



Rev Thomas Alfred Wilson

August 27, 1928 - October 30, 2013

Thomas A. Wilson, age 85 of Toledo, passed away on October 30, 2013 at Hospice of Northwest Ohio, Toledo.

He was born to Thomas and Leona Wilson on August 27, 1928 in Detroit, MI. He was a graduate of Western High School in 1946, Capital University in 1950 and the Evangelical Lutheran Theological Seminary in 1954. He interned at Zion Lutheran Church in Sandusky under Rev. Ted Stellhorn, Jr. In 1951, he married Virginia "Gini" Knupke. In 1954, he was ordained at Divinity Lutheran Church by his father Rev. Thomas M. Wilson and his uncle, Rev. Paul Wilson. In July 1954 he was installed at St. Peter Lutheran Church and pastored there for over 28 years. He and Gini raised 2 children. He married Frances Johns Tank in 1978. He was the pastor at Bethel Lutheran Church for 15 years until the time of his retirement in 1998. He served as an interim pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Olivet Lutheran Church, St John's Lutheran Church, Trinity Lutheran, Riga, MI, Zion Lutheran, Ottawa Lake, MI and Reformation Lutheran Church. He was a member of the Kiwanis Club, served on the boards of the Luther Home of Mercy and the United Way. Tom was devoted to his church. He liked to volunteer, and he loved mowing the lawn and camping. He was preceded in death by his wife, Gini; parents; siblings, David, Ruth, Richard and Robert. He is survived by his loving wife of 35 years, Frances "Flip"; children, Margaret "Peggy" (Rev. Matthew) Deames, Tom (Janet) Wilson; step-children, Tim (Becky) Tank, Jeff (Jackie) Tank; grandchildren, Jason (Stephanie) Tank, Brian (Marian) Deames, Justin (Kerri) Tank, Katelyn

Deames, Nichole Wilson, Austin Tank and Kyle Tank, siblings, Marion Kleman, Walter Wilson, brother-in-law, Dave Taylor; sister-in-law, Vera Wilson; daughter-in-law, Caryn Wilson as well as many nieces and nephews.

Family and friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home, 1770 S. Reynolds Rd., on Saturday, November 2nd from 4-7 p.m. & on Sunday, November 3rd from 12-6 p.m. Funeral services will be held on Monday, November 4th at St. Peter (Blackberry) Lutheran Church, 17877 W. State Rt. 579, Martin, OH 43445, at 11 a.m. where the family will begin receiving friends at 10 a.m. Interment will follow at Elliston Cemetery.

The family would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Hospice of Northwest Ohio.

Memorials may take the form of contributions to Hospice of Northwest Ohio or a church or charity of the donor's choice.

Cemetery Details

Elliston

Elliston, OH

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 2. 4:00 AM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral and Cremation Services
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614
(419) 865-1295
<https://www.coylefuneralhome.com>

Visitation

NOV 3. 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Coyle Funeral and Cremation Services
1770 S. Reynolds Road
Toledo, OH 43614
(419) 865-1295
<https://www.coylefuneralhome.com>

Funeral

NOV 4. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Peter (Blackberry) Lutheran Church
17877 W. State Rt 579
Martin, OH 43445

Tribute Wall

LI

“ Dear Wilson Family and Friends,
I am so very sorry to hear of the loss of your dear loved one, and offer you my sincere condolences. Many have found comfort and hope in knowing that the Bible assures us: “Jehovah is close to the brokenhearted; He saves those who are crushed in spirit.” (Psalm 34:18) God’s holy spirit, or active force, can equip you with “power beyond what is normal” to go from one day to the next.(2 Corinthians 4:7) It is my sincere hope that this gives you a measure of solace in this most difficult time. My family wishes you and yours peace.

Lisa - November 21, 2013 at 02:41 PM

RJ

“ Uncle Tom will always be remembered with a warm smile on his face. I know he made my Aunt Flip very proud to be his wife. Uncle Tom brought joy to the good time celebrations in our family and words of healing during the grieving times in our family. Uncle Tom instilled a sense of renewed faith in the Almighty for us when my father was repeatedly gravely ill with organ failures. I am forever thankful to him and Aunt Flip for those comforting times, helping us as my father pulled through each surgery. I was Baptized by Uncle Tom and thank him for a strong faith that continues within me to this day. All the Johns’ Boys love you Aunt Flip and we will keep you in our prayers.
Randy Johns

Randy Johns - November 03, 2013 at 03:19 PM

CH

“ Our deepest sympathy and love to the family. You are all in our prayers and thoughts. Carolyn and Jack Hutchinson, a cousin. I am Earl Wilson's daughter

carolyn Hutchinson - November 03, 2013 at 03:08 PM

FJ

“ Pastor Tom Wilson has had a tremendous influence on our family, from our meeting when I was 4 through some amazing faith-formation years at Blackberry to his dear friendship over the years. I loved his dynamic, dramatic Lenten services and I didn't want confirmation classes to end. He confirmed me, married John and me, commissioned us to serve in Cameroon, baptized our first daughter Eve. He was always a patient wise man with words of advice and that cute chuckle. He was a true example of dedication to service, kindness to all and humble sainthood.
Faye Graening Jaeger

Faye Jaeger - November 03, 2013 at 09:07 AM

JK

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Janice Kelly - November 02, 2013 at 01:52 PM

JK

A wonderful man (& uncle). He will be greatly missed!

Janice Kelly - November 02, 2013 at 01:54 PM

JT

“ 1 file added to the album *Dancing*



Justin Tank - November 02, 2013 at 01:00 AM

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“ *Materials Engineering Department Group 21 purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Rev Thomas Alfred Wilson.*



Materials Engineering Department Group 21 - November 01, 2013 at 02:56 PM

SJ

“ *Satoshi Okochi, Ankil Shah, and Dawna Johns purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Rev Thomas Alfred Wilson.*



Satoshi Okochi, Ankil Shah, and Dawna Johns - November 01, 2013 at 02:56 PM



“ *Fall Fantasia was purchased for the family of Rev Thomas Alfred Wilson.*



November 01, 2013 at 12:48 PM