

Thomas D. Rankin

October 19, 1936 - February 12, 2021

Thomas Dean Rankin, 84, of Clarion, passed away Friday evening, February 12, 2021 at home due to complications from a massive stroke.

He was born on October 19, 1936 in Rimersburg; a son of the late Jesse Dale and Stella Mae Wensel Rankin.

Tom graduated from Union High School in 1955 and then served in the US Army 82nd Airborne Division in Fort Bragg.

He worked at Sharon Steel Mill as an electrician for numerous years, retiring in 1992, and then worked at Carter Lumber in Clarion to keep busy.

Tom enjoyed his daily drives around the backroads and loved spending time with his family, especially his grandkids. He also loved being with his dog, Bailey.

Tom is survived by his son, Tracy Rankin of Summerville; his daughter, Tammy Smith and her husband, Brad, of Clarion; his granddaughter, Lauren Smith Ehrhart and her husband, Tom, of Limestone; and his grandson, Tommy Smith of Clarion.

He is also survived by the mother of his children, Carol Rosenquest of Summerville; his sister, Judy Dean and her husband, Jerry, of Rimersburg; a sister-in-law, Connie Rankin of Rimersburg; his beloved dog, Bailey; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Tom was preceded in death by a son, Thomas Dean Rankin II; his parents; five sisters, Dorethea, Zelda, Shirley, Delores, and Donna; and three brothers, Richard, Jack, and Donald.

The family will receive friends from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at the Robert V. Burns Funeral Home in Clarion.

Funeral services will be held at 11 a.m. in the funeral home on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 with Cecil Craig presiding. Live streaming of the funeral can be viewed via our facebook page at Burns Funeral Homes.

In lieu of flowers, memorials or donations can be made in Tom's name to the Clarion Forest VNA Hospice, 271 Perkins Road, Clarion, PA 16214.

Previous Events

Viewing

FEB **16**. 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>

Service

FEB **17**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Robert V Burns Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas D. Rankin



Robert V Burns Funeral Home - February 16, 2021 at 09:59 AM

LR

“ Sorry for your loss Tracey iYou will be in my thoughts and prayers ooxx Love always Leshia Rigby Eberts

LESHIA RIGBY - February 17, 2021 at 06:46 PM

LM

“ Tammy and Brad, so sorry to hear that Tom had passed..He was a great neighbor and we enjoyed his visits on his drives...

Larry and Mitzi - February 15, 2021 at 08:40 PM



“ Simply Lily was purchased for the family of Thomas D. Rankin.



February 15, 2021 at 07:20 PM

VS

“ To Tracy, Tammy and family

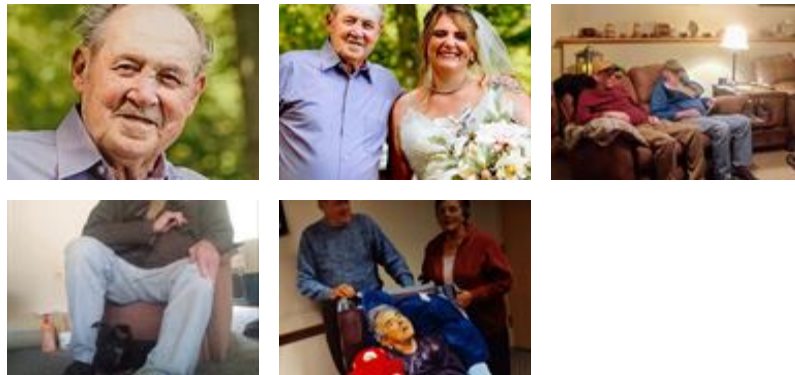
*So sorry for your loss of your dad and grandpa. We wish we could be there with you at this time but please know we are thinking of you and may the memories help ease this time of sorrow. Love you all and hope to see you when we get home from Florida.
Cousin Vicki and Butch*



vicki stevick - February 15, 2021 at 05:15 PM



“ 32 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Robert V Burns Funeral Home - February 15, 2021 at 02:48 PM

RM

“ Tracy And Tammy Sorry for the lost of your Dad

Randy Murray - February 15, 2021 at 11:01 AM

JH

“ Jim and Mary Harkless purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Our Family Chain Is Broken" for the family of Thomas D. Rankin.



Jim and Mary Harkless - February 14, 2021 at 07:13 PM