



Thomas J. Bolents

April 27, 1949 - July 18, 2020

Thomas J. Bolents, 71, of Clarion, passed away on Saturday, July 18, 2020 at his home after a lengthy illness.

He was born on April 27, 1949 in Clearfield; son of the late John Peter and Eva Jane Savel Bolents.

Mr. Bolents graduated from St. Francis School in Clearfield and attended numerous secondary schools, such as Automation Institute in Pittsburgh, Technician Training School in Dubois, Old Dominion University, and U.S. Navy computer programming school.

He served in the United States Navy where he worked for Naval Intelligence for two years and aboard a supply ship for two years. Mr. Bolents would often say the U.S. Navy opened many doors for him and instilled a sense of responsibility and organization.

He was married to Jacqueline Marie Weaver on November 9, 1974, who survives. She was the love of his life.

Mr. Bolents worked at General Electric in Erie for 15 years in the computer department and for A.O. Smith Corporation in Texas for 12 years.

From 1988 to 2012, he was a member of the Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Horizon City, Texas. Mr. Bolents was an usher, was elected as the vice-chairman of the Finance Council for two terms, counted collections and helped at many festivals, yard sales, and fund raisers.

Mr. Bolents was also a member of St. Richards Catholic Church in Rimersburg and Immaculate Conception Catholic Church of Clarion. He and

his wife, Jackie, would take communion to the sick at the Clarion Hospital on a monthly basis.

He was a member of the Knights of Columbus, Council 10420, at St. Stevens Church in El Paso, Texas, and a twenty-three member of the Ft. Bliss Rod and Gun Club where he was a co-match director of a popular handgun shoot. Also a member of the Sportsman's Club of Forest County and the Sligo Sportsman's and Archery Club.

In his earlier years, he was an avid skeet shooter and won many competitions. Mr. Bolents enjoyed working around the house and going on weekend trips. He built the home they lived in at Horizon City, Texas with the help of his wife, Jackie, and his children.

He would often say that he was so proud of his children and grandchildren that the "button would pop off of his shirt when he talked about them".

Mr. Bolents is survived by his loving wife: Jackie Weaver Bolents of Clarion; his two daughters: Vanessa Renee Rogers and her husband, Shawn, and their daughter, Saoirse, of Denver, Colorado and Teresa Marie Goodrich and her husband, Christopher, and their son Stanley, and daughter, Dolores Rose, of Evansville, Indiana.

He is also survived by his sister: Mary Margaret Bolents of El Paso, Texas and his brother: Michael Bolents of Tucson, Arizona.

Mr. Bolents was preceded in death by his parents.

The Robert V. Burns Funeral Home in Clarion is handling the arrangements. The family will receive friends from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 25, 2020 at the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Clarion with a Mass of Christian burial to follow in the Church at 11 a.m. with Rev. Monty Sayers presiding.

Interment will be held in the Saint Michaels Catholic Cemetery in Fryburg.

In lieu of flowers, Donations or memorial can be made in Mr. Bolents name to the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church, 720 Liberty Street, Clarion, PA 16214.

Cemetery Details

Saint Michaels Catholic Cemetery

Fryburg, PA

Previous Events

Viewing

JUL **25**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Immaculate Conception Catholic Church
720 Liberty St
Clarion, PA 16214
(814) 226-8433

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MB

“ I admired my brother Thomas. He was a man of excellence who received outstanding evaluations from A.O. Smith, General Electric, and the U.S. Navy. The Navy early recognized his intelligence, integrity, and honor and gave him the coveted position in naval intelligence.

Thomas was industrious and no virgin to hard work. His innocence was one of his most laudable qualities.

Michael Bolents

mary bolents - September 01, 2020 at 05:36 PM

KE

“ Thank you Uncle Tom for all the hilarious memories. I will never forget gathering at Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner. You would kick me under the table and make silly faces at me to make me laugh as Grandma said grace. Even though you are gone you are still loved. I give you a final “farmer’s handshake” to say Farewell.

Love,

Kevin, Liz, and Baby Britney

Kevin - July 24, 2020 at 09:56 PM

TG

“ To the Family my sympathies. I had the pleasure of meeting Tom shooting skeet. He was a gentleman and a great competitor. With both of us being former Navy, we did tell a few Sea Stories, to the enjoyment of those about.- Tom Goble

Tom Goble - July 24, 2020 at 11:17 AM

MM

“ I was so fortunate to grow up with a brother like Thomas. I often said that he was the funniest person I ever knew. He had a kind heart. When my grandfather was selling his home and belongings in Clearfield, I told him that I always wanted the face of Christ oil painting done by my grandmother. He drove to Clearfield from Wesleyville and got the painting for me before it was sold. I have it proudly displayed in my dining room. Rest in peace dear brother.

Mary Margaret

Mary Margaret - July 21, 2020 at 08:15 PM

GB

“ My Dad (Bill Bolents) was first cousin to John Bolents (Tom's dad)...I remember meeting Tom and his wife when they came to Niagara Falls to see my Dad...
My condolences to all of Tom's family
Sincerely, Gail Bolents Buffone

Gail Buffone - July 20, 2020 at 08:36 PM

JB

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Tom at the VA clinic. I was one of many nurses that was able to help take care of Tom. He always had a smile. Thank you Tom for serving our Country. May you R.I.P.

Jamie Beach

Jamie Beach - July 20, 2020 at 08:56 AM