



Erwin Tomm

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E RWIN TOMM May 9, 1931 - February 26, 2021

Entered into eternal rest to be with his Lord and Savior on February 26, 2021.

Erwin is survived by his beloved wife of 60 years, Hildegard (nee Neumann)Tomm; Loving father of Harry Tomm, Richard (Pam) Tomm, and Manfred (Lisa) Tomm; Affectionately known as Opa to Joshua, Hannah, Nathaniel(Teresa), Sharyn, Derek, Nikki, and Kayla.

He is survived by his siblings Jenny Rutsch (Gerhard), and Eddie Tomm (Edeltraud).

He was preceded in death by his parents Julius and Frieda (nee Lietke) Tomm, dear sisters Wally Prill (Albert, deceased) and Elly Rautenstrauch (Werner, deceased) and granddaughter Sarah.

He immigrated from Germany to the United States in 1952, settling in Cleveland, Ohio. He became a naturalized citizen and then went on to serve in the US Army in August 1956 (active duty) for two years and then transferred to the Army Reserves with honorable discharge on August 1962 as a machinist. He continued his machinist apprenticeship as a civilian and became a journeyman mold maker.

He met the love of his life in Cleveland and married Hildegard on June 18, 1960. They resided in the West Park neighborhood of Cleveland and were actively involved in the West Park Friends Church. Erwin also was involved with the Gideons International for many years.

Erwin had an entrepreneurial spirit which led him to start his own mold and die company in June 1965 and this then led to him experimenting in the emerging field of plastic injection molding. He used his skills making various inventions, for which he received 17 different US patents. He



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served as a mentor to several apprentices that came up through his company and was able to share his knowledge and values with them.

The family is grateful for the prompt, compassionate and professional care he received from the Hospice of the Western Reserve.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations in Erwin's memory to the West Park Friends Church 3780 W 140th Street, Cleveland Ohio 44111, the Gideons International Processing Center P.O. Box 97251 Washington, DC 20090-7251, or to the Hospice of the Western Reserve 17876 St Clair Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio 44110.

A private burial service will take place in the chapel located at Sunset Cemetery in North Olmsted, Ohio. Family and friends are invited to view the virtual funeral ceremony which will be streamed live on March 3rd at 11:30am and available for online viewing any time thereafter on the cemetery's website: www.sunsetfuneralandcemetery.com.

Chapel Service Link Below:

<https://viewneral.zoom.us/j/91503093007?pwd=aUNnc0lXNnRaWU5MbVV5SVhueFk0dz09>

Graveside Service Link Below:

<https://viewneral.zoom.us/j/92931650640?pwd=UmcwOGJDWCG9Jd3BDZ3V5LIVkdG0wQT09>



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Sunset Funeral, Cremation Services & Cemetery shared an album called **Funeral Service** .

March 3 at 9:50 AM



Sunset Funeral, Cremation Services & Cemetery shared an album called **Graveside Service** .

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Carl Soros lit a candle in honor of Erwin.

So Sorry for your loss, Prayers for Manfred & his Family.Carl & Sandy Soros

March 3 at 9:03 AM



Valerie Uthe posted:

Heartfelt thoughts and prayers to the Tomm family....we were blessed to know such a wonderful man....we loved seeing him pull his truck into the back yard....coming home from the Shoppe....always had a smile.....for everyone.....he set an amazing example for his sons.....and as promised is residing in one of the rooms that our Lord has prepared for him. God bless you all. Val Ciesielczyk (Uthe) neighbor and friend

March 2 at 4:51 PM



Kathy Stroh posted:

Sending deepest sympathy and prayers. Kathy Stroh

March 2 at 4:07 PM



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David Williams posted:

Our family was so sad to hear the news of Erwin's passing, but so thankful for his vibrant testimony of faithfulness to Christ and to the work of His kingdom. We have many warm memories of our time together with Erwin, Hildegard and the entire Tomm family during our years of ministry at West Park Friends. We grieve his loss with you all, even while we rejoice in his heavenly homecoming. May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus be yours in abundance, dear friends. David & Carol Williams

March 2 at 1:49 PM



Hildegard Tomm March 5 at 7:55 PM

Greetings to you All ! Thank you for Love & Prayers .The TOMM Family



Anonymous sent a Heartfelt Memories to the Tomm family.



March 2 at 8:59 AM



Anonymous sent a Cheeseboard Complete to the Tomm family.



March 1 at 12:47 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Erwin by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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