25, 2023 at Riverwood Healthcare Center in Aitkin, MN. A Mass of Christian Burial will take place at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, September 30, 2023 at St. James Catholic Church in Randall, MN with Father Jimmy Joseph officiating. Burial will take place in the St. James Parish Cemetery in Randall, MN. A visitation will be held from 4-7 P.M. on Friday at the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN and from 10-11 A.M. on Saturday at St. James Catholic Church in Randall, MN. Caring for Tom and his family is the Shelley Funeral Chapel in Little Falls, MN.

Tom was born on August 11, 1943 in St. Paul, MN to the late Freddie and Genevieve (Holper) Koenig. Tom graduated from Paynesville Community High School in 1961. He attended St. Cloud State University for one year majoring in art studies where he refined his talents in sculpture, carving and charcoal drawing. He then worked for Oliver Corporation in Minneapolis where he met his wife, Carolyn. With a flair for hospitality, the couple managed Stone Gate Lodge in Paynesville and later Madden's Pine Edge Inn hotel and restaurants in Little Falls. He was always incredibly proud of his staff at The Pine Edge and worked especially hard so that they would succeed. He later worked at Pap's Sport Shop also in Little Falls. Always dreaming of owning his own small business, in March of 1976, Tom and Carolyn took over Bermel's Shoe Store and joined the Randall community. Tom purchased the store after two

generations of Bermel's operated it. He knew the history behind the store and wanted to keep it that way. As a reflection of his modesty, in the 30 years he owned the store, he never changed the name. When people walked through the front door, they knew they were someplace special. Customers were greeted with a smile, often by name, and they always came first. Early on in Randall, Tom was a volunteer firefighter and also served as a trustee for St. James Parish. In his free time, he loved taking care of his yard and flowers and hanging bird feeders wherever he found space. Tom was an avid deer hunter with an incredible shot. He enjoyed rebuilding cars, gunsmithing and carving decoys. He was an earnest reader and especially enjoyed studying archeology, history and religion. He provided a wealth of information to his kids and grandkids who never hesitated calling him with questions.

Tom is survived by his wife of 59 years, Carolyn (Riesselman) Koenig; children, Timothy (Sandy) Koenig of Randall, Kirsten (Richard) Vosen of Nowthen, and Michelle (Timothy) LeMieur of Deerwood; grandchildren, Cassandra Taylor, Sarah Koenig, Emily Wesselman, Megan (John Paul) Galgano, Noah Vosen, Amelia Vosen, Gabriel Vosen, Luke LeMieur, Arianna LeMieur, Samuel LeMieur, Seth LeMieur; great-grandchild, Thomas Galgano; sister, Nancy (Arthur) Haag; numerous nieces and nephews and many more extended family members and friends.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, Freddie and Genevieve Koenig.

Cemetery Details

St. James Cemetery

Randall, MN

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **29**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Little Falls
214 2nd Street SE
Little Falls, MN

Visitation

SEP **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
405 East Minnesota Avenue
Randall, MN 56475

Funeral Mass

SEP **30**. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. James Catholic Church
405 East Minnesota Avenue
Randall, MN 56475

Tribute Wall



“ *Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*

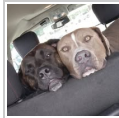


Lemieur Funeral Homes - September 28, 2023 at 02:56 PM

RH

What a beautiful video. So touching.

Roger & Karen Harakel - September 29, 2023 at 12:30 AM



absolutely beautiful video, so sorry for the whole family's loss and what a great loss he is. Laurie and Mike koll

Laurie Venske Koll - October 03, 2023 at 03:53 PM



“ *Laurie Venske Koll lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



Laurie Venske Koll - October 03, 2023 at 03:54 PM

CM

“ Claudette Moran lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig



Claudette Moran - October 01, 2023 at 09:04 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig.



September 30, 2023 at 07:41 AM

LW

“ What a beautiful tribute of Tom! What wonderful memories to hold close to your hearts!!! Our deepest sympathies to all of you! 🙏

Lynn Wenzel - September 30, 2023 at 12:33 AM

KM

“ Kelene M. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig.



Kelene M. - September 29, 2023 at 05:49 PM

LD

“ So sorry for your loss. Thoughts & prayers are going out to your family. Tim, I remember seeing you in church at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Little Falls, MN. years ago. The girls were really small than! I also remember seeing you at Bermal's Shoe Store in Randall, MN.



Lynn Duerr-Karasch - September 29, 2023 at 07:40 AM

CL

“ Charlie And Dianne Ledbetter lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig



Charlie and Dianne Ledbetter - September 28, 2023 at 09:53 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig.



September 28, 2023 at 05:40 PM

TW

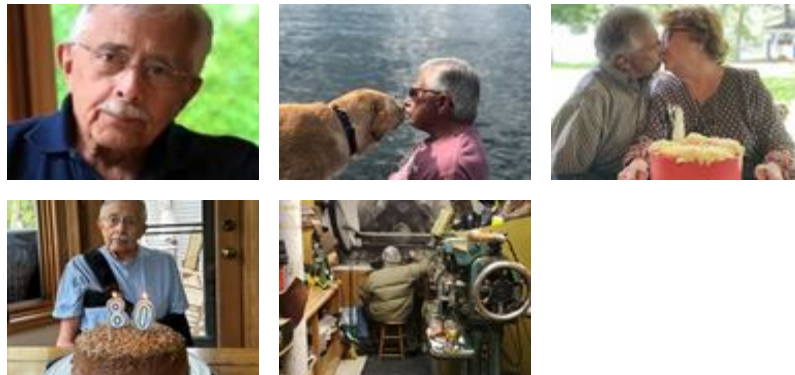
“ We offer our deepest sympathy to Tom's family. Tom was a good friend and a great person. Tom always was a good person to go to to get advice and get an honest answer, whether it be on deer hunting or Church Bazaars. Tom truly will be missed. I find it hard to believe that Tom is gone. My sympathy to all.

Tony and Judy Wenzel

Tony Wenzel - September 28, 2023 at 04:46 PM



“ 155 files added to the album LifeTributes



Lemieur Funeral Homes - September 28, 2023 at 02:54 PM

DF

“ A man always devoted to Bermals Shoe Store. Prayers for his family.
Dan & Connie Fenske



Dan & Connie Fenske - September 28, 2023 at 09:07 AM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



Lemieur Funeral Homes - September 28, 2023 at 08:52 AM



“ *Michelle And Ron Adamietz lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



Michelle and Ron Adamietz - September 28, 2023 at 08:27 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig.*



September 27, 2023 at 07:16 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig.*



September 27, 2023 at 05:40 PM

RH

“ Roger & Karen Harakel lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig



Roger & Karen Harakel - September 27, 2023 at 03:04 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig.



September 27, 2023 at 01:36 PM



“ Janet Retka lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig



Janet Retka - September 27, 2023 at 10:19 AM

RH

“ Robert And Debbie Helmerick lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig



robert and debbie helmerick - September 27, 2023 at 10:08 AM

WS

“ *Willie And Lorraine Schmidt lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



Willie and Lorraine Schmidt - September 27, 2023 at 09:21 AM

LW

“ *Our deepest sympathy to all of Tom's family!
Bob and Lynn Wenzel*

Lynn Wenzel - September 26, 2023 at 09:52 PM

TT

“ *Tom And Gloria Thornborrow lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



Tom and Gloria Thornborrow - September 26, 2023 at 09:03 PM



“ *Amy Pugh lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



Amy Pugh - September 26, 2023 at 08:28 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig.*



September 26, 2023 at 07:01 PM



“ *Alicia Jolly lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



Alicia Jolly - September 26, 2023 at 06:23 PM



“ *Mark E Savage lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



Mark E Savage - September 26, 2023 at 06:13 PM



“ *Tom And Barb Miller lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



Tom and Barb Miller - September 26, 2023 at 04:49 PM

DB

“ Donna & Brad Beaty lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig



Donna & Brad Beaty - September 26, 2023 at 01:19 PM

MG

“ Melissa Sharon Gerads lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig



Melissa Sharon Gerads - September 26, 2023 at 11:23 AM

JF

“ Joannr Fischer lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig



joannr fischer - September 26, 2023 at 10:15 AM

DI

“ Mike & Diane Drew
Sending prayers to the whole family during this difficult time.



Diane - September 26, 2023 at 08:39 AM

JH

“ *Jim And Pam Hines lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



Jim and Pam Hines - September 26, 2023 at 06:49 AM

MK

“ *Mike And Laurie Koll lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



mike and laurie koll - September 26, 2023 at 02:21 AM

SN

“ *Sandy Nelson lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" J. Koenig*



Sandy Nelson - September 25, 2023 at 09:50 PM