



## Thomas Adrian Dixon

July 26, 1934 - January 11, 2017

Thomas A. Dixon, age 82, died peacefully on January 11, 2017. He was born in Toledo, Ohio, on July 26, 1934, to Herman and Viola (Carter) Dixon.

Tom grew up in the “Old Darby” neighborhood, a member of Immaculate Conception Parish. Tom received his “honorary” Libbey High School diploma, bestowed by Congresswoman Marcy Kaptur to those individuals who left high school early to enlist in the military. He proudly served his country in the United States Navy during the Korean War. Following Honorable discharge from the Navy, Tom went to work on the New York Central Railroad. Work on the railroad and the friendships gained were an important part of his life.

In 1954, Tom married Gladys Jeakle, his high school sweetheart. Together, they raised six children in a household where there was rarely a dull moment.

Tom and Glad were also blessed with countless valued and longstanding friendships, many dating back to grade school. Tom retired from Conrail in 1993, and after those years of crazy railroad work hours, retirement was a fun and carefree time. Together, they enjoyed family and friends, long vacations, and spoiling their grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Tom will be remembered for his love of golf (1998 hole-in-one!) and Notre Dame football, being the life of the party, and his general shenanigans. Suffice to say that there will be stories to share for many, many years.

Tom is survived by Gladys, his wife of 62 years, and children, Sue Meadows (Jim), Patti Hayden (Mike Rahn), Laura Dixon (daughter-in-law), Diane (Jim) McCarthy, Mary Giannini, and Jim (Cheryl) Dixon. Grandchildren include Emily

(Josh) Wagy, Melissa Meadows, Jim Meadows, Steven Hayden, Becky (Isaiah) Beckman, Kerry (Dalton) Hendrickson, Tom Dixon, Anne (Tom) Voutsos, Robert McCarthy, Grace Giannini, and Carlyne Giannini. Great-grandchildren include Kaley Wagy and Hayden and Makena Beckman. Tom was predeceased by his parents, sister, Barbara Jean, and son, Thomas Edward.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd. on Sunday, January 15, from 2-8 p.m. with a Scripture Service at 7 p.m. The funeral will begin in the mortuary on Monday, January 16, at 9:30 a.m., followed by Mass at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church at 10 a.m. Burial will be at Resurrection Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be given to St. Vincent DePaul. Please view Tom's memorial video tribute and leave a condolence message for the family at [CoyleFuneralHome.com](http://CoyleFuneralHome.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Avenue  
Toledo, OH 43615

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN **15**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral Home  
1770 S. Reynolds Road  
Toledo, OH 43614

## Funeral

JAN **16**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help  
2255 Central Grove  
Toledo, OH 43614

# Tribute Wall

LF

“ *I'm Sorry to hear about the loss of your husband. Linda Fravel (Neighbor)*

Linda Fravel - January 26, 2017 at 06:58 AM

AW

“ *Take comfort in your memories, Dixon Family!*

Amy Wexler - January 16, 2017 at 09:39 PM

BM

“ *RIP TAD.*

*Bob McCarthy*

Bob McCarthy - January 16, 2017 at 01:19 PM

MC

“ *The Cairl family sends their condolences to the Dixon family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to you on your loss. From your old neighbor. Michael T Cairl.*

Michael T Cairl - January 15, 2017 at 04:51 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas Adrian Dixon.*



January 15, 2017 at 03:47 PM

CV

“ 1 file added to the album VIDEO TRIBUTE



COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - January 15, 2017 at 08:15 AM

RH

“ I can't recall the actual first time I met Tom. We both worked for Penn Central (later it was Conrail) . He was always a ton of fun to be around and shared his family and their friendship with everyone including me. I spent many happy times at his home and other places with he and his family. I am sorry he is gone. I hope to see him in the future when it is my time.

Rodger Hang - January 14, 2017 at 10:55 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas Adrian Dixon.



January 14, 2017 at 04:23 PM

CV

“ 1 file added to the album VIDEO TRIBUTE



COYLE FUNERAL HOME VIDEOS - January 14, 2017 at 11:45 AM

PL

“ Gladys,  
So sorry to hear of Tom's passing. Being from a New York Central family myself, I can relate to "those crazy work hours". Hope you and your family can remember all the happy times. God Bless.  
Paul and Sherri Leininger

Paul Leininger - January 14, 2017 at 10:29 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Adrian Dixon.



January 14, 2017 at 09:49 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas Adrian Dixon.



January 13, 2017 at 09:19 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas Adrian Dixon.



January 13, 2017 at 04:32 PM

SW

“ To Glady and the Dixon family we are very sad to hear of your loss. We pray that you find peace and comfort through the grace of God. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Godspeed Tom.

Sue & Tom Wierzbicki

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Sue & Tom Wierzbicki - January 13, 2017 at 04:09 PM

BD

Dear Glady and family,  
We are very saddened to hear about Tom. May he Rest In Peace and may perpetual light shine upon him. With love and prayers, Bob and Maggie Dame

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Bob Dame - January 14, 2017 at 08:37 AM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Thomas Adrian Dixon.



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January 13, 2017 at 03:53 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Adrian Dixon.



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January 13, 2017 at 03:06 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas Adrian Dixon.*



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January 13, 2017 at 02:57 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas Adrian Dixon.*



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January 13, 2017 at 01:21 PM



“ *Jeff Your purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Thomas Adrian Dixon.*



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**Jeff Your** - January 13, 2017 at 12:25 PM



“ *Sincerest condolences to the Dixon family - friends of Jim*

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**Jeff Your** - January 13, 2017 at 11:19 AM