



Thomas J. Ragley

December 2, 1935 - January 19, 2016

Thomas J. "Rags" Ragley, 80, of Clarion passed away peacefully at his home on Tuesday, January 19, 2016 of natural causes.

He was born on December 2, 1935 in Punxsutawney; the middle son of S.A. "Sam" and Mary Helen Ager Ragley.

Tom graduated from Sacred Heart High School in Erie in 1954.

After high school he joined the Marines in 1954 and earned the rank of sergeant.

He was married to Shirley Fagley on September 26, 1959; who survives.

Tom was Co-Owner and operator of Ragley's Bowl Arena with his father Sam and brother Dave for 43 years retiring in 1997.

He was active in numerous community functions where he was known for his humor and words of wisdom and was a member of the Immaculate Conception Church.

Tom umpired baseball for over 22 years.

He participated in the Clarion Area Football Chain Gang for 20 years.

Tom was also a ranger at Clarion Oaks Golf Course for many years.

He even tried his hand at racing in Knox at Sportsman's Speed Way and was an avid Nascar fan.

Tom bowled multiple 300 games throughout the years and he also enjoyed hunting.

He was a member of the American Legion Post 66 and the Moose post 101 both of Clarion.

In addition to his wife he is survived by one daughter, Terri Corbett and husband Tim of Clarion, one son, Tim Ragley, a special friend Teresa of Knox, he is also survived by four grandsons, Logan, Tanner, and Ian Corbett all of Clarion, and Scott Ragley of Knox, one brother, Frank Ragley and wife Pat of Shippenville, sister-in-law, Barb Ragley of Clarion, and his second constant companion, Cinder, his cat.

Tom is preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Dave Ragley.

Family will receive friends from 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday, January 21, 2016 and also from 2 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. on Friday, January 22, 2016 at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home in Clarion.

Military honors will be accorded by the American Legion post 66 at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, January 23, 2016 in the Funeral Home

Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 11 a.m. in the Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Clarion with the Rev. Samuel G. Bungo pastor of Saint Charles Catholic Church in New Bethlehem.

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Tribute Wall

DB

“ *Thinking of you all at this difficult time. Tom will be missed dearly.*

Danielle Bunch - January 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ *'Dear Terri and family, and Shirley, Nelson and I were so sad to hear the news of your Dad, husband. What a great man Tom was. He will always be remembered for his easy smile and great sense of humor. He was so nice! You are all in our prayers during this hard time.*

Linda Whitling - January 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ *Shirley and family,
Our thoughts and prayers for you at this time. Tom always had a smile, and we had good times at our reunions at Jim's. May he rest in peace and may you all keep the good memories alive.*

Art & Mary Lou (Ragley) Kephart - January 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ *Shirley and Family, The Finlan family will greatly miss Tom. His witty humor and engaging charm always brought smiles to our faces. It is rare to talk about Clarion Oaks without mentioning a story that involved Tom. We offer our sincere condolences. He will surely be missed. Tom, Lorraine Finlan and Jill Finlan- Scally*

Tom Finlan - January 23, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ Shirley & Family
Might God give you comfort in your hour of sorrow. Tom was a good friend. It was a joy to have him stop at the store and hang out with us. We missed him the last few weeks. We didn't realize how sick he was. He never said anything about it. He was a joy to be around and he will be surely be missed. Might God give you strength & comfort in the days ahead.

Lee Theiss - January 23, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ Shirley, Terri, Tim and families: So sorry for your loss. He was always smiling, as he is now, down upon you. Please know you are in our thoughts at this time.

Lee & Karen Grosch - January 23, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ Dear Shirley and family, so sorry to hear about Tom. You and your family have our deepest sympathy.

Doc and Marge Bauer - January 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ The Duffys, Ed, Jane, Susan and myself send their condolences to the Ragley family. Rest in peace, Tom. I remember his smile and friendly manner.

Mary Duffy Adams - January 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ My condolences to the Ragley family. I knew your dad since I was a kid going to bowling leagues every Saturday. Tom was a VERY nice guy and always made you feel welcome and tried to get to know you. It didn't matter if he had known you for 2 days or twenty years, he would always come over and talk. He will be missed very much by the people in Clarion that knew him. Rest in peace Tom.

Shannon Avery - January 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ Sending my deepest sympathy to your family. Fond memories of Tom and Ragley's Bowlarena! May the Lord watch over you in this time of mourning. Thoughts and prayers!

Jean Gathers Smith - January 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ Sending warm thoughts and prayers to the Ragley family

Cara Cherico - January 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ Tim and family, Our thoughts and prayers are with you may everyone be blessed with all the fond memories of your dad, and with each smile shared may you feel the love in your heart. With Sympathy Love Patrick and Lisa

Patrick and Lisa Radaker - January 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ Tom and Shirley both made my growing up in Clarion a joy.

Linda Simpson Woods - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ shirley and family sorry for your loss tom was one of the best friends a person could have he will be truly missed may he rip

millie brewer - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

M"

“ Oh what a ride Terry and Tim I can still remember riding to Sportsmans Speedway with Tom in the Jeep towing the race car, many times at bowling alley and don't forget the Pizza Pub and when I was home a few years ago a very long and indepth conversation at the golf course while consuming a few hops and barley beverages, what great memories and experiences I have to hold on to.

Take care Terry and Tim (Pickle) celebrate Tom's life like in typical Tom fashion. "With a BANG"!!

Michael D Shaffer

Michael Shaffer "Bones" - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

J(

“ Ragley family, I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I always loved talking with Tom when I would see him. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Julie Patrick (Ganoe) - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ I am saddened to hear the news of Toms passing. I cant even remember how Tom and I started talking, but he used to come into Sheetz and joke and talk a lot. Later, it was at Clarion Oakes Golf course. Tom always had a funny story, a quick comeback, or a kind word when needed. He will be missed by many for not only his community involvement, but also for his fun and caring personality. Know that he was one of a kind and the type of man the world needs more of. God Bless you and know that Tom will be having a blast in Heaven.

Lori Wolbert - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ Tim,
I am sorry for your loss. I just saw him a few weeks back and he gave me a hug as usual and gabbed it up with my mother. He was always a bright ray of sunshine that made me laugh constantly. He will be truly missed.
My thoughts and prayers are with you and may God continue to shine his Love and light upon your path in this time.
God Bless my friend.

Jamie Beichner - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TK

“ I am sorry to hear about Tom. When I tell my stories, to my now teenage son, of my teenage years and college years, Ragley's Bowl Arena is always part of them. You could always count on advice, encouragement, and of course, some good laughs from Tom. He was a great person. Take care!

Tina Hartle Kriley - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GE

“ Rip.

George - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ *My deepest thoughts and prayers go to the Ragley Family on the passing of Tom.*

For most of my years and during my conversations with Tom you knew you could and would always get an outstanding answer of some kind. His humor was always great! He was missed a lot at Clarion Oaks the past couple of years. My friend, Rest in peace!

Robert Murphy - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ *Terri, just this summer I had a nice conversation with your dad down at the golf course. He caught me up on you and your children and clarion news in general. Such a nice guy. So sorry for your loss. Keep the wonderful memories of your father with you forever.*

Mitch Humphrey - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ *Dear Shirley, Terri, and Tim. So sorry for your loss. Tom was a great man. He would of done anything for you. I had many good times at the bowling alley. He will be sadly missed.*

Ken Rex - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ I grew up at the bowling lanes. Sam, Mary, Tom and Dave were like family to me. I moved to NC in 1973 but continued to bowl 3 times a week. When it thunders I will think of Tom bowling 300 with the angels.

DONNA RANSOM - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LW

“ When some people walk in the room they take the oxygen out of the air. When Tom walked into a room he brought a smile to your face, and always left you feeling better. To the Ragley's and Corbett's thank you for sharing this guy with us. I will miss this guy walking the sidelines.

Larry R. Wisner - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AC

“ Shirley, Terri, and Tim - I was saddened hear of Tom's passing. I always enjoyed our conversations whenever I would see him; which was always filled with a lot of laughter. We will keep you all in our thoughts and prayers.

Anthony Cherico - January 21, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Dear Mrs. Ragley and family,
Mom and I are very sad to hear this news. We are sending lots of prayers with you all during this difficult time. Love,
Mary and Marisa Diaz y Diaz

Marisa Diaz - January 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ Shirley & family:

Was sorry too hear of Tom's death, I was ..raised on 8th Ave, and Tom just down the street. Shirley , my mother really cared for you, as you worked together at the Sylvania plant. She often talked about you. May God help you threw this Sorrow.

Gene Brosius - January 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JA

“ TERRY SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT UR DAD DONT KNOW IF U REMMEMBER ME ME AND MY DAD HAROLD ATKINSON USED TO GO THE RACES WITH THE GRAHAMS WITH THE RACE CAR IM SO SORRY I LOST MY DAD IN 2014 SO TAKLE CARE JEFF ATKINSON

JEFF ATKINSON - January 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GE

“ Terri,
*So sorry to hear about your Dad. We SO enjoyed him! I'll bet you have so many wonderful memories of him to cherish for years to come.
NEVER a dull moment as long as Tom was around.
Tom, until we meet again....RIP.*

Gwen Eaker - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ Dear Terri,
I am so sorry to hear about your father. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

Margie Nanz Smilowitz - January 19, 2016 at 12:00 AM