



Thomas David Swank

May 13, 1960 - January 16, 2025

Thomas David Swank, 64, passed away January 16th, 2025 at 12:09 pm surrounded by loved ones at Northside Cherokee Hospital, Canton, GA. Tom was born on May 13th, 1960, at Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge, Illinois, the son of David Lee and Joan Ellen Rolf Swank. He married Ann Rachel Lawrence on April 17, 1993, at Evelyn Chapel in Bloomington, IL; she survives.

Tom is also survived by his two children, Madelynn Swank, Hudson, OH, and David Swank, Indianapolis, IN. He is also survived by two sisters, Tina (Ed) Beyer of Woodstock, GA and Terri (Ron, deceased) White of Frisco, TX. Tom was also Uncle to many nieces and nephews and two great nieces.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents and his brother, Timothy Swank.

Tom graduated from Moline High School in 1979 and attended and graduated from Eastern Illinois University in 1983. At Eastern Illinois, Tom was a member and President of his fraternity, Phi Sigma Epsilon. Tom spent 40 years working as a Sales and Marketing Executive for consumer and commercial products companies. Tom was Sales and Marketing Manager with First Brands/The Clorox Company for 15 years; Vice President General Manager Consumer Products Group of Oil-Dri Corporation of America for 12 years and Vice President of Sales for Turtle Wax, Inc and most recently Beaumont Products, Inc. before semi-retiring.

Tom together with wife Ann were the loving, guiding influence in raising their two children in the Chicago suburb and "Mayberry-esque" Village of

Clarendon Hills, IL. Tom was an avid golfer and over the years golfed in a league at Cog Hill in Lemont, IL and recently at Crystal Falls Lake and Golf Club in Dawsonville, GA. Tom achieved several hole-in ones in his lifetime and one of his greatest joys was teaching his children to golf. He also had a passion for fly fishing and loved fishing the Norfolk River in Arkansas. Above all else, providing for his family was his number one priority. Tom also deeply valued his friendships both lifelong and new. Faith in God was important to Tom and was a member of Bethel Lutheran Church in Westmont, IL and a member of the MOB (Men of Bethel).

A memorial service to celebrate the life of Tom will be held at BETHEL LUTHERN CHURCH 36 N GRANT St, WESTMONT, IL 60559 on Saturday, April 26th, 2025 at 10:30 AM. Following the service, the family will host a reception at Tierra Distillery in Clarendon Hill, IL.

In lieu of flowers if you wish, donations may be made to either the Evans Scholars Foundation or the Bethel Lutheran Church in Westmont, Illinois.

Evans Scholars Foundation Link: https://secure2.convio.net/wgaesf/site/Donation2;jsessionid=00000000.app20119a?df_id=1740&mfc_pref=T&1740.donation=form1&NONCE_TOKEN=CDFE16988EA9DBE8F01F75038FF9255A

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 22. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Celebration Of Life

JAN 22. 1:30 PM (ET)

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APR 26. 10:30 AM (CT)

Bethel Lutheran Church
36 N. Grant St.
Westmont, IL 60559

Tribute Wall

EF

“ Erin Fahey planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas David Swank.

Erin Fahey - January 21, 2025 at 08:50 PM

EF

“ Erin Fahey purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas David Swank.



Erin Fahey - January 21, 2025 at 08:50 PM

GM

“ Gene and Stacey Mruczkowski purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Thomas David Swank.



Gene and Stacey Mruczkowski - January 21, 2025 at 01:24 PM

TF

“ The Bukvic family purchased the Amazing Arboreola for the family of Thomas David Swank.



The Bukvic family - January 21, 2025 at 01:10 PM

TF

“ *The Bukvic family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas David Swank.*

The Bukvic family - January 21, 2025 at 01:10 PM

DJ

“ *I loved working with Tom. He was a great teammate and a great leader. It was always fun traveling with him to make sales calls and visit our plants. He had a huge zest for life. Loved his family with all his heart! He will be missed.*

Dan Jaffee, Oil-Dri

Dan Jaffee - January 21, 2025 at 10:14 AM

JW

“ *Jeff and Beth Welch purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Thomas David Swank.*



Jeff and Beth Welch - January 21, 2025 at 09:52 AM

TS

“ *The Thornes, Chadwells, Canents, Sharps purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Thomas David Swank.*



The Thornes, Chadwells, Canents, Sharps - January 21, 2025 at 08:55 AM

MP

“ *Monica & Hudson Palacios purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Thomas David Swank.*



Monica & Hudson Palacios - January 21, 2025 at 08:30 AM

RM

“ *Rachel, Gwen, Tom, Mary & Molly purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Thomas David Swank.*



Rachel, Gwen, Tom, Mary & Molly - January 20, 2025 at 10:19 PM

CP

“ *Craig & Denise Pelham purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Thomas David Swank.*



Craig & Denise Pelham - January 20, 2025 at 05:47 PM

EF

“ *Erin F. purchased the Treasured Lilies Spray for the family of Thomas David Swank.*



Erin F. - January 20, 2025 at 04:17 PM

DS

“ I was also a member of the MOB (Men of Bethel) and remember Tom as a soft spoken and patient man who loved his Lord. Our deepest sympathies to Ann, Maddie and David. Your husband and Dad is with Jesus.

Love, Don & Sharie Schwieger

D&S Schwieger - January 20, 2025 at 02:00 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas David Swank.



January 20, 2025 at 01:28 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas David Swank.



January 20, 2025 at 01:14 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas David Swank.



January 20, 2025 at 11:03 AM

AB

“ I met Tom a couple of years ago at Bradshaw Farm Golf Course when he joined a group of like minded golfers for a Friday game. Tom was easy to like and we quickly grew to be friends while doing the thing we loved! Tom was a pleasure to know and the guys at Bradshaw will miss him dearly. Tom's golf swing was envied by all that witnessed the silky smooth action that sent the ball towards it's target. Tom was always ready with a compliment or a word of encouragement to help calm the mind of a struggling partner or opponent. Tom was a fine man and I am a better person for knowing him. Sincere condolences to the Family. "Alan Berry and his Golf Family at Bradshaw Farm".

Alan Berry - January 20, 2025 at 09:26 AM

HL

“ Tom was dearly loved by the MHS Class of '79. Prayers of comfort for his wife Ann, their 2 children, as well as his extended family and so many friends. Tom was a friend to everyone—Always had a smile on his face and a twinkle in his eye. Rest in peace, my dear friend. I'll see you on the other side. 🙏❤️🙏

Heidi Watkins Lewis - January 20, 2025 at 09:18 AM

CH

“ Charla H. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas David Swank.

Charla H. - January 19, 2025 at 10:54 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas David Swank.



January 19, 2025 at 08:55 PM



“ Rodney L. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas David Swank.

Rodney L. - January 19, 2025 at 05:47 PM



“ John A. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas David Swank.

John A. - January 19, 2025 at 05:25 PM



“ John A. purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Thomas David Swank.



John A. - January 19, 2025 at 05:25 PM



“ Praying God gives this family comfort and peace during this most difficult time. God bless Tom and family

Mary Therese Voracek - January 19, 2025 at 04:56 PM

EC

Our condolences to Tom's family and friends. He will be missed. May the Lord's peace be upon you as you grieve your loss. Rejoice in his faith and the promise of new life.

The Cash Family, Eric, Beth, Sam, Ashley, and Emily

E. Cash - January 21, 2025 at 08:33 AM

CB

My deepest condolences to you and your family during this difficult time. Tom joined our Friday group at Bradshaw Farms. He so enjoyed playing golf and was such a pleasure to play in his group. He was always talking about family; I could tell how much he loved his wife and 2 children.

Chuck Blackburn

Chuck Blackburn - January 21, 2025 at 05:23 PM