



Thomas John Christian

May 3, 1961 - March 3, 2025

Thomas John Christian, 63, of Sagola, passed away on Monday, March 3, 2025, in the comfort of his own home.

Tom was born in Norway on May 3, 1961, the son of Clarence Christian and Frances (Degenaer) Hood. He graduated from North Dickinson High School in 1979 and continued his education for three years at Michigan Technological University. On August 14, 1982, Tom married his high school sweetheart, Toni (Jeka) Christian, at the Saint Rose Catholic Church in Channing.

Tom's early years were spent working in the woods alongside his father, Clarence, operating logging equipment and gaining a deep connection to the land that he carried with him throughout his life. Later, Tom transitioned to a career as a long-haul truck driver, where he continued his work ethic and determination. Whether it was long-haul trucking or working at home, Tom was always dedicated to providing for his family and getting the job done.

A man of great resilience, Tom bravely fought through a battle with bladder cancer, a challenge that arose while he was also experiencing the joy of becoming a grandfather. He was deeply proud of his family, and will be remembered for his passion for life, fiery spirit, and unwavering determination.

Tom will be deeply missed by his wife, Toni; his two sons, Brandon and Kyle

Christian; his grandson, Blake Christian; his mother, Fran Hood; his father, Clarence Christian; his two brothers, Clarence (Tina) Christian and Mike (Anna) Christian; his beloved dog, Diesel; and many other relatives and friends.

A celebration of his life will be held at the Sagola Community Building on Saturday, March 15th from 12-3pm.

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

The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home for their compassionate care and understanding during this difficult time. Their support and professionalism have meant a great deal to us.

Previous Events

Celebration

MAR **15**. 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Sagola Township Community Center
301 1st St.
Sagola, MI 49881

Tribute Wall

LT

“ My sympathy to Toni and family on the passing of Tom. I have fond memories of this dear classmate. Prayers for comfort.

Lori Lindeman Thiry - March 13, 2025 at 09:32 AM

SP

“ My Deepest Sympathies to Fran and Mike and family for the loss of Tom may he RIP❤️❤️❤️

Susan Piatti - March 11, 2025 at 02:45 PM

KL

“ What can I say...have known you guys for about 50 years I was in your wedding..you were in mine. .we were all so close ..my parents LUVED you both!!Many a great times!Will miss Tom 💔

Kristen Lindholm - March 05, 2025 at 11:31 PM

CB

“ Very nice classmate! I am truly sorry Toni, boys, Mama Fran, Clarence and Mike, all my prayers!



Charlotte Briggs - March 05, 2025 at 10:20 PM