



Thomas Michael Hennessy

March 19, 1951 - July 28, 2015

Loudonville- Thomas M. Hennessy (Tom), 64, passed away Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at the Community Hospice Inn with his wife Mary by his side, after fighting the good fight against bladder cancer for the past 3 years. Born in Darby, PA he was the son of the late William and Nancy Moore Hennessy.

Tom was a facilities manager for Empire Blue Cross Blue Shield from 1991-2010 having managed their building at 622 3rd Ave., and the Empire Floors 17-31 of the World Trade Center in New York, NY. He was a World Trade Center Survivor of 9/11. Tom met his wife Mary in September 2003 while opening the Brooklyn Metrotech Building, and they began a 7 year long distance relationship until Tom retired in April of 2010, moved to Albany and they married on April 20, 2012.

Tom was an avid sports fan stemming from his high school football career at Cardinal O'Hara in Springfield, PA, of which he will be inducted into their Hall of Fame on October 10, 2015. He remained a loyal PA supporter, cheering on his Eagles and Phillies. Upon his graduation from high school and college Tom's love of sports changed from player to umpire as he began a 35+ year career as an ASA/USA umpire. Spanning New Jersey, Connecticut and New York, Tom umpired many regional tournaments and Women's softball games at the collegiate level. He served on the Greenwich, CT Umpire Association Board of Directors. After moving to Albany in 2010, Tom worked many games

and quickly ascended into being a key umpire for summer tournament work, often times being assigned to officiate final games. No matter the state or the games officiated, Tom was well thought of amongst his umpire coworkers as an excellent umpire and great person.

Beloved by family and friends, Tom stayed in close contact with his high school buddies, traveling to PA for events such as their yearly golf outing. Many of his friends traveled to Albany the past two months to say good-bye and give a proper “manoadudes” send off, which Tom appreciated deeply.

Tom and his beloved wife Mary enjoyed traveling to sunny destinations where he loved to swim in the ocean, deep sea fish, go biking, and relax. Tom loved Saratoga in the summer, hosting barbeques and “themed” food nights with friends Mitch and Nancy. His wife Mary will forever cherish their Saturday afternoon “family day” walks with their dogs, an ice cold beer, and cooking a great dinner together.

Tom is survived by his beloved wife Mary Menzies; his brothers William Hennessy (late Kathy), Mark Hennessy (Nancy), Sean Hennessy (Patti) and his sister Nancy Kramer (Donald) who all reside in PA; his nieces and nephews, Donald, Shannon, Heather, Melissa, Adam (Lauren), Colleen, Kayla, Ryan, Austin, Jason, Shane and Dylan; his goddaughter Amy Crawford Bauer and godson Joseph (Jennifer); his mother and father in law, Donald and Peggy Kearney of Fleischmanns, NY; sisters in law, Margaret A. Menzies, of The Netherlands and Monica Frizzell (Ricky) of North Carolina; brother in law Joseph Diminio. Tom was predeceased by his parents and his sister Judy Diminio. He is also survived by his beloved dog Tucker, who he referred to as “baby boy” and his newest dog “Biggie”, who quickly became Tom’s 32 pound lap dog. Both dogs were rescued from Homeward Bound Dog Rescue.

Funeral services Saturday, August 1, 2015 from the McVeigh Funeral Home,

208 North Allen Street, Albany at 10:00 am where a memorial service will be held in Tom's honor.

Relatives and friends are invited and may call from 4:00 to 7:00 pm on Friday, July 31, 2015 in the funeral home.

Interment will follow the service at Memory Gardens Cemetery, Colonie.

Those wishing to remember Tom in a special way may send contributions to Homeward Bound Dog Rescue of NY, LTD, P.O. Box 5782, Albany, New York 12205.

To leave Tom's family a message on their guestbook, view his Cinematic Life Tribute, obtain directions, or view other helpful services, please visit www.McVeachFuneralHome.com

Cemetery Details

Memory Gardens Cemetery

983 Watervliet Shaker Road
Albany, NY

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 31. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

AUG 1. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas Michael Hennessy*



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - July 30, 2015 at 10:51 AM



“ *Thomas Michael Hennessy*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *Mary, I played football with Tom at Lee's McRae. I am sorry to hear of your loss. I remember Tom always was smiling and had a contagious laugh! What a great guy to play football with and be friends with. You are in my thoughts and prayer.*
Wayne Musselwhite- Tuscaloosa, AL

Wayne Musselwhite - September 27, 2015 at 01:27 PM



“ *May the words at Isaiah 25:8 bring you comfort " He will swallow up death forever, And the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces."*

Montana mackenzie - August 20, 2015 at 01:05 PM

TO

“ Tommy was a great teammate, and a great friend to have. You could always count on him to give his all, to never give up on the football field, or any where else you might have him on your side. I'm sure that's the way it was with his fight to beat the cancer. I feel bad that I never saw him after high school, but I remember he was a great guy, a down-to-earth guy and a very funny guy. You could always count on him for a ready smile and a few laughs. Tommy, I'll now be thinking of you any time I reminisce about the the great times I had at Cardinal O'Hara, "and until we meet again, may God hold you in the palm of his hands." My sincerest condolences to his wife and extended family.

Todd O'Neill

Todd O'Neill - August 02, 2015 at 01:49 PM

TF

“ Mary, all the guys from St. Dorothy's Parish football team would like to offer their heartfelt condolences at the loss of Tom. We first met Tom in 8th grade on the football field. Our coach, Jim Stewart, designed specific plays to isolate Tom and get our ground game moving. He told us, if we are going to win, we are going to have to double team this Hennessy guy every play of the game. It was my good fortune to be in homeroom and many classes at Cardinal O'Hara with Tom. His good humor and wit got us through many detentions and boring classes. To this day, I cannot think of Tom without smiling. I ran into Tom a few years back at a mutual friend's funeral and we sat and had a beer afterwards to share memories. As you go through life, there are certain people that you never forget, and Tom Hennessy was one of those people. He will be sorely missed by his family and all who had the good fortune of knowing him. At our next reunion in September, we will lift a glass and toast Tom. God bless you and your family, you are in all of our prayers. Tom Feeley, Todd O'Neill, Jim Hannon, Larry Gordon, Drew Guinan, Michael Murphy, Lou Inglese

Tom Feeley - August 02, 2015 at 11:35 AM

JF

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John Franco - July 31, 2015 at 09:44 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - July 31, 2015 at 09:18 AM



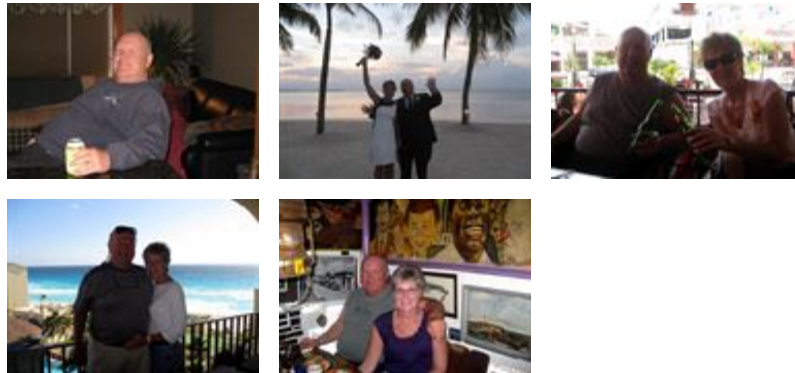
“ *Enchanted Cottage* was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael Hennessy.



July 30, 2015 at 09:01 PM



“ 60 files added to the album Life Tributes



McVeigh Funeral Home, Inc. - July 30, 2015 at 10:43 AM

JD

“ My prayers and condolences to the Hennessy family. I will remember the grin, the laughter and of course the good natured teasing. Like so many others, I am fortunate and blessed to have had Tommy Hennessy as a friend. Rest in Peace Tommy. John Doherty.

John Doherty - July 30, 2015 at 10:26 AM

BG

“ Hennessy Family,
My condolences for your loss! May all your memories give you strength

Belinda Gonzalez
Humana

Belinda Gonzalez - July 29, 2015 at 08:17 PM

PH

“ Tom,

I know that you are now at peace with no pain or suffering. Thank you Tom from the bottom of my heart for all the great memories you and my family have shared together. Christmas times in New York, Christmas dinners, Saratoga, barbeques in Albany, Lake George, Avalon, Stone Harbor and North Wildwood. All of these memories will keep your spirit alive forever. Life will not be the same without you and I will miss you! Heaven has gained another angel who will be watching over me and my family. Rest in Peace.



Love Patty Hennessy

Patty Hennessy - July 29, 2015 at 04:04 PM

CH

“ *I'll always remember you saying "Colleen up your room" You will be missed by all Uncle Tom!*

Colleen Hennessy - July 29, 2015 at 12:59 PM

JF

“ *Mary,*

So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers go out to you. Thank you for bringing so much happiness to Tommy. He will be missed by many but not forgotten by any of us. His memory will always be with us and I am sure we will share some laughs and tears as we think about him. May the grace of God help ease your pain.

*Love,
Jim Forrest*

Jim Forrest - July 29, 2015 at 12:47 PM

BD

“ I can not imagine thinking of Manoa without Tommy. He was always at the forefront of all the special memories I have of all those great times. I am so blessed to have known him and to call him my friend. We will all miss him terribly.

Bob D"Angelo - July 29, 2015 at 12:45 PM

KL

“ Mary,
My memories are all the same; a big guy with an even bigger heart. I was always glad to visit you guys and admired his struggle (in silence) with cancer.
Please accept my families' heartfelt condolences at this time.
Tommy was loved by so many people and we feel privileged to have been in his orbit.
Love always,
Kenny, Barbara and boys.

kl - July 29, 2015 at 12:30 PM

DD

“ Mary - I am so sorry to hear about Tommy. My deepest sympathies go out to you. He was one of the greatest people I ever knew and I will never forget him or how good a friend he was to so many people. He will live on in us as he is a part of us. Please be strong and know that he will be dearly missed forever. I love you. Denis.

Denis DiPhillips - July 29, 2015 at 11:38 AM

JF

“ Tommy,

You will live in us all until the time we meet again. So long my friend.

John

John Franco - July 29, 2015 at 11:33 AM