



Thomas (Tommy) Francis Surina

June 2, 1954 - April 16, 2024

Thomas Francis Surina of Sanford FL, formerly of Shelton, CT passed away peacefully at his home on April 16th with his beloved wife Claudia by his side.

Tommy was born on June 2, 1954, and was the son of the late Joseph Surina and Mary Bodarczyk. He was raised in Shelton and attended the Shelton School system, graduating from Shelton High School in 1972. Tommy played several sports at Shelton High School and always remained a Shelton Gael as he followed their sports programs throughout his life. After graduating, he went on to work with Coca-Cola for 17 years and then with the City of Shelton Highway Department until his retirement.

Tommy was a fan of anything that had to do with sports. He was especially passionate about his Boston Red Sox, Bruins, Celtics and the New York Giants. Always ready to defend them if you thought otherwise. Usually with many friends Tommy would take his yearly pilgrimage to Saratoga to bet on, what he called, the donkeys. Not betting on the gray horses was the usual tip of the day. He was a free spirit, no frills and easy-going type of guy. Being easy to talk to resulted in many friends that he made throughout his lifetime. You would never know Tommy was in a decade-long battle that would take his life. He kept to the script, always laughing, and joking. Not once did he let his condition overwhelm his spirit. A true Shelton son.

Besides his wife, Tommy is survived by Kenneth Surina, his brother and several nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephews, and great-great nieces and a great-great nephew.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, May 4, 2024 at DeGusipe Funeral Home located at 905 Laurel Ave., Sanford, FL 32771. Visitation will be held from 2:00 pm to 3:00 pm, followed by a reception at the funeral home from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm.

An additional Celebration of Life to be held in Connecticut this summer.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Shelton Derby Boys Club, 1 Positive Place, Shelton, CT 06484 in the name of Thomas F. Surina.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life and Reception

MAY 4. 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory Sanford Chapel

905 Laurel Ave

Sanford, FL 32771

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Tribute Wall

LH

“ Claudia, I cant imagine anything more difficult than losing the love of your life, I'm so sorry.

Laurie Van Heyde

Laurie Van Heyde - May 04, 2024 at 10:08 AM

RM

“ Rita M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas (Tommy) Francis Surina.

Rita M. - May 01, 2024 at 02:39 PM

DE

“ Denise E. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas (Tommy) Francis Surina.

Denise E. - April 24, 2024 at 06:14 PM

PA

“ Claudia, I am so sorry to hear of your husband's passing. My most heartfelt condolences to you and the family. 🙏

Patty Antonopoulos - April 22, 2024 at 12:06 PM

BR

“ God bless you Thomas. Shawshank all the way, "ain't nobody got time for that"..deepest condolences to Claudia and family.
Doc

Brian Roach - April 21, 2024 at 05:56 PM

AT

“ Tommy was such a wonderful person!
Sending my love and deepest sympathy to you Claudia and your family.

Regards,
Angela Toros

Angela Toros - April 21, 2024 at 03:08 PM

PS

“ Please accept my sympathies. Tommy's handsome smile and the warmth that we all felt when we saw him lives on.

Condolences,
Patty Stanchfield

Patricia Stanchfield - April 21, 2024 at 11:43 AM

CE

“ We will always remember how much Tommy loved spending time with us at the beach, and him driving past our house on Myrtle Street waving to Jackie and Ty, He was a special friend to us and we will Miss him. Much Love to you Claudia, and the Surina family.
Jack & Cindy Early

Cindy Early - April 21, 2024 at 07:16 AM

DC

“ Dom and jan cavone purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Thomas (Tommy) Francis Surina.



Dom and jan cavone - April 20, 2024 at 04:55 PM

BB

“ *Such a good guy. Going to be missed. RIP Fast Tommy. Prayers to the family.. Brian Belade*

brian belade - April 20, 2024 at 10:15 AM