



Thomas R. "Tom" Oen

July 11, 1936 - February 12, 2022

Thomas R. "Tom" Oen, 85, of Wapakoneta, died 2:00 a.m., Sat. Feb. 12, 2022, at Springmeade Health Center, Tipp City, OH. He was born July 11, 1936, in Allen Co., OH, the son of the late Leonard and Edith (Hengstler) Oen. On June 10, 1961, he married Edna M. Bauer and she preceded him in death on July 31, 2004.

Survivors include,

3 children, Charlotte (Martin) McGinley, Centerville, OH,

Anita (Paul) Byrne, Wapakoneta,

Mark (Christa) Oen, Troy, OH;

7 grandchildren, Josh (Ashle Eason) Byrne, Joel (Kyla) Byrne, Kelly Byrne,

Elizabeth McGinley, Thomas McGinley, Kathryn Oen, Andrew Oen;

numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by 2 infant grandchildren, David Byrne and Grace McGinley, and siblings and spouses, Rosemary (Roland "Toots") Zwiebel and Charles (Rebecca) Oen.

Tom was a truck driver for 50 years, retiring from Scot Lad Foods, Lima, Ohio. He was a U.S. Army veteran and served in Germany. Tom was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Wapakoneta. His other memberships included the Fraternal Order of the Eagles, Aerie #691, the Wapakoneta VFW, Post #8445, American Legion, Post #330, and the former Elks Lodge #1170, all of Wapakoneta. Tom enjoyed collecting antique Wapakoneta skilletts and was a

member of the Wagner and Griswold Society. He also enjoyed fishing, traveling, and driving anywhere with the occasional stop for ice cream. However, he most enjoyed spending time with his family, especially his grandkids.

Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 a.m., Friday, Feb. 18, 2022, at the St. Joseph Catholic Church, with Fr. Sean Wilson officiating. Burial is to follow in the St. Joseph Cemetery, Wapakoneta, where military rites will be conducted by the Wapakoneta V.F.W. Post 8445. The family will receive friends 5-8 p.m., Thursday, Feb. 17, at the Eley Funeral Home & Crematory, St. Rt. 501, Wapakoneta. Memorial contributions may be directed to St. Joseph Catholic Church. Condolences may be expressed at www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com.

Cemetery Details

St. Joseph Cemetery

Wapakoneta, OH 45895

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 17. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Eley Funeral Home & Crematory
1102 Lincoln Ave.
Wapakoneta, OH 45895
eleyfuneralhome@gmail.com
<http://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com>

Service

FEB 18. 10:30 AM (ET)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
Pearl Street
Wapakoneta, OH 45895

Tribute Wall



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Thomas R. "Tom" Oen.*



February 16, 2022 at 09:14 AM



“ *Mike & Cheryl and family purchased the [Memorial Trees](https://www.eleyfuneralhomeandcrematory.com/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) for the family of Thomas R. "Tom" Oen.*

Mike & Cheryl and family - February 15, 2022 at 07:41 PM



“ *Mike, Patty, Bob Bauer purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Thomas R. "Tom" Oen.*



Mike, Patty, Bob Bauer - February 15, 2022 at 08:07 AM



“ *My condolences to my cousins Charlotte, Anita, and Mark and your families. Your dad will always be remembered by me as the fun uncle. A box of "Uncle Tom" pretzels by his chair, his joke about bird poop, and his belief that a squirrel ran off with one of his tools are a few of my memories of him. And I too remember that ice cream stops were often made*

Patty Bauer - February 14, 2022 at 02:46 PM

JH

“ Anita, Charlotte and Mark, my deepest sympathy to you and your families on the loss of your father. A gentle giant amongst us all. Tom was a classmate of mine and was a good friend to have known throughout my life. A laid back person but fun to be around. A hard worker throughout his life. Rest in peace Tom. The class of 1954 salutes you.

Jim Harrison

James Harrison - February 14, 2022 at 10:58 AM

JT

“ Joe & Connie Turner lit a candle in memory of Thomas R. "Tom" Oen



Joe & Connie Turner - February 13, 2022 at 09:30 AM