



William Thomas Sargent, Sr.

December 9, 1950 - January 10, 2022

William Thomas Sargent, Sr., 71, of Anderson, Indiana, passed away on January 10, 2022, after a difficult battle with Lewy Body Dementia.

Tom was born on December 9, 1950, to Ora and Virginia (Marshall) Sargent in Anderson, Indiana. Just after graduating from Anderson High School in 1969 and before joining the United States Marine Corps, Tom met Bonny (Finley) Sargent, and they wed in 1970. Tom and Bonny went on to have seven children and 11 grandchildren, including, Jennifer (Michael) Stump (Jerome, Connor, Arwen, and Elora), William Thomas (Antoinette) Sargent, Jr. (Emilee, Maurice, Hailey, and Payton), Melanie (Dr. Chris) Kestner (Alex and Nick), Shauna Sargent, Shannon Sargent, Colleen (Jonathan) Gordillo (Penelope), and Christopher Sargent.

After leaving the United States Marine Corps in 1973, Tom went on to work at Warner Gear and then on to work as Correctional Officer for the State of Indiana at the Pendleton Correctional Facility for 41 years.

Tom was a force of nature, determined to provide for his family. His family meant more to him than anything else in the world, something he often mentioned. He was unendingly proud of all his children and grandchildren and always tried his best to support them.

Tom was a big nerd who loved all things that had to do with computers and technology and passed this love on to his children. He was a passionate reader, video gamer, and smoker of meat. He could often be found playing on his computer, reading, or smoking meat on his Green Egg when he wasn't at a sporting event for one of his children or grandchildren. Tom also had a passion for Taekwondo, in which he became a 2nd-degree black belt, and that he continued to practice throughout his life.

Anyone who knew Tom knew that he was the most loving father and grandfather a family could ask for. Tom was predeceased by his parents Ora and Virginia Sargent. He is survived by his wife Bonny, his children, Jennifer, Tom Jr., Melanie, Shauna, Shannon, Colleen, and Christopher, and his sisters, Carolyn Leazenby and Betty Mills.

The family asks that memorial contributions be made to Toys for Tots (toysfortots.org) or The Dementia Society of America (dementiasociety.org). If flowers or notes are sent, please send them to 1717 Noble Street, Anderson, Indiana 46016.

There will be a Celebration of Life for Tom on Sunday, January 16, 2022, from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm at the UAW Local 1963 located at 2840 Madison Ave, Anderson, IN 46016.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN **16**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

UAW Local 1963
2840 Madison Avenue
Anderson, IN 46016

Tribute Wall



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of William Thomas Sargent, Sr..*



January 20, 2022 at 09:48 AM



“ *I worked with Sargent for years at IR. He was a good man and a great officer. He will be missed. Prayers to his family.*

Traci Gilley - January 14, 2022 at 06:25 PM



“ *Dear Sargent family,*

May your memories and your kinship keep you strong during this time. I have always had so much respect and admiration for your family, and I know how this loss must weigh heavily on you all. Please know that Bill's life touched many others in such positive ways and those who were touched share in your sense of loss. May you find peace in his peace.

Doug Vermillion

Douglas Vermillion - January 13, 2022 at 07:02 PM



Thank you so much Doug Monday was a awful day for both of our families. I am so sorry for you loss. Your sister was a very special person and she gave me a couple of my closest friends. Sending prayers 🙏❤️

Antoinette Sargent - January 13, 2022 at 08:07 PM



“ *Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of William Thomas Sargent, Sr..*



January 13, 2022 at 01:46 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of William Thomas Sargent, Sr..*



January 13, 2022 at 11:54 AM



“ *Prayers for the family. In the last several years we have spent many weekends watching our granddaughters play AAU basketball and I never realized that we had all graduated together. AHS class of 1969 has lost another great classmate. Teresa Southwick Yates*

Teresa - January 13, 2022 at 08:50 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of William Thomas Sargent, Sr..*



January 13, 2022 at 01:31 AM

JM

“ We worked together on and off for so many years at the Reformatory. Tommy was and is a fine man that I always respected and enjoyed talking to. His sense of humor and at times anger I will not forget. I wish there were more like him today. God bless and comfort this family.
- Joseph M cCutcheon

Joseph McCutcheon - January 11, 2022 at 10:53 PM

AR

“ My earliest memories of Tom are from way back and mostly involve him working on electronics in his spare time. He would geek out over cool movies and books, and he always wanted to share cool stuff. He worked nights and we kids had to be quiet when we were playing so he could sleep during the day. He gave 110% to support his family and loved them all fiercely. He was so proud of his kids and grandkids, and never minded if a few of us spare kids were hanging around. He was a second father to me, and I was so proud to know him. Sending my love to the family.

Anne De Reu - January 11, 2022 at 10:35 PM

SW

“ I worked with Tom at IR . One of the most respected officers I knew, we used to enjoy going out to breakfast after work and working together. Tom was so well respected at the Indiana reformatory I remember the stories he would tell me about his family and believe me everything was about his family he will definitely be missed. I owe a lot to Tom. My prayers go out to his family.

sam weist - January 11, 2022 at 08:34 PM

JP

*Tom was a great officer 🚔♀️. I told him he should go up in rank then he would be Tom Sergeant Sergeant🚔♀️. He would help you out to do the job the right way! He will be missed by all that knew him.
Praying for all from the Price's*

John price - January 12, 2022 at 09:14 AM

JR

“ To the Sargent family i am so sorry to hear of Tom's passing. I worked with Tom at IR. He was a wonderful person. May God hold you in the palm of his hand at this difficult time. Jim(Rocky) Rockwell.

James Rockwell - January 11, 2022 at 08:26 PM

SA

“ I can still here him calling my name when I came to Indiana for Colleen's wedding. The hug he gave me and appreciation he expressed were so genuine. An awesome man who raised awesome children and poured into awesome grandchildren. He loved his family and I love you all too. Mrs. Bonny I am so sorry for your loss. I pray you find comfort in all the memories that you two created through the years. May his memory live on through each and every one of you. Love You Guys! Rest Easy Mr. Sargent.



Sydney Atchison - January 11, 2022 at 07:07 PM