



Thomas A. Magers

January 29, 1943 - August 20, 2013

Thomas A. Magers, 70, passed away Tuesday, August 20, 2013 at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge, IL. He was born January 29, 1943 in Elwood, IN, was a former resident of South Bend and has lived in Libertyville since 1994. He received his Bachelors of Theology from Our Lady of the Lake Seminary in Wauwausee, IN, also attended Iowa State University, received his Masters in chemistry from Ball State University and did additional course work and deeply enjoyed the University of Notre Dame. He was a member of the Crosslife Evangelical Free Church in Libertyville and was a retired biochemist from Abbott Laboratories, developing a number of patents. Surviving are his wife of 37 years, Marlene "Marti" Magers; 9 children, Paul Michael Johnson of Grand Rapids, MI, Anthony (Shelley) Johnson of Jacksonville, FL, Lara (Kurtt) Matthys of North Liberty, IN, Todd (Elizabeth) Magers of Indianapolis, IN, Kerry Magers of Terre Haute, IN, Rebekah Magers of Mishawaka, IN, Lewis Magers of Chicago, IL, Amy (Dwight) Rhine of York, PA and Daniel Magers of Libertyville; 18 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren; a brother, John (Tanya) Magers; 3 sisters, Mary Ellen (Wes) Krivonen, Jude Magers (Donna Watzke) and Margaret Rose (Tony) Suveg; and also by a sister-in-law, Peggy Magers. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Diane "Dee" Magers in 1975 and also by his brother, Kevin Magers. Visitation will be from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. Friday, Aug. 23 at the Burnett-Dane Funeral Home Ltd., 120 W. Park Ave. (Route 176, one block west of Milwaukee Ave.), Libertyville. Funeral services will be at 11:00 a.m. Sat. Aug. 24 at Crosslife Evangelical Free

Church, 431 W. Austin Ave. Libertyville. An interment service will be at 11:00 a.m. Monday, Aug. 26 at Sumption Prairie Cemetery in South Bend, IN. Memorial contributions can be made to Crosslife Evangelical Free Church and to the family for his son Daniel Hayden Magers continuing care fund. For information, 847-362-3009 or sign the guest book at www.burnettdane.com.

Tribute Wall

BE

“ *Marty, we share your sorrow for such a wonderful husband, father, and amazing man who loved so much. Know you are in our prayers!* ”

Bill & Kate Watzke Engler Engler - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

DP

“ *I remember Tom as a very kind and good person. My sincere condolences to his entire family.* ”

Dan Prieshoff - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

EK

“ *A godly man who blessed our lives and will be missed. We rejoice in knowing he is in the Master's presence.* ”

Ed and Joyce Ketterling - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

JP

“ *Jude, so sorry to learn of your brother's death. Know you will be remembered in prayer as you and your family grieve. Janet & Brendan* ”

Janet Peyerworth - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

CM

“ *Tom, I'm going to really miss those long phone calls and your advice and comfort.* ”

Christopher Mosier - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

KW

“ *Marti, I am so sorry to hear of Tom's passing. Sending my prayers and hugs!*

Kathy Windsor - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

JG

“ *Marty and family.
The Gabrich family sends their sympathy in the loss of Tom. Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. We are thankful for all the memories of your wonderful loving family and all that we did together in South Bend. We have missed you since your moved, but kept in touch through some of your family members in South Bend. We will be at the interment. May God bless you and keep you safe and send you his peace.*

JoAnn & Gary Gabrich - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

DF

“ *A great man who always welcomed me into his home when I attended Notre Dame with his sons Mike and AJ. I vividly recall the warm smile of his and how he would enjoy chatting about ND. I am grateful for this as having traveled from Hawaii to attend Notre Dame there was not any family nearby. I know he is with God and my thoughts and prayers go out to his family and close friends.*

Domenic Prinzivalli and Family - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM



“ *Condolences and prayers to the Magers. Great man and family. God Bless.Mo and family*

June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

JM

“ My thoughts and prayers are with Tom's family. Knowing that he is at peace in his heavenly home as he sings "In Christ Alone." God bless you all!

Jean Mau - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

JA

“ Marti & Family! It was with great sadness I learned about Tom's passing away! Praying for God's comforting arms to surround you at this time! May you find peace in knowing he has reached his Heavenly home & we will be reunited with our loved ones one day! Oh, what a glorious day that will be! My thoughts & prayers are with you!

Jackie Abigt - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

SW

“ My thoughts and prayers are with the Magers family. Marty may God hold you close and help you thru this difficult time. Know you are loved and being prayed for by many.

Sherri Wenrick - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

SG

“ Marti & family- I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Tom was such a loving person, his light in this world will be missed! I feel very lucky to have had him as a friend, manager and colleague at Abbott. I hope you will be comforted by the many joyous memories you have with him. He often shared stories about you all and it was very evident how much he loved you. You are in my thoughts and prayers!Susi

Susi Geiger - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

DA

“ Thank you to the man and the rest of his family who just made me feel welcome each time I was in his / their company while at Notre Dame and hanging out with Michael, AJ or Lara. He / they contributed to my great experiences in South Bend and I am forever grateful. My prayers are with all of you. God Bless!!

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David Prinzivalli - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

JG

“ *Magers Family,*
Our deepest sympathy and prayers for comfort on the passing of Tom.

Jim and Donna Gregar - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

AA

“ *I will never forget growing up and having you as a second Dad, and all the fun times we had staying at your house. You were one of the most patient and caring person that I've even known. I am so blessed that I got the chance to have you in my life. You will be missed by dearly. Love you always.*

April Abbiehl - June 29, 2018 at 02:10 PM

DM

“ Tom continues to live on in my memory. We worked together at Bayer and I visited Tom at Abbott in later years. Marti and Tom complemented each other perfectly and they raised a wonderful family. My wife and I wish to remind Marti that although we are sad now, we will be together with Tom again to enjoy his presence.

Dan Morris - April 27, 2018 at 06:21 AM

TL

“ It does not seem like 19 years since you left South Bend nor does it seem possible that less than 10 days ago I was talking to Tom and your plans.
A great and trusting man who wanted the best for everyone else, but did not expect it for himself.

Tom & Bobbie Leland - April 27, 2018 at 06:21 AM

WK

“ I will miss Tom, as he was always a joy to talk to and have lively discussions on Notre Dame and life. A memory I would like to share with everyone is meeting Tom on the field at Notre Dame in September 1980 when Harry Oliver hit the 51 yard field goal to beat Michigan, Tom was jumping up and down and picked me up yelling "Can you believe this!". God's speed Tom, enjoy the season with Kevin and your Dad.

Walter "Jim" Keating - April 27, 2018 at 06:21 AM

WG

“ Dear Marti and Family: So very sorry to hear of the passing of Thomas. Our heart felt condolences. God's blessings to you and the family.
Walt and Nancy Gunn

Walt & Nancy Gunn - April 27, 2018 at 06:21 AM

KE

“ It was such a privilege to attend the beautiful service for such a wonderful individual. Tom truly radiated God's love and touched so many lives. May His spirit continue to flow through his family members and many friends. We certainly will miss you, Tom!

Kate & Bill Engler - April 27, 2018 at 06:21 AM

SL

“ Marti and Family- So sorry to learn of of Tom's passing. I will always remember his presence around the football teams at Adams. He was positive, encouraging and a great role model for all those who were fortunate enough to know him. God Bless.

Sean Lennon - April 27, 2018 at 06:21 AM

CS

“ I was surprised and sad to hear of Tom'spassing. I haven't seen him in over 50 yrs., but he was a fine young man in school and apparently continued that way thru life. Our condolences to John and his sisters from my brother Dave & me.from my brother Dave & me.

Charles Short - April 27, 2018 at 06:21 AM

KW

“ Dearest Marti and the entire Magers family---the Gootie girls and their families send their sympathy to each of you. Even though we are losing our wonderful old South G Street neighbors, may our memories of those glorious days stay in our hearts forever. Love to each and every one of you. God bless you, Tom.

*Brenda and Charles Bizila
Kathy and Mike Wilburn
Candy and Tim Goens*

Kathy Wilburn - April 27, 2018 at 06:21 AM

NN

“ Tom Magers' amazing spirit and goodness will be forever remembered by those who knew him.

Naresh Neelakantam - April 27, 2018 at 06:21 AM

DF

“ Tom and I entered the first grade together at Saint Joseph School in Elwood, Indiana. We were classmates through the fifth grade until we moved to Kokomo, Indiana. Later, around 1980, Tom and Marty visited my family in Lafayette, Indiana. Over the years, we did not keep in contact. But, I thought of Tom often considering him to be my oldest friend. I am very sad to learn of his passing.

Daneil Fogerty - April 27, 2018 at 06:21 AM

NB

“ My family's thoughts and prayers are with Tom's wife, family members and loved ones. I never met Tom, but knowing the quality and character of his sons Michael and Anthony he must have been a good man of strong faith.
May God comfort all of you!

Ned Bolcar

Ned Bolcar - August 23, 2013 at 12:00 AM