



Thomas G. Bornfleth

June 3, 1947 - November 24, 2016

Thomas G. Bornfleth, 69, of Niagara, went to meet his Lord and Savior on Thursday, November 24, 2016. He passed away unexpectedly as a result of a heart attack.

Tom was born June 3, 1947 in Iron Mountain, son of the late William and Georgia (Strauss) Bornfleth. He graduated from Kingsford High School in 1965 and went on to attend Ferris State University. He graduated from F.S.U. with a Bachelor's Degree in Trade Technical Education and a history minor. Tom married Catherine Person on June 7, 1969 at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Iron Mountain. He has been an active and faithful member of the church since moving back to the area after retiring. He enjoyed music, playing the guitar and loved animals. Tom had a passion for 1950's cars and enjoyed taking rides in his 57 Chevy. He was an avid model railroader and repaired many O-gauge trains. Tom had a big heart and was handy at fixing just about anything. Because of this, he was always there to help anyone in need. He loved nothing more than spending time at the cottage and having a campfire by the lake with family and friends.

Tom is survived by his wife of 47 years, Cathy; his mother-in-law, Dorothy Person; three children, Chad (Brenda) Bornfleth, Jon (Elisha) Bornfleth and Amanda Bornfleth (Thomas Trippler); five grandchildren, Micah, Caleb, Lydia, Daniel and Samuel Bornfleth; brothers, James Bornfleth, Kurt (Ramona)

Person and Ross (Katie) Person; sisters, Barb (Tom) Gauthier, Rhonda (Wes) Thomas-Peters and Jaye (Jeff) Carroll; and numerous nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Visitation will be held on Wednesday, November 30, from 10:00 am until 12:00 noon at Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Iron Mountain. A memorial service will follow at 12:00 noon at the church. Rev. David Johnson will officiate. Burial will be in the Niagara Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in his memory.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Thomas Bornfleth online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home of Iron Mountain with the arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Niagara Cemetery

Washington St.
Niagara, WI 54151

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **30**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Holy Trinity Episcopal Church
221 West B St.
Iron Mountain, MI 49801

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

DH


“ Dear Cathy, Nancy and I have fond memories of you and Tom from St. Anne's. So sorry to hear of Tom's passing way too early. May God bless you and your family.
Dean & Nancy Heaston

Dean & Nancy Heaston - December 02, 2016 at 09:01 AM

MW

“ I will always remember Tom's life as an example of Christian values .
He was always encouraging others and sharing God's love with those who were having hard times. (Mostly behind the scenes)
He was always grateful for his blessings and never seemed to complain or gossip.
When I think of the fruits of a spirit filled life, I will remember Tom and the path he followed.
Mary Wittig

Mary Wittig - December 01, 2016 at 03:29 PM

 Paul
Strelka

“ Condolences to Tom's family from another musician. When I first started playing at the church in Green Bay, he taught me some of the songs I use in nearly every service, and he found a home for my old model railroad.

You're with God, Tom!
Paul

Paul Strelka - November 30, 2016 at 05:39 PM

ML

“ *My sincere sympathy to the family. I went to school with Tom and knew him to be a very kind and humble man. My thoughts and prayers are with all of you.*

*"Death leaves a heartache no one can heal.
Love leaves a memory no one can steal."*

May your happy memories give you peace.

*Mary (Edens) Lee
KHS Class of 1965*

Mary Lee - November 30, 2016 at 09:14 AM

JS

“ *My sympathy to your family. I worked with Tom at HC Miller. Always enjoyed Tom's company. He was a very positive influence on me and many others. He has left his mark in this world and now is on to greater things in heaven. You will be in my prayers.*

Joanne Smits

Joanne Smits - November 29, 2016 at 07:48 PM

JG

“ *Jon, Elisha and family---Our sympathy to you and your whole family.*

Joe & Deb Grunst-Sarah & Mike

Joe Grunst - November 29, 2016 at 02:21 PM

DW

“ *My sincerest sympathy to the whole family. I will always remember Tom's glorious guitar renditions of "Shine Jesus Shine" in the St. Anne's church folk group! Dianne Wilson*

Dianne Wilson - November 29, 2016 at 01:01 PM

MH

“ *Cathy, I am so sad to read about Tom's passing..sympathy and prayers. Marian Hiatt*

marian hiatt - November 29, 2016 at 10:35 AM

 Carrie Bacovsky

“ *Oh Cathy, I'm so sorry. I absolutely loved Mr. Bornfleth. He was so very kind to my father, Jack Bacovsky, while he was ill (and throughout their entire friendship). I still remember Mr. Bornfleth speaking at my father's funeral. I have no words. I'm in tears and so very sorry for your loss. So sorry Chad, Jon and Amanda. I know how much this can hurt losing a father too young. You will get through this. You'll never forget, but it will get easier to handle. Your father was an amazing man.*

Much love and God's blessings to each one of you.

Carrie Bacovsky

Carrie Bacovsky - November 29, 2016 at 09:05 AM

KE

“ *Cathy and family,*

We were deeply saddened upon reading of Tom's passing. He was truly a special person.

We will always have fond memories of him!!

God Bless!!

Ken and Bea Van Den Elzen

Ken and Bea Van Den Elzen - November 28, 2016 at 08:39 PM

MM

“ *Bornfleth family sorry to hear of Tom's passing. His peaceful demeanor always impressed us when we attended church functions throughout the years. You are in our prayers.*

Mike and Nancy Murray

Mike and Nancy Murray - November 28, 2016 at 07:20 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas G. Bornfleth.*



November 28, 2016 at 09:48 AM

ED

“ John, Elisha, and Bornfleth family: My heartfelt condolences go out to you and your family on the sudden passing of your dad. Cherish the memories you created and shared through his life, for I know he raised a fantastic family!

Ed DeBeck

Ed DeBeck - November 28, 2016 at 07:40 AM

MA

“ I am shocked to hear of Tom's passing. My deepest condolences. Tom was so patient and supportive of me during our practice sessions and Sundays's liturgies. I have many fond memories of these times. Tom will always be a special individual to me.

Marie Adee - November 28, 2016 at 07:20 AM

DS

“ Dale and I were saddened to hear about Tom's sudden, unexpected death. We are praying for your family and we look forward to having him greet us, along with Jesus, when we arrive "home" someday.

Dale and Karen Staege - November 27, 2016 at 03:55 PM

PH

“ Tom always had a smile and something positive to share. We have many wonderful, sunny memories visiting on the dock at Lake Ellwood with the Person family. He will be greatly missed! Our love and prayers to Cathy and family.

Pam and Howard - November 27, 2016 at 11:09 AM

LW

“ I am deeply sad to hear of the passing of this wonderful, compassionate man. I had the honor to play with him in the St. Anne's Folk Group! He was always quick with a kind word of encouragement. He will always hold a special place in my heart. My deepest condolences to your family...Linda Wallenfang

Linda Wallenfang - November 27, 2016 at 08:01 AM