



## Thomas A. Bell

March 19, 1963 - January 14, 2024

Thomas Andrew Bell, 60 years old, of Louisville, KY, formerly of Milwaukee, WI, gained his angel wings on January 14, 2024.

Survived by his best friend and wife of 40 years, Lynne (Nee Schisel), children Anthony (Kristen Oetken), Brittany (Jacob Hazel), and 3 precious grandchildren Landon, Elena, Sophia, and baby Bell expected March 2024.

Brothers Robert of KY, Douglas SR of WI, sister Susan Konkell of WI. Sister in laws Susan Borgeson of MA, Bonnie Mixdorf of WI, Karen Wilson of TN.

Brother in laws Mark Schisel of TN, William Schisel of KY. Also, many nieces and nephews, friends, and business associates.

He was preceded in death by his parents Claude William Jr. and Jacquelyn Bell, Brother David Bell.

Tom was a 1981 graduate of Milwaukee Boy's Tech where he was a member of the swim team winning multiple championships. Active in Boy Scout's many years where he earned the rank of Eagle Scout.

Tom was a passionate businessman where he was founder and President of Nature's Mulch and Landscape Supply. Previously he ran a landscape company for over 20 years that he and his son Anthony started and was a local grocery manager for 25 years. Tom had a very strong business mind and truly enjoyed his work. His love was in helping others become successful. He was an avid Green Bay Packer fan enjoying many NFL games, including their Super Bowl win in 2011, with family and friends; and enjoyed his lake and boat time calling it his "place of peace". Tom was known to have the largest

and best 4th of July firework display on Holder Road.

His greatest joy was his family, he truly adored his children, their spouses, and our grands. Anthony was his close friend and GB Packer Buddy. Brittany was his little butterfly that always enjoyed fun and laughter, sharing time at the lake with dad. Tom was extremely proud to see his children earn college degrees. His grandson Landon became his close “buddy” that enjoyed his time with Grandpa. They shared a very special bond, handshake, and lake music. Granddaughter Elena, his first princess, loved to snuggle and had a sweet smile and love for Grandpa. Granddaughter Sophia, his 2nd princess, was his little firecracker, always with a big smile and being a jokester with Grandpa. Services will be at Owen Funeral Home at 9318 Taylorsville Road on Saturday January 20, 2024. Viewing will be 10 am to 1 pm with a celebration of life at 1 pm.

To honor his wishes, cremation was chosen. In lieu of flowers, Tom asked if you consider becoming an organ donor. Tom was able to donate his corneas. There is no greater gift than the gift of life. Please sign your driver’s license or register to be a donor at [www.registerme.org](http://www.registerme.org). The service will be a true celebration of his life. Tom would like you to wear green and gold or any NFL apparel. Plan to come and share your story or special memories of Tom. The Bell family would like to thank everyone for their support and love during these last 6 months. Especially to the Selby family – Evan, DeNishia and Matthew. Evan was like a son to Tom. They shared a very close business and personal relationship.

As Tom believed – Dream on .... Dream on until your dreams come true.

# Cemetery Details

**Cremation to Follow**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

JAN 20. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Owen Funeral Home-Jeffersontown  
9318 Taylorsville Road  
Louisville, KY 40299  
(502) 266-9655

### Funeral Service

JAN 20. 1:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ I worked under Tom in the grocery business for years then later he was a customer of my printing business when he started his landscaping business. As a boss he always treated me with the utmost respect and I considered him a friend as we later grew our businesses together. God Spede Tom.

Robert Lampman - May 04, 2024 at 05:12 PM



“ It was a true please working with Tom on his various business ventures in my role as his business and family CPA. He was a great business person, and had a "gift" at know how to making businesses grow. It was great to help he and his family with growing those businesses. My thoughts and prayers to Lynne, Anthony and Brittany.

CRAIG SPEARS - February 26, 2024 at 04:37 PM



Thank you Craig for your kind words. Appreciate you and your support. Lynne

Lynne Bell - February 26, 2024 at 11:22 PM



“ Tom was a GREAT friend and fellow outdoorsman. We enjoyed two great elk hunts in Kentucky and Idaho and a fantastic moose hunt in Canada. I also helped Tom with his Lawn Service when Anthony was attending U of L. We always had fun times and enjoyed each others company. I will surely miss Tom greatly. I wish only the best for Lynn, Anthony and Brittany. Thanks Jim Austin

Jim Austin - January 22, 2024 at 10:15 AM

LB

*Thank you Jim for being a kind and faithful friend to Tom. He truly enjoyed all the trips you both took. Thanks for supporting us in our business as well. Take Care Lynne*

**Lynne Bell** - February 26, 2024 at 11:24 PM

RB

“ *I know Tom for 22 years and our relationship has grown from being someone that he did a little business with, to mutual respect and trust. I had many lunches with Tom sharing good times and some not so good. I believe he looked to me for advice with some of his major decisions however he always had clear direction. In fact I always felt that Tom also gave me the same, a clear direction. When Tom focused on what he need to-do he was unstoppable with his business as well as his family which he always spoke of. I remember Tom's challenges of working with Value Mark starting his part-time lawn business and how they grew it into Natures Mulch. The last few times together we talked of how he was going to retire early and wanted to travel as I discussed with him the many place I have been blessed to see in my life. He was always swollen with pride of his children and there accomplishment being so focused on there life. He always commented on how Lynne was the person that kept his business together as a true partner in his life. He was looking so forward to being able to enjoy a retirement which I am so sadden he never got to enjoyed. The last time we had lunch we discussed his trip to California and how much he enjoyed that trip. He showed me such strength for what he was to face, we both cried a little and prayed.*

*Dick Bieniek*

**RICHARD J BIENIEK** - January 20, 2024 at 09:51 AM

LB

*Thank you so very much Dick for your continued support and for the love and time you took with Tom. He enjoyed your "lunch" dates and your visits and stories. Thanks for your love always. Take Care Lynne*

Lynne Bell - February 26, 2024 at 11:25 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas A. Bell.



January 19, 2024 at 08:32 PM

LF

“ LaFever Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas A. Bell.

LaFever Family - January 19, 2024 at 08:32 PM

MF

“ Mary and Ed Kassing family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Thomas A. Bell.



Mary and Ed Kassing family - January 19, 2024 at 09:56 AM

DD

“ Doug, Katrina, & D purchased the Deluxe Chocolate Gift Basket for the family of Thomas A. Bell.



Doug, Katrina, & D - January 18, 2024 at 06:51 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Thomas A. Bell.*



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January 18, 2024 at 05:15 PM



“ *Brandon and Genny planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas A. Bell.*

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**Brandon and Genny** - January 18, 2024 at 05:15 PM



“ *Brandon W. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas A. Bell.*

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**Brandon W.** - January 18, 2024 at 04:48 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas A. Bell.*



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January 18, 2024 at 01:44 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas A. Bell.*



January 18, 2024 at 01:17 PM



“ *All In One Outdoor Solutions planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas A. Bell.*

**All In One Outdoor Solutions** - January 17, 2024 at 02:47 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas A. Bell.*



January 17, 2024 at 12:48 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas A. Bell.*



January 17, 2024 at 12:35 PM

TI

“ Team IPC planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas A. Bell.

Team IPC - January 17, 2024 at 12:35 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Thomas A. Bell.



January 16, 2024 at 07:40 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Thomas A. Bell.



January 16, 2024 at 08:18 AM

AM

“ Accurite Machine & Mfg. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas A. Bell.

Accurite Machine & Mfg. - January 16, 2024 at 08:18 AM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas A. Bell.



January 15, 2024 at 05:26 PM

DA

“ *At the time we lost our son Jeffrey Tom and Lynne were our angels. He has also been such a positive influence to our son Jeremy. He will be missed..*



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**Debbie Alvey** - January 15, 2024 at 04:31 PM