



## Mr Thomas Paul Krisher

May 25, 1953 - March 8, 2013

Age 59, passed from this world into God's eternal love and grace on March 8, 2013. He was born in Akron, OH on May 25, 1953, and is survived by his loving wife Maria; his parents, Bob and Jane; sister, Kathy; and is predeceased by his youngest sister, Diane.

Tom grew up and was educated not only in Ohio, but in Mexico, Colombia, and Germany due to his father's job with International BFGoodrich. He graduated from Kent State University with a BSN after serving in the U.S. Air Force in 1974 & 1975. Tom worked for the State of Ohio as a Registered Psychiatric Nurse and retired after 30 years of dedicated service.

Retirement brought Tom to Winter Park, FL in April 2007 to visit the Madsen's, old family friends he met while living in Bogota Colombia, in the mid 1960's. In Winter Park, he managed to sweep Maria, the 3rd of the Madsen siblings, off her feet. Both families had bonded and shared many memories of having lived as expatriates in a beautiful foreign land with a rich history.

Tom met Maria when she was 8 years old and he was 12. They were married 43 years later at the University Club Winter Park in December 2007. Tom was loved very much and embraced by the entire Madsen clan as a brother and a son.

He continued his nursing career in 2008 at the Florida Hospital Behavioral Center, and became steadfast friends with all his coworkers, and a valued part of their team. His patients' testimony gave evidence of his compassionate, diligent and kind-hearted care.

Tom fought a tough battle with liver cancer for the past couple of years and utilized both conventional chemotherapy and a strict regimen of alternative protocols. Due to his illness, he had to leave Florida Hospital after four years of service in May 2012, yet continued to have an outgoing personality and optimistic outlook.

Tom was an avid reader and lifelong collector of books. He was a motorcycle enthusiast who loved speed and the freedom of the open road, having learned to drive on the autobahn highways in Germany. He had a facility for technology and science, and was forever curious about “how things worked”. He had a love of music, played drums every chance he got, and loved the beach and the beauty of the great outdoors.

Tom had a kind heart and a respect for all of life. He will be missed by all who had the privilege of knowing him.

Arrangements are entrusted to DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory, 9001 N. Orlando Avenue, Maitland, Florida 32751. (407) 695-CARE(2273).

# Previous Events

## Service

MAR 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Margaret Mary Catholic Church  
526 North Park Ave  
Winter Park, FL 32789

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ *Tom was my dear friend and brother. The most intelligent man I've ever known. I'll never forget his BMW and Saber and Sam. I took that picture of Him and Saber on Village Street. Good memories. Godbless you Tom, my Mentor and Brother.*  
--Darrell McIntyre Canton

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**Darrell McIntyre** - April 27, 2022 at 09:00 PM

KK

“ Can you pass the word along to everyone who would like to join us?  
Thanks!

*We are having a celebration of Tom's life on:*

*When: Sunday, May 19th*

*Time: 2-6 pm – people are welcome to stay longer*

*Place: The old 1880 Buffalo Ranch in Hartville, 2545 Pontius Street NE  
Hartville, OH 44632*

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*What to bring:*

- 1. your memories and pictures of Tom;*
- 2. a dish to share;*
- 3. whatever you're going to drink*
- 4. a chair, in case we run out of them*

*FYI - this is a rustic location – no water or toilet. We'll have a porta-pot  
for a bathroom. There will be electricity.*

*We hope to see a lot of his friends there!*

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**Kathy Krisher** - May 10, 2013 at 01:15 PM

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**Kathy Krisher** - May 10, 2013 at 01:13 PM



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**Alisa Krisher** - April 19, 2013 at 01:54 AM



“ *Bob, Jane, Kathy and Maria, I am so very sorry for your loss of such an amazing, loving man, he finally found his soul mate with Maria and he was a wonderful friend. My heart goes out to you all!*

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**Alisa Krisher** - March 26, 2013 at 10:48 PM



“ *Dear Kathy and Mr. and Mrs. Krisher:*

*Thanks for thinking about putting Tom's obituary in the Massillon paper. I send my condolences to all of you - this is a rough road for all of you, and probably has not been easy for a long time.*

*I met Tom at Kent State Stark Campus when we were both attending school there. His quiet, unassuming and peaceful manner will never be forgotten. His personality was so genuine that people were immediately drawn to him. Rest in everlasting peace, Tom!*

*You are all in my prayers and thoughts.*

*Peggy Beck*

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**Peggy Beck** - March 26, 2013 at 08:30 PM

PY

“ I worked with Tom at Heartland Behavioral. My condolences to his family. He was a kind and caring person.

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Pat Yarnell - March 26, 2013 at 08:31 AM

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Kathy Krisher - March 21, 2013 at 12:35 PM

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“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



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Alisa Krisher - March 16, 2013 at 10:59 PM

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**Alisa Krisher** - March 16, 2013 at 10:43 PM

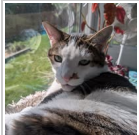
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“ *Alisa Krisher lit a candle in memory of Mr Thomas Paul Krisher*



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**Alisa Krisher** - March 16, 2013 at 10:33 PM



“ *I am so very sorry to Tom's family for their great loss. He was a kind and gentle person who will be greatly missed. I worked with Tom at Heartland Behavioral Healthcare for many years.*

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**Regina Downs Hoffman** - March 15, 2013 at 07:56 PM

PD

“ *My sincere condolences go out to Tom's family. I worked with Tom at HBH and I enjoyed working with him and missed him when he left*

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**Pamela Dennis** - March 15, 2013 at 12:14 PM

CM

*My heartfelt condolences to the Krisher family and all of Tom's friends. I have not seen Tom since high school and will always remember the older "annoying" brother who always seemed to be do things way cooler than his sister, Kathy and me. Like his family - he had a big heart and I think gave a lot in his life. Hugs to all of you...it's not easy I know. Love, Cindy Moriarty (Boor) from Canada.*

**Cindy Moriarty** - March 15, 2013 at 03:45 PM

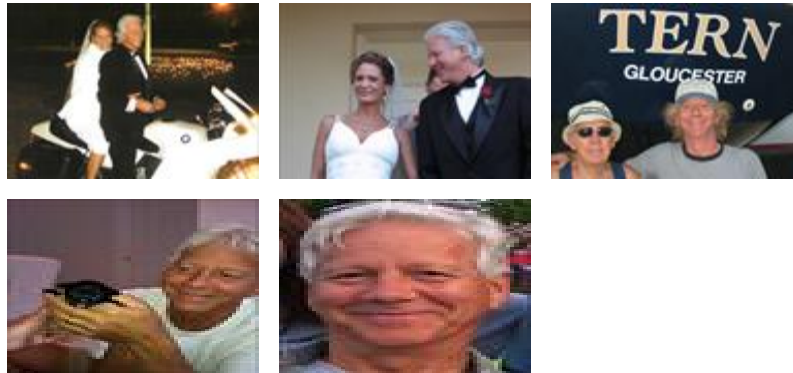


*I will miss Tom forever. A gentle man, with a grin that will always be in my memory. Bless you all.*

**Cat Givens** - March 21, 2013 at 04:38 PM

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**Kathy Krisher** - March 14, 2013 at 06:32 PM

BG

“ *I worked with Tom he was a great person kind gentle man w.who could make you laugh. So sorry to hear about him passing .He was a very special person . So sorry to the family and loved ones.He will be missed*

**Brenda Grass** - March 14, 2013 at 05:35 PM


BP

“ I send my condolences to Tom's family, I worked with him at Heartland Behavioral Healthcare for years. He was a gentle soul and very caring. The world will miss him. your family is in my prayers. *Bobbie Patel*



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**Bobbie Patel** - March 14, 2013 at 03:09 PM

 Elizabeth Rose

“ I worked with Tom at Heartland Behavioral Healthcare and am sending my sincere condolences to his family. He was a unique person. I am so sorry. *Libby*



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**Elizabeth Rose** - March 14, 2013 at 02:38 PM