



## Thomas S. Buckingham

February 1, 1949 - July 15, 2025

Thomas Samuel Buckingham, 76, of Port Huron, MI, was freed from Dementia on July 15, 2025 surrounded by the love of his family. Born on February 1, 1949 to Samuel and Dorothy, Tom was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend.

Tom proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Vietnam War from 1968 to 1970. After his military service, he married his lifelong partner, Leslie Ayotte in October 1971. He spent many dedicated years working as a postal worker, earning the respect and friendship of those around him through his steady presence and warm demeanor. Tom had a deep love of golf and spent many happy days on the course, enjoying a cigar and his friendships at The Elks.

He is survived by his loving wife, Leslie Buckingham; his children, Travis Buckingham and Shana (Chris) Boggs; brother Jack (Pam) Buckingham, sister Jayne Snivley, sister-in-law Lisa Buckingham as well as many nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his two granddaughters, Olivia and Carsen, who were bright lights in his life; and his best friend of many years, Sandy Korich, whose friendship brought him endless laughter and brotherhood.

He will be remembered for his devotion to his loved ones, his service to his

country, his humor, and genuine kindness to all. His legacy lives on in the hearts of all who were lucky enough to love him.

Thank you for the care and support given by Lakeshore Woods during his stay.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Tom's memory to <https://www.cdr.rfmh.org/donate-now/> to support dementia research and prevention.

Services will be private.

Arrangements in care of Jowett Funeral Home - Port Huron.

# Tribute Wall

JT

“ We both met Tom 60 years ago. Just knowing him enriched our lives. We miss you, Major Tom. Love, Janet & Jim



Janet Thomas - July 28, 2025 at 08:04 PM

EP

“ Dear Leslie and family...  
My sincerest condolences to you all and I'm  
Keeping you in my thoughts and in my  
prayers, Leslie. ♡♡♡



May Tom rest in Heavenly peace.

Elizabeth Pelton - July 25, 2025 at 10:46 AM

MC

“ Leslie we were so sorry to hear of Tom's passing. Tom was always so full of Life & Fun. He will be Greatly Missed. We Send You & Your Family many Hugs & Prayers.


Mary Ann & Jim Cowden - July 24, 2025 at 08:30 AM

CL

“ Tom was such a good man. How lucky to have gotten to know him and Leslie both. Thinking of you and your family Leslie ❤️

Courtney Lester - July 22, 2025 at 08:31 PM

KG

“ Leslie-thinking of you during this time 


Katie Greene - July 21, 2025 at 11:17 PM

AC

“ It was a true honor to get to know Tom! Leslie I am thinking of you during this time I am going to miss seeing your smiling face daily!

Ashlee Callahan - July 21, 2025 at 09:54 AM

TL

“ Thinking of you Leslie!!! 

Tracy Lepak - July 21, 2025 at 08:31 AM

CG

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Tom was a great guy and an awesome cousin. Leslie I remember when you guys lived on Sparling rd I use to come over to visit you both are kind and warm people I love you guys and your in my thoughts and prayers!

cindy genaw - July 20, 2025 at 09:45 AM

AC

“ So sorry Leslie and family. I have so many great memories of golfing at Holly Meadows and other courses with you and Tom. Loved when you lived down the road from Dan and I and we could stop and party on your deck. We sure had some great times together. He will be missed.

Andie Courtney - July 19, 2025 at 09:04 AM

RT

“ To Leslie and family, we are so sorry to hear of Tom’s passing but but praying his memories of him will give you comfort. I worked with Tom for many years and we also enjoyed many golf games together. He was kind and fun to be around. He will be missed.

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Ron Van Treese - July 18, 2025 at 11:06 AM

MB

“ Sorry to hear this news Leslie. I know it has been a tough road for Tom.  
Enjoyed my memories playing golf with Tom at the Elks.

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Michael Bacheller - July 17, 2025 at 10:51 PM

JB

“ Jill B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas S. Buckingham.

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Jill B. - July 17, 2025 at 08:45 PM



“ Garden Accent - "Those we have held..." was purchased for the family of Thomas S. Buckingham.



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July 17, 2025 at 07:48 PM



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RB

“ Oh we are so very sorry Leslie and kids..we loved Tom, he was Randy's golf partner for many years, at Eks and Holly Meadows... love all of you 📄📄📄📄🙏🙏🙏🙏

Randy and Bevjohnston - July 17, 2025 at 06:01 PM

BW

“ To Leslie his children and grandchildren. Words can not express how sorry I am to hear of Tom's passing. I know he is in a far better place and you are left with a huge hole in your lives. I am sending all of you air hugs and prayers. Bill and Sherry Wood

Bill and Sherry Wood - July 17, 2025 at 03:35 PM

JB

“ Leslie, Travis, Shana, and family, sending many great memories and much love from N.C. Tom was so genuine and loving to all, and we will miss his smile and laughter. Always here for you. Jeff, Jill, Emma, and Maie Blythe

Jill Blythe - July 17, 2025 at 02:13 PM

AS

“ With Tom at the Velspar in Florida 2017



Al Sturdevant - July 17, 2025 at 01:22 PM

PM

“ *Patricia Moore lit a candle in memory of  
Thomas S. Buckingham*



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**Patricia Moore** - July 17, 2025 at 12:32 PM