



Thomas R. Kemmer

August 25, 1948 - January 29, 2023

Thomas R. "Tom" Kemmer, 74, of Kingsville, passed away unexpectedly early Sunday morning, January 29, 2023 at his home.

He was born on August 25, 1948 in Kingsville; son of the late Lawrence Morrison and Leona Catherine Smith Kemmer.

Tom was a 1966 graduate of Clarion Limestone High School.

He married the love of his life, Susan D. "Sue" Leadbetter, on June 8, 1968, who survives. They spent 54 wonderful years of marriage together.

In his earlier years, he worked for C&K Coal Company in Clarion, starting out as a mechanic and then worked his way up to supervisor. Tom then worked as a heavy equipment maintenance superintendent for Arch Coal in Wyoming and West Virginia for 16 years until he retired.

He was a member of the Saint Nicholas Catholic Church in Crates. Tom was also a member of the Clarion Eagles Club #3807, where he stopped in everyday to sign the book. Tom was a founding member of the All-American Four-Wheel Drive Club.

He enjoyed hunting, driving his buggy around the backroads, farming with Rob Burns, and always looked forward to going to camp on Friday nights. Tom also enjoyed watching the Pittsburgh Steelers.

He loved spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren and his great grandson who he loved arm-wrestling with.

In addition to his wife, Sue, Tom is survived by his children, Michael Kemmer and his significant other, Angie, Melissa Kemmer-Daugherty, and Matthew

Kemmer all of Kingsville; his grandchildren, Zachary Kemmer, Ashley Daugherty, Korbin Kemmer, Kamden Kemmer, Kaitlin Kemmer and Kelsey Kemmer; his great grandson, Landin Klosky; and his beloved dog, Sammy. He is also survived by his siblings, Larry Kemmer and his wife, Kathy, of Crates, Rich Kemmer and his wife, Maddy, of Kingsville, Ron Kemmer and his significant other, Suzie, of Kingsville, Lucy Smith of Mechanicsville, Cheryl Smathers and her husband, Harry, of Limestone, Joe Kemmer and his wife, Roxanne, of Frogtown, and Annette Wolbert and her husband, Bob, of Tylersburg; his mother-in-law, Jean Leadbetter of Crates; and 2 sisters-in-law, Barb Slagle and her husband, Doug, of Kingsville and Donna Kemmer of Shannondale.

In addition to his parents, Tom was preceded in death by a brother, Francis Kemmer; his father-in-law, Leroy Leadbetter; and his son-in-law, Paul Daugherty.

Family and friends will be received from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday, February 2, 2023 at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home in Clarion. Funeral services will be private with Rev. Harold O. Jacobson, pastor of the Grace Lutheran Church in Clarion, presiding.

Interment will take place at the Saint Nicholas Catholic Cemetery in Crates. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations can be made in Tom' honor to the National Kidney Foundation online at [kidney.org](https://www.kidney.org).

Cemetery Details

Saint Nicholas Catholic Cemetery

Crates, PA

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 2. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Robert V. Burns Funeral Home
638 Wood Street
Clarion, PA 16214
(814) 226-6300
<https://www.rvburnsfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall



“ Robert V Burns Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas R. Kemmer



Robert V Burns Funeral Home - February 01, 2023 at 12:57 PM

DB

“ Dan & Chery Brannan purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Thomas R. Kemmer.



Dan & Chery Brannan - February 03, 2023 at 01:46 PM

JK

“ A very kind man, it was my pleasure to work with, prayers for his family. May God bring you peace. Joe k.

Joe Kane - February 02, 2023 at 08:02 PM

CL

“ Susie, I am sorry for your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May God be with you during this difficult time 🙏. Cheryl Leadbetter Litwalk

Cheryl Litwalk - February 02, 2023 at 07:21 PM

LC

“ I am so sorry to hear of my cousin's death. It is a terrible time for you. Please know that you will be in my thoughts and prayers. I hope the fond memories will help to sustain you. Linda Raybuck Craig

Linda Raybuck Craig - February 02, 2023 at 03:17 PM

KM

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. My condolences to the Kemmer family.

Karen Meyers - February 02, 2023 at 11:51 AM

ES

“ My sincere condolences to Joe and the rest of the Kemmer family for your loss.

Ed Stone - February 02, 2023 at 09:08 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Kemmer.



February 02, 2023 at 08:04 AM

DF

“ My deepest sympathies for the Kemmer family. Prayers for healing and loss of a great person.



Deb Fox - February 01, 2023 at 04:50 PM

DS

“ I will always remember Tom and Sue from all the jeep races and hanging around the campfires at night telling stories and talking jeep and hunting stories. He was a gentle giant of a guy and always would take time to chit chat with the young know it all who raced the Honkin Donkey along with my dad, mom, and sister. Sue and my mom raced each other a few times too. It was a great family time and friendships. I lost touch with him after I got married and had kids. But my dad would tell me about stories about him when he came home from his camp he had near Toms place. I want to send my deepest sympathy and condolences to Sue and the family. Draw close to one another and God and He will pull you through this tragic time. Carole and Howard Shirley also asked to share their deepest heart felt sympathies to you also. God bless, Dale Shirley

Dale Shrley - February 01, 2023 at 04:13 PM



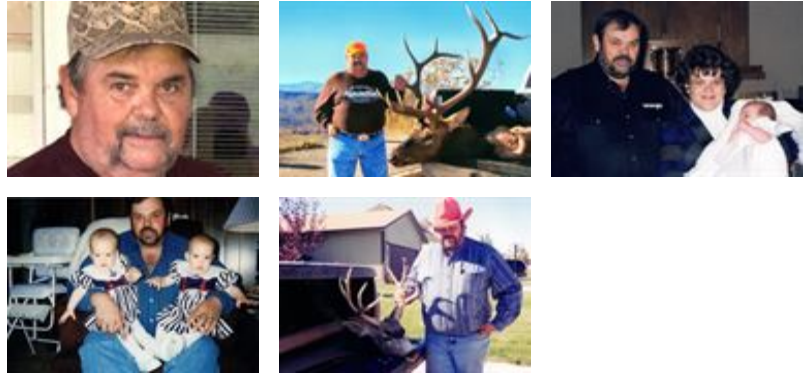
“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Kemmer.



February 01, 2023 at 01:00 PM



“ 162 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Robert V Burns Funeral Home - February 01, 2023 at 12:54 PM



“ Our sincere condolences to Tom's family, from *Kathie Williams and Denny Corbett*



Kathie Williams - February 01, 2023 at 12:11 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of *Thomas R. Kemmer*.



February 01, 2023 at 11:46 AM

CT

“ I met Tom through working with Sue at the Clarion JoAnn Fabrics. Such a nice couple! I'm sorry we never reconnected when they returned to the area. My thoughts and prayers to the family through this very difficult time.

Cheri Pearce (I was Baranowski then) - February 01, 2023 at 09:56 AM

PG

“ I am so sorry for your loss I remember spending time on the farm in the summers as a kid.



Paula Lynch Gates - February 01, 2023 at 09:11 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Kemmer.



February 01, 2023 at 09:01 AM

BH

“ So sorry for the loss of Tom. I have many happy memories of growing up when I think of him. You all are in my thoughts and prayers.



Blaine August Hurrelbrink - February 01, 2023 at 08:59 AM

RC

“ Russ and I extend our most sincere condolences during this tragic time to Sue, and the entire Kemmer family. Our hearts go out to all of you. May God lift you up and give you strength.

Russ and Kathy Curll-Hoenig - January 31, 2023 at 11:27 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Kemmer.



January 31, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Kemmer.



January 31, 2023 at 06:25 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Kemmer.



January 31, 2023 at 06:18 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Kemmer.*



January 31, 2023 at 05:27 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Kemmer.*



January 31, 2023 at 03:31 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Kemmer.*



January 31, 2023 at 02:15 PM