



Thomas P. Wilbur

August 20, 1946 - September 19, 2013

Thomas P. Wilbur, Sr., 67, of Nedrow passed away at home on Thursday. Born in Syracuse, he was the son of the late Eugene J. and Rita M. (Kahl) Wilbur. Tom retired out of Truck 3 as a Lieutenant with the Syracuse Fire Department. He was a Navy veteran of Vietnam. He was a member of Valley Legion Post 1468, Valley Men's Club, Syracuse Firefighters Retirees, Retired Fire Fighter's Association and a communicant of St. James Church. Tom was an avid angler and hunter, a bowler having rolled a 300 game and a golfer having scored a hole-in-one at Westvale Golf Course. Tom is survived by his fiancé, Cindy Mahar of Nedrow; sons, Thomas, Jr. (Monika) Wilbur of Syracuse and Jamie (Stacey) Wilbur of Syracuse; daughter, Stacie (Joe Romano) Wilbur of Syracuse; brother, Gary (Rosalea) Wilbur of Cazenovia; sister, Barbara Westerlund of Sandy Creek and seven grandchildren. Services will be held at 11:30 am on Monday at Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home, Inc., Syracuse. Burial will be in Onondaga Valley Cemetery. Calling hours will be on Sunday from 2 – 5 pm at the funeral home, 4612 S. Salina Street, Syracuse. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Hospice Foundation of CNY, 990 Seventh North St., Liverpool, NY 13088

Tribute Wall



“ *Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas P. Wilbur*

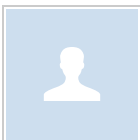


Ballweg & Lunsford Funeral Home - September 19, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Wilbur family, I was very sorry to learn of Tom\'s passing. I was his classmate at Meachem School. He was the best all around athlete at Meachem and the VJAA. He was a great guy and I always looked up to him. Although words can do so little, I want you to know that you have my deepest sympathy. Yours sincerely, John DiSerio*

October 07, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *Tom was probably one of the first kids that I got to play with in 1950 or so. Went to Meachem, and Valley together. Lost touch, but always knew where he was. Was in the City in July and knew he was not doing well. Wish again, as always, that I could have \'reached out,\' but did not. Fair winds and following seas, my friend. Carl*

September 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Sorry for your loss, I was out of town for the services. Tom was a great friend and a great Fireman. Always made me laugh and we had alot of fun on fishing trips. He will be missed. Dan McCauley and Family

September 24, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Thank you for being my friend. I love you.

September 22, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ Growing up, my back yard met the Wilburs where our fathers' gardens and a fence separated us. I have many fond memories of Tommy and his family who were wonderful, kind neighbors. Tom taught me how to throw a baseball and was likely the reason why I enjoyed sports so much back when girls didn't play organized sports. I remember my father catching Tom and a few of his friends several times low crawling across Tom's back yard in hopes of eating my father's prized berries. Tom was one of the few brave ones in the neighborhood who would dare go near the creek even when our parents said no. It appears he lived a full, fruitful life. Peace to you, Tom, in your new home beyond the sunset. And, peace to all who loved you.

September 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ I am truly saddened to hear of Toms passing. He was a great Firefighter and friend. To his family, may all the fond memories give you all some comfort during this time. He sure gave us a lot of them, along with his laughter. You will be greatly missed Tommy. Till we meet again, rest in peace Brother. Jerry and Debbie

September 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers go out to your family during this time of sorrow. We spent many good times working together at station 3. I will miss all the good fishing trips to Sandy Pond and Oneida Lake.*
Mark Bartowski(SFD Ret.)

September 21, 2013 at 12:00 AM



“ *To the Family and Friends of Tom Wilbur: I join in extending sincere heartfelt sympathy to you and your family during this most difficult time. May happier memories help to sustain you and bring you comfort through this period of sorrow.*

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“ *Extending my deepest condolences to Cindy and the Wilbur family. I'm honored to have met Tom and shared a few laughs. May God bless you all.*

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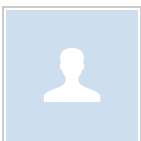
“ Condolences Cindy and Kids. We loved our \"Shorts\". Our memories incite nothing but joy. All I have to do is think of Tom delivering one of his patented one-liners and I shed a tear of laughter. Going with the Quinn contingent to The \"Bell\", with JOhhny Carson, I mean Tom holds especially fond recollections. He was a natual when placed in the middle of the Tug Hill plataeu. Woods, lakes, target shooting and dropping a line in the water during the day, then talking about it around the nightly fire with a cold one - priceless. On the last trip Carolyn nominated Tom as the best salad maker in history! We hope your \"Bell\" tolls forever Tom. What a great life list Tommy. You did\'nt make waste of the journey. Love, Dave & Carolyn.

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“ I was fortunate enough to be Tom\'s Captain his last years on the job at Truck 3. I always slept easier knowing Tom was working, taking care of his men and sharing his knowledge, experience and dedication with his crew. The Syracuse Fire Department and the citizens of the City of Syracuse were privileged to have his services. Well done, Tom. Rest easy, my friend.

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“ Sad day, Tom was a good guy with a great sense of humor and good heart. Had some great fishing adventures with \"the Sea Hag\" in the outer banks and a lot of great memories and stories to tell. Don\'t usually shed many tears but I did last night. So sorry fro your loss Cindy, Tommy and Jamie.

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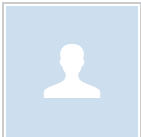
“ Oh my what can I say...Cindy, Tom, Jamie and Stacy....I am so sorry to hear of Tom's passing. Cindy I will never forget the fun times that we had with you and Tom. Our prayers go out to you and Tom's family.

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“ I too normally don't shed tears, however I am weeping as I type this. I was extremely saddened by the news of Toms passing today. I have many fond memories of time spent with him while I was living in Syracuse, and he was one of the people I most looked forward to seeing whenever I came home for a visit. My thoughts and prayers go out to you Tommy, Jamie, Stacie, and Cindy. Tell my Dad and Virg I said hi you lob! Rest well my friend.

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“ We were very saddened to read about Toms' passing. Our sincere sympathy to Barb, Gary, and the rest of Toms' Family. Jack and Jean (Slingerland) Emerson

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“ What can I say, words can't describe what a wonderful man Tom was..I will forever miss him..Thoughts and prayers to Cindy, Tommy, Jamie and Stacey..

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“ How sad the way we let time pass us by. In our youth years there was not a day go by that Tom, 'Jim', and I weren't together. How often I think back on the memories of endless days in the woods or sand pit. How sad it is that, as life's changes separate friends, we never take a minute to 'go back', 'catch up'. How sad it is that we always say "tomorrow I'll stop and say Hi". Until one day there is no more tomorrows. I never knew Tom in his adult life. But judging from his youth, I missed a lot. My prayers go out to Tom's family.
Gary

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“ I had the pleasure of working with Tom early in my career. He was an exceptional person with a great sense of humor. He will truly be missed. May God bless his family and friends.

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“ *A sad day indeed. Tom was a good friend and one hell of a firefighter. Tom and I worked for several years on the Squad Co. and we made one Heck of a roof team. We used to camp, fish and raise a lot of hell together. Travel well my friend. Sincere condolences to Tommy, Jamie, Stacy and Cindy.*

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“ *The Officers and Members of the Mattydale Fire Department and Ladies Auxiliary join in extending Heartfelt Sympathy to you and your family at this Time of Sorrow.*

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