



Thomas Harold Biggar

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Thomas Harold Biggar passed away peacefully with his loving family by his side on Tuesday, August 3, 2021 while under Hospice Care at Joanne's House in Bonita Springs, Florida. He was 75 years old.

Tom was born on August 23, 1945 in Scranton, Pennsylvania, the proud son to Melba V. (Hoover) and Thomas M. Biggar. He grew up in Old Forge, Pennsylvania and graduated from Old Forge High School in 1963, following which he enlisted in the United States Navy. Tom served in the Navy as an Air Crewman in Patrol Squadron 24 for four years and achieved the rank of ADJ-3 before being honorably discharged. Upon concluding his military service, Tom enrolled at the Pennsylvania State Police Academy in Hershey, Pennsylvania and graduated in November, 1968 and was thereafter sworn into the department as a State Trooper, proudly serving for 23 years until his retirement in 1991.

Tom married Deborah A. (McDonald) Hoover on Christmas Day in 1995 and the couple enjoyed a happy marriage for over 25 years. Tom was also a man of faith and was an active member of the United Methodist Church. He was a lifelong fan of Penn State Football, proudly and often wearing the team colors of blue and white. Tom was also an avid handyman who enjoyed traveling, golfing and riding on patrol in his golf cart during retirement. Throughout his life Tom was an avid outdoorsman who especially enjoyed time spent hunting and fishing. Most of all, however, he cherished his family and treasured the time he spent with his wife, children and grandchildren.

Sadly, Tom was preceded in death by his parents Thomas M. and Melba V. Biggar.

Tom is survived by his loving wife Deborah of Fort Myers, Florida; his sons Thomas Biggar (Kellee) of Olney, Maryland and Chad Biggar (Tacy) of Danville, Pennsylvania; his stepsons Joshua Hoover of Chandler, Arizona and Nicolas Hoover of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania; his sisters Bobbye Biggar Evans of Taylor, Pennsylvania and Nancy Biggar Fray of Winston-Salem, North Carolina; grandchildren Thomas V. Biggar, Sydney E. Biggar and Abby J. Biggar all of Olney, Maryland. Tom also leaves behind many nieces and nephews, numerous extended family members and countless others who were proud to call him a friend.

A Funeral Service for Tom will be celebrated by Pastor Dennis Lewis of Faith United Methodist Church at 3:00 PM on Tuesday, August 10, 2021 inside the Chapel at Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home, 1589 Colonial Boulevard, Fort Myers, Florida 33907, (239) 936-0555. Guests will be received for Visitation for two hours preceding this service beginning at 1:00 PM also inside the funeral home chapel. At the conclusion of these ceremonies, Military Honors for Tom will be rendered by the United States Navy Honor Guard.



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Tom had two requests for his memorial service and the family requests your assistance in honoring these final wishes. First, please attend his service wearing your Penn State fan clothing or dress in the team colors of blue and white. Second, in lieu of sending flowers, please instead make a donation in his memory to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123, (800) 227-2345 or through the internet at:-
<https://www.cancer.org/involved/donate.html>

For those who can not attend the family invites you to join by clicking the link below and joining the live stream. The live stream will be open and able to join at 2:50PM for the 3PM service.

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To share a story or photo, leave a tribute or to offer condolences to the family at this difficult time, please visit Tom's memorial webpage at www.fortmyersmemorial.com and sign his guestbook.



Events

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Visitation

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

1:00 PM - 3:00 PM ET

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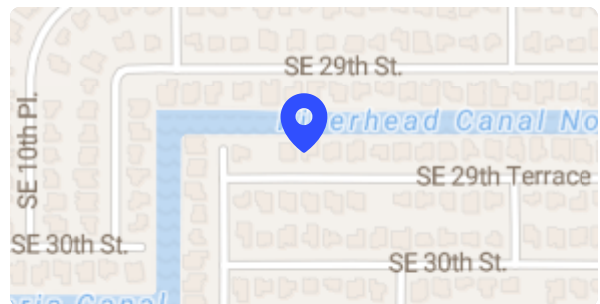


Funeral Service

Tuesday, August 10, 2021

3:00 PM ET

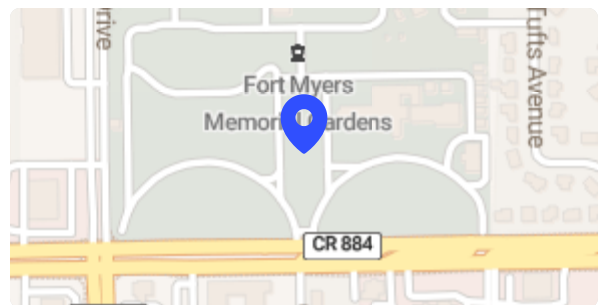
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Military Honors

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Virgil D. Jellison, Psp, Erie, Retired posted:

I recently learned that Tom had passed away and I wanted to send my heartfelt sympathy to his family. Tom and I were classmates when we entered the PSP Academy on August 15, 1968. Although we went in many different directions upon graduation, and often never personally connected again, we were forever connected as Brothers through the inseparable fraternal bond of the PSP. May his family find comfort and peace in Tom's beautiful memories and in knowing that he will forever hold a place in the hearts of his PSP family. Rest in peace, Brother. With deepest sympathy...and may God Bless.

August 28 at 7:52 AM



Barry And Carole Hambley posted:

You and your family will be in our daily prayers. May you find comfort in the wonderful memories you all shared with Tom. He was a very special man and we were blessed to have him in our lives.

August 11 at 12:54 PM



Joe & Joanne Mccolgan posted:

Our condolences go out to Debbie and the family. Everyone who knew Tom will miss his his big smile and laughter. May he rest in peace. Joe & Joanne McColgan

August 10 at 6:29 AM



Ellen Minnier shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

To Deb and Family, So very sorry for your loss. So many childhood and Florida memories include Tom. He was such a joyous and honorable soul. My prayers are with you. And since dad is no good with tech here is a message from him as well as some photos he wanted to share. (From Barry Hambley) So many memorable times with my brother in arms. He was one of the truest patriots I have ever met. As a former Naval Officer, colleague and friend, I offer one final salute with dignity and honor. Go with God my Brother.



August 5 at 6:17 AM



Jim McDonald posted:

Joseph L McDonald To Debbie and the family so sorry for your loss May God Bless Tom and all of You! Love Dad

August 9 at 11:25 AM



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DC

Debby And Dave Chenoweth lit a candle in honor of Thomas.

August 9 at 4:34 AM



CT

Carroll Jones Terruso posted:

So sorry to learn of Tom's passing. May your happy memories sustain you during this difficult time. Rest In Peace Tom. God bless.

August 8 at 10:01 PM

EY

Eric Yankalunas posted:

Sorry to hear about Tom's loss he was a good friend and we went through alot on the police force at Dushore Pa Sincerely Joe Yankalunas

August 7 at 8:45 AM

CS

Colleen Shultz lit a candle in honor of Thomas.

August 7 at 3:58 AM



TR

Tom Durilla. Psp Troop M. Ret. posted:

Rest In Peace Brother Tom.

August 6 at 12:45 PM

DB

Derek Batz posted:

Tom was a good friend and he cared sincerely about people. Thank you Tom.

August 6 at 11:13 AM



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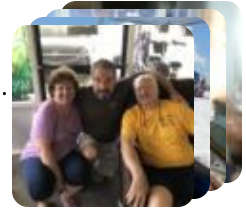
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Dawn Mcdonald shared 4 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Jim and I shared many vacations with Tom and Deb. We had so many fun times. Jim and I will miss Tom, he was always up for good times.



August 5 at 6:17 AM

DB **Deborah Biggar** August 6 at 11:40 AM
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Nick Hoover lit a candle in honor of Thomas.



August 6 at 7:57 AM



Bonnie Fedorchak posted:

I am sad for all of the family. Much love and prayers for all of you.

August 6 at 5:16 AM



Denise D Barr posted:

MrsFray you have our deepest condolences and our thoughts and prays are with you friend.

August 5 at 8:40 PM



John Mauro posted:

My deepest sympathy to Tom's family. He was a fellow Academy classmate and sailor. May he rest in peace.

August 5 at 6:21 PM



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Holly Kaehn posted:

My deepest sympathies to the entire family. I am glad he is no longer in pain. "Dad" helped teach me the ropes in the vice unit at Troop P. I know he loved PSP, but more than that Penn State and more than that his family. Prayers, love and hugs.

August 5 at 2:37 PM



Tim Fretz posted:

Rest in peace Tom, You always had a smile on your face and always fun to be with at the police academy. You also did a fine job as a driver in our wedding in October 1969. My condolences to your family. Tim Fretz K9-15

August 5 at 1:55 PM



Paul Bivens posted:

Sorry to hear of Tom's passing, but he will be in no pain and with Jesus. Tom and I were in the same room at the State Police Academy for our training. He taught me the correct way to use a mop. He was Navy while I was Air Force. I liked Tom. Very sorry to his family. Paul Bivens

August 5 at 11:55 AM

DB **Deborah Biggar** August 6 at 11:39 AM


DN **David A. Nickey** August 5 at 12:36 PM
Tom was a great friend and help from the time I first met him at Lost Lake. He helped me get established in my vacation home and even helped me out once in my permanent home. Tom and Debbie were there for me when my first wife passed away. I enjoyed my visits with him and Deb in their Florida. Memories Prayers for comfort.



Deborah Biggar lit a candle in honor of Thomas.



August 5 at 11:41 AM



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PM

Pam Musser posted:

Deb and family, I am so sorry to hear the news. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family. Pam Elchak Musser

August 5 at 10:36 AM

JU

Judy posted:

I've known Tom for over 40 years, we quickly became good friends with fond memories, then he married my cousin Debbie and he became family with more fond memories, then they moved to Florida and we became neighbors and you guessed it, with many more fond memories. Tom you will be dearly missed and Debbie please know we're there for you anytime you need us. All our love. Scott and Judy Miller

August 5 at 9:55 AM

RT

Rich Tinneny posted:

Dear Deb and Family: So sorry. Please accept Lee and my condolences. Will remember him at Mass. Rich & Lee Tinneny

August 5 at 9:02 AM

CF

Carol Bahr Ferrell posted:

Prayers and hugs on the passing of Tom to you and your families. Tom was a great guy always had a smile. When he was at Laporte he did a great job serving Sullivan County! God Bless everyone. Carol Bahr Ferrell Dushore, Pa.

August 5 at 8:49 AM

PW

Pat Wastella August 5 at 1:51 PM

Condolences to the family. Fair Winds and Following Seas classmate.

KM

Kristin (Ruddy) Montgomery posted:

No doubt such a big personality will be missed. Tom worked for me collecting data during a reassessment, he drove me a little nuts but I did enjoy his sense of humor, we did laugh often. My thoughts are with you.

August 5 at 7:54 AM



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Fort Myers Memorial Gardens shared an album called **Memories Album**.



August 5 at 6:25 AM



Michael Barbuti August 5 at 11:32 AM

RIP Brother, PSP



Connie Devens August 5 at 7:47 AM

A great man who will be very sadly missed. ❤️



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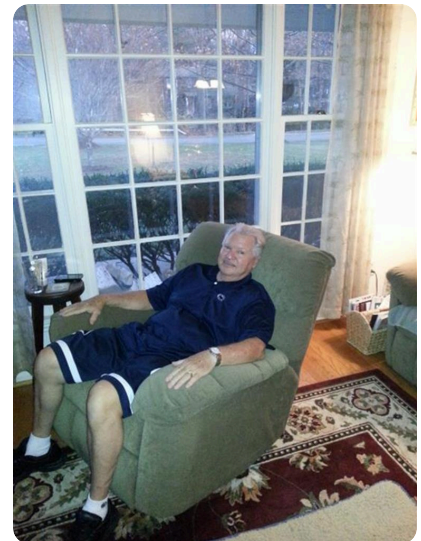
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August 6 at 10:42 AM





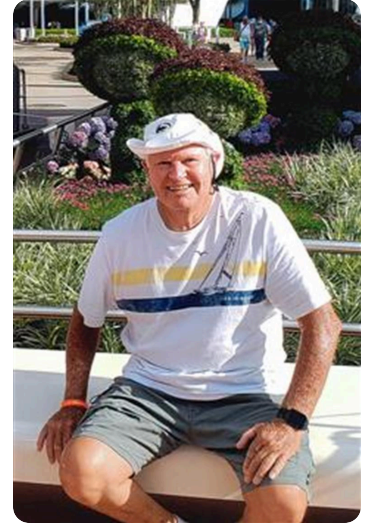
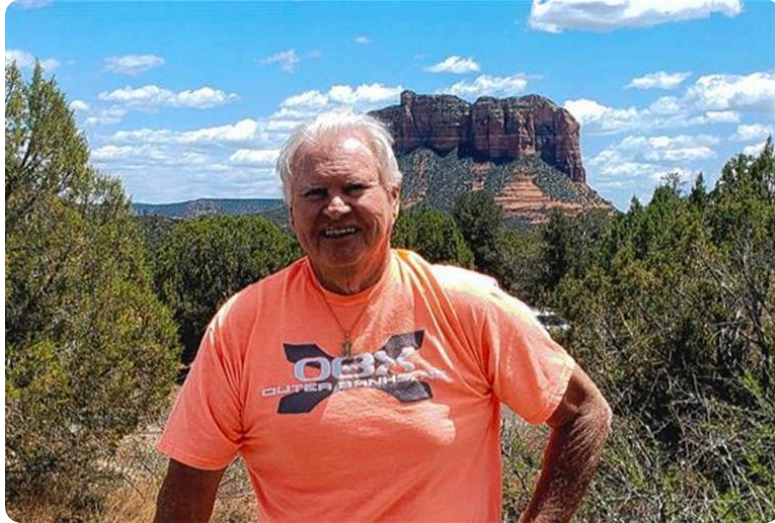
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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Thomas by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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