



Thomas J. Hovind

August 23, 1953 - June 21, 2017

HOVIND, Thomas J. – June 21, 2017 of Wilson, NY. Loving father of Laura (Jeffrey) Bonk; cherished son of Jean and the late John Hovind; dear brother of Mark Hovind, Amy (Paul) Augustyn and Suzanne (Jerry) Randall; also survived by nieces and nephews. The family will be present to receive relatives and friends on Sunday from 2-6PM at the DANIEL R. SMOLAREK FUNERAL HOME 2510 Union Rd., Cheektowaga (2 blocks south of William St.) where a funeral service will be held Monday at 10AM. Leave condolences and share memories at SmolarekCares.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **25**. 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Daniel R. Smolarek Funeral Home - Cheektowaga
2510 Union Road
Cheektowaga, NY 14227
(716) 668-3122
<https://smolarekfh.com/>

Funeral Service

JUN **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

LS

“ We knew Tom for quite a few years. He was a real character and so knowledgeable about records and different recordings and of course the singers songwriters and musical groups. He was an extremely generous man ... sharing his knowledge. His love of music and his love of life and people. We sold records and gave records to Tom and he shared with us as well. We will miss him and his special being. Our sincere sympathy and love is extended to his family. We are sorry to lose him.



Liz Max Josh Sloan - August 12, 2017 at 05:32 PM

LS

The above is from Liz. Max. Josh. Sloan

Liz Max Josh Sloan - August 12, 2017 at 05:34 PM

KC

“ I knew Tom from my early childhood and have great memories of cavorting through the woods and fields (and forts) between our neighborhoods with both he and Mark - and of the many hours spent in their family pool. My sincere condolences to Tom's family and friends.

Kevin Canty

Kevin Canty - July 05, 2017 at 11:54 AM

LH

“ *Sending prayers to Suzanne and family*

Laura Cornelius Horsey - June 24, 2017 at 07:27 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Tom's passing today. Our sincere condolences to all of the family. Will always have special memories of when our families spent Easter and Thanksgiving together so many years ago. Tom and I have a real passion for music, so I believe he will have perpetual music for all of Heaven to enjoy. Rest in peace Tom, and may God bless your soul. Sincerely Mark and Kathleen Bratcher.

Mark Bratcher Sr. - June 24, 2017 at 12:01 PM

JR

“ I will never forget the time I first met Tom. He was working at the Lafayette Tap room where he was DJ "Dr. Love". I was immediately intimidated and was preparing to run for the door as a mutual friend explained I'd been dating his sister Suzanne. Instead Tom took some time to introduce himself and ask a few personal questions in an attempt to get to know me a little in between sets.

He always made me laugh and didn't take himself too seriously, often being the butt of his own self deprecating humor. You were a good brother in law and a fun person to be around.

Tom, I will miss you, now rest in peace my man.

Jerry Randall - June 22, 2017 at 05:53 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas J. Hovind.



June 22, 2017 at 11:17 AM

SR

“ Tom you were truly a colorful character. You had such a big heart and generosity under your gruffness exterior. I am so glad that you always spoke your mind and were true to your beliefs. Not many people are so comfortable with expressing themselves. My heart breaks thinking that you are gone,

suzanne randall - June 22, 2017 at 09:49 AM

MB

Tom, I was just informed of your passing this morning in text form. I was very saddened to hear of this, and want to extend (our) deepest condolences to your family. Although it's been decades since I've seen some your family, I'll always remember when our families got together in our youth for Easter and Thanksgiving. Also, we both share a love for music, so keep the perpetual music playing in Heaven. Rest in peace, and God bless your soul. (Mark and Kathleen Bratcher)

Mark and Kathleen Bratcher - June 24, 2017 at 07:47 AM

MH

“ A memory from a bygone age: I remember when Tom was on a little league baseball team, and played catcher. He was excellent! But one time there was a pop-up fly at the plate, and he missed the catch and the other team won. We, being kids, started yelling at Tom. He started crying, so we all felt bad and forgave him, but I never forgot. He went on to get a trophy for best batting average. He was our slugger!!

Mark hovind - June 22, 2017 at 07:06 AM

AH

Dear Tom, can't believe you're gone. We marched to different beats, but yours had a great rhythm. I hope the sound is really good in heaven or you'll be working hard to get it just right. May heaven may be filled with music so you can sit back and enjoy it all. Love Amy

Amy Hovind - June 22, 2017 at 05:57 PM