



Thomas Alan Plante Jr.

July 4, 1948 - July 11, 2022

Thomas Alan Plante, Jr., 74, of Niagara, passed away on Monday, July 11, 2022, at Marshfield Medical Center- Dickinson in Iron Mountain.

Tom was born on July 4, 1948, in Tokyo, Japan, the son of the late Thomas and Verna (Fitzgibbon) Plante. He graduated from Iron Mountain High School in 1966 and was a lifelong resident of the area. He was a United States Army Veteran of the Vietnam War. Tom married Lorie Larson on January 24, 1976, in Quinnesec, MI. He worked for We Energies (formerly Wisconsin Electric Power Co.) for 41 years, retiring as Supervisor of Hydro Operations in 2008. After retiring, he started a consulting business, TAP Hydro Consulting Inc., where he served as owner and president, retiring in 2018. He was a member of the American Legion and was involved in the 40 et 8 charitable honor society of American wartime veterans, a board member for the National Water Safety Congress, and a treasurer/board member of the Midwest Hydro Users Group. Tom was community minded and was a member of the Niagara Lions Club. He loved golf and served as the president of the board for Oak Crest Golf Course. Tom also loved music and was a founding member of the Sage Band where he sang and played guitar. In addition to golfing and music, Tom enjoyed basketball playing many years in the city league, taking trips to the casino and most of all, time spent with family.

Tom is survived by his wife of 46 years, Lorie; two daughters, Michelle (Steve)

Coron of Iron Mountain and Megan Plante (William Cleereman) of Kingsford; and he was a loving grandpa and “Tickle Monster” to Christopher Carollo, Brianna Olson, Aidan Richtig, Kyla Olson, Alizabeth Richtig and Hailey Coron. He is also survived by two brothers, Mike (Mary) Plante and Dave (Deb) Plante; two sisters, Cindy Sebaly and Mary Munson; a brother-in-law, John (Beth) Larson; a sister-in-law, Lynn Larson (John); Tom’s daughter Michelle’s mother (Linda Rogers) and sister (Miranda (Dan) Repp); and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Tom was preceded in death by a daughter, Mindi Richtig and two sisters-in-law, Robyn Bellmore and Cathy Larson.

There will be a Celebration of Tom’s Life on Saturday, July 16 from 3:00 until 6:00 pm at the Oak Crest Golf Course Clubhouse in Norway. It will begin with a brief prayer service at 3:00 pm. Private family burial will be in the Quinnesec Cemetery. The Uren-Cooper-Johnson American Legion Post 50 will conduct military graveside honors.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Tom Plante online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon & Nash Funeral Home with the funeral arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Quinnesec Cemetery

Menominee Street
Quinnesec, MI 49876

Previous Events

Prayer Service

JUL 16. 3:00 PM (CT)

Oak Crest Golf Course
N1475 US 8
Norway, MI 49870

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall

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“ *sure do miss Tom stopping by the corn stand every few days, he brightened my day*

Evelyn J Rugg - July 27, 2022 at 10:27 PM



“ *Diane McKinnon lit a candle in memory of Thomas Alan Plante Jr.*



Diane McKinnon - July 16, 2022 at 10:31 AM

KS

“ *So very sorry to hear of Tom's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time. Mike and Kris Solda and Family*

Kris Solda - July 15, 2022 at 06:07 PM

BW

“ *I'm so sorry to learn of Tom's passing. As a fellow board member of the National Water Safety Congress, I enjoyed very much Tom's and Lorie's friendship. Rest In Peace my friend. Prayers for and condolences to Lorie and family. Brenda Warren*

Brenda Warren - July 15, 2022 at 02:49 PM

GS

“ *Rest In Peace my friend. I will always cherish the memories from high school days.*

Grace Sparapani - July 15, 2022 at 12:13 AM

JK

“ So sorry to hear of Tom’s passing! He was always an outgoing coworker and team member and was always helpful to me as well as my good “neighbor” in the office next to mine. He always brought laughter into the workplace but also in a serious way. I recall he joined me on a FERC dam safety inspection at Brule Dam (in May I believe) and the FERC inspector thought that we should take down all of our “Thin Ice” warning signs around the intake and spillway now that the ice was gone. Without so much as a pause, Tom looked down at the water and said “I don’t know, looks pretty thin to me!” We all laughed, but the FERC inspector didn’t dare ask us to remove the signs after that. I’ll miss your laughter Tom, as I already have in our retirements! And to the family, my deepest condolences in your time of loss!

Joe Kick - July 14, 2022 at 07:55 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas Alan Plante Jr..



July 14, 2022 at 07:18 PM



“ REST IN PEACE TOM!!! Prayer's to the Families!!!

Richard Dabb - July 14, 2022 at 05:00 PM