



# Thomas A. Wakefield

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**T**homas Arthur Wakefield, 62, passed away October 4, 2011. He was born September 9, 1949 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to the late Thomas and Jeanne (Toth) Wakefield. In addition to his parents, he is preceded in death by his daughter, Cassandra Wakefield in 1984; and sister, Linda Wakefield in 1974. He is survived by his wife of 23 years, Barbara Batchelor; daughters, Alessa (and her husband Arthur) Stover of Lehigh Acres, Florida, Tara Wakefield, Melissa (and her husband Paul) Herzog and Melinda Wakefield all of Columbus, Ohio; sisters, Elaine (and her husband Calvin) Bigley of Knox, Pennsylvania, Kathleen (and her husband, Daniel) Klingler of Emlenton, PA; brothers, Arthur Wakefield of Fort Myers, Florida and Harold (and his wife Valerie) Wakefield of Franklin, Pennsylvania; grandchildren, Brandon, Gavin, Seth, Gracey, Liliana, Evan and Logan. Thomas came to Lee County in 1982 from Franklin, Pennsylvania. He was a member of the Estero United Methodist Church, Gator Alley ABATE of Florida, Florida Flywheelers, Ole Timers Tractor Club and International Harvester Collectors Club chapter 27 of Florida. He retired as a Fire Inspector for the Iona McGregor Fire District in 2008. He loved spending time with his family and friends, riding and building antique motorcycles. There will be a visitation Saturday, October 8, 2011 from 11:00 to 2:00 at the Estero United Methodist Church, 8088 Lords Way St, Estero, FL 33928. Funeral service will follow at 2:00PM. Memorial contributions may be made to the Ronald McDonald House at [www.rmhswwfl.ejoinme.org](http://www.rmhswwfl.ejoinme.org). Condolences may be left at [www.fortmyersmemorial.com](http://www.fortmyersmemorial.com).



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TD

**Tery & Karen Dittman** posted:

We are sorry to heard of Tom's passing. Hadn't seen him in years, but will always remember him in our earlier days at Keystone High School, Knox, Pa.class of 1967. He was a great guy and good friend.

October 19 at 9:00 AM

LS

**Linda Scholtz** posted:

Dear Barbara, So very sorry to hear about Tom's passing, please accept my sincere condolences. He was a wonderful person and always willing to help no matter what it was. Many will surely miss him. He is now at peace in a better place. Take care of yourself and if there is anything you need please call: same house, same number. Much Love, Linda Scholtz

October 7 at 8:00 PM

BB

**Bam Bam** posted:

We sure did love you brother and were going to miss you. Love ya Bam

October 7 at 7:50 PM

ES

**Ed And Diane Steffens** posted:

See you later brother, Peace!

October 7 at 1:09 PM

NH

**Norma J. Hudak** posted:

Barbara...I am so sorry to hear about your loss. Take care and God Bless you.

October 7 at 9:09 AM

SW

**Sara Wakefield** posted:

Barb- I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Hold close all your love and laughter you shared. Tom was a wonderful man. A very interesting and intelligent person-whether it was talking about motorcycles or talking the Bible, he was always passionate about it all. He truly will be missed. May God Bless.

October 7 at 8:15 AM



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CR

**Chris Riddle** posted:

Barb, I am sorry to hear that we have lost Tom. You guys were always a great joy to be around. Please take care, my prayers and thoughts will be with you. Love ya, Chris

October 6 at 5:46 PM

JU

**Joe Ursitti** posted:

Rest in peace, Tom.

October 6 at 2:33 PM

GC

**Gary L. Carroll** posted:

I got to know Tom while I was working at the Fire Department from 1979 until my retirement in 2000. I got to talk with Tom when he had his operation at the hospital, I was the Security Supervisor at the hospital, we had a lot of time to talk about the old days in the fire dept. Tome we all shall miss you, be with GOD.

October 6 at 9:59 AM

CI

**Cheryl Bauchert Imfd** posted:

RIP Tom

October 6 at 8:35 AM

PS

**Pat Boal Stout** posted:

We are so sorry to hear of Tom's passing. We enjoyed meeting and talking with him on our visit to the cottage. Remember to hold tight to memories for comfort. Lean on your friends for strength, and always remember how much you are cared about. Perhaps they are not the stars, but rather openings in heaven where the love of our lost ones pours through and shines down upon us to let us know they are happy. Our thoughts and prayers are with you always!! Love, Pat and Rick

October 6 at 8:35 AM



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**Janet M. Borchers** posted:

Dear Barbara- No more lonely days and nights of waiting, Thomas has gone home. I know how hard this has been for you and your family seeing the one you love linger in a state of helplessness. God was good in that he didn't make Thomas wait so very long. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. I love you and I'm here if you need anything.

October 6 at 7:36 AM



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