



Thomas P. Crosby

July 13, 1935 - April 8, 2023

Thomas “Tom” Pelton Crosby passed away peacefully in Columbus, OH, on April 8, 2023. Tom was born on July 13, 1935, in Lafayette, IN, to the late Irma and Byram Crosby. Tom is survived by his wife of 65 years, Nina and their two daughters, Mary Elizabeth Crosby and Joan Crosby Braun. In addition, he leaves behind granddaughters Maggie and Bailee Braun, along with his beloved furry grandson, Archie Braun; sister Helen (Gil) Churchill, brother Ed Crosby, brother-in-law George Mestousis; and nieces and nephews whom he cherished. Tom is preceded in death by his parents, sisters Carol May and Mary (George) Mestousis, and son-in-law Robert (Bob) Braun.

Tom grew up in Delphi, Indiana, and wore his roots proudly. Tom graduated from University of Alabama, which he attended on a full basketball scholarship. He was a member of the historical “The Rocket 8” team, and his accomplishments landed him into the prestigious Alabama A-Club. He was also an initiated member of Delta Tau Delta Fraternity. Tom and his wife raised their daughters in Cincinnati, OH, where it was “Roll Tide” on Saturday and “Go Bengals” on Sunday. He retired to Panama City Beach, Florida, at the Hombre Golf Club. Tom’s commitment to his golf passion is perfectly exemplified by his 2 hole-in-ones, a feat very few have. He was a devout Catholic man his entire life and religiously attended St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church in Powell, OH.

Those who knew Tom know that one cannot simply capture his incredible life on a page. He loved creating memories and loved the people who were a part of it even more. To know Tom Crosby was also to know all his friends. Tom was so proud of his life, and he had the people and stories to show for it. He chose to create a lifetime of adventure, love, and joy and led by example to encourage others to do the same.

Mass of Christian Burial will be Celebrated at 11:00 am on Saturday, April 22, 2023 at St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church, 10700 Liberty Road, Powell, Ohio.

The family has requested, in lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Special Olympics or to St Jude Children's Research Hospital

<https://www.stjude.org/>

<https://support.specialolympics.org/>

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

9571 North High Street
Lewis Center, OH 43035

Tribute Wall



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas P. Crosby.*



April 20, 2023 at 01:11 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas P. Crosby.*



April 12, 2023 at 04:40 PM



“ *For those I do not know, I worked with Tom at Cincinnati Fruit during his time there. Tom was a really special guy! He said what was on his mind, and did not hold back. He was "on the road" 50% of the time, and I always looked forward to his time in the office. Tom and our boss Maurice Dowling had lunch daily at the Century Inn. I often told off-color jokes and got a good laugh from Tom. Usually after lunch Tom would come into my office and say, "did you see that look on Maurice's face after your joke?" My answer was "no, I didn't look as I was too busy laughing with you. I would be remiss if I didn't comment on Tom's first priority - his love for his family, Nina and the girls whom he often talked about. He will be sorely missed.*

Fred Straus - April 12, 2023 at 04:14 PM

LC

Thank you Mr. Straus for your fun memories. My Dad loved your annual Santa Claus cards with Mrs. Straus and your family. Always a surprise and treat! My family sends our best to you and yours! 😊

lisa crosby - April 14, 2023 at 05:21 AM

JB

Loved this Mr. Strauss, thank you so much. Ditto what Lisa said on the cards, but as I recall the off color jokes continued as recently as a few weeks ago! My mom read one of your emails to Dad when he was in the hospital...Lol!! So many fond memories of both you and Mrs. Strauss! Love Joan

Joan Crosby Braun - April 15, 2023 at 09:00 AM



“ Love you PaPa.



Maggie Braun - April 11, 2023 at 05:52 PM

LC

“ Thanks to all for reading about my Dad and celebrating His life! I wanted to add that He was a great cook, loved His grill, and, loved great food! Never seen anyone enjoy a great steak like my Dad! Loved My Mom's pimiento cheese for Master's Sunday! Football in the Fall always a big spread for an all day nosh. It was His yummy moment! He also loved his jazz music and played it loud!!! He had amazing friends that shared His passions and they had big, big fun over the years, all lovely people that he was blessed to have in His life. He would be the first to say most adamantly that He was most blessed for His family. Possibly the best line ever "Are you going to eat a peach or play cards?" in a Seven C's Euchre tournament. No mercy competition Classic Dad! I am certain His smile, His laugh, and His fishing skills and bait selection will stay with us all! Lisa💕

lisa crosby - April 11, 2023 at 04:58 PM

EC

Great tribute Lisa. Sad losing my big brother. Love you.

Ed Crosby - April 13, 2023 at 03:33 PM

BY

We will think and pray for the Cosby family on Saturday as you celebrate the life of Thomas Cosby in mass. The wonderful positive memories of Tom's life we will all take with us all long into the future.

Barbara Yosick - April 21, 2023 at 10:07 PM