



Thomas L. Thompson

March 9, 1950 - March 24, 2026

Thomas Luvern Thompson, age 76, of Mercer, Wisconsin, passed away peacefully surrounded by his family on March 24, 2026.

Born in Mercer at his grandparents' home, Tom spent his life in the community he loved. He attended the Mercer School District (Class of 1969), where he met the love of his life, Denise. They were married on June 12, 1971. Tom and Denise were inseparable, truly attached at the hip, you would never find them apart. Their 54-year marriage was a testament to a deep, steady bond built on decades of shared life, love, and unwavering companionship. They raised three children: Christopher, Tammy, and Shawn.

Tom was the co-owner of Tom's Country Café for 36 years, creating more than just a restaurant, he built a place where everyone felt like family. Through his kindness, hard work, and genuine love for people, Tom helped shape the heart and soul of the cafe. Over the years, he also owned Thompson Heating and Cooling and worked many other jobs. Tom's impact on the Mercer community is immeasurable, serving on the Mercer Volunteer Fire Department as Lieutenant, a member of the Mercer Park Board, and other committees.

Tom had a gift for making people smile and will be remembered for his generous spirit and willingness to lend a hand to anyone in need. Known for his quick wit and goofy humor, he was always cracking jokes, making silly

faces, and striking up conversations wherever he went—truly a social butterfly who never met a stranger. A natural tinkerer, he loved starting and improving projects, often working side-by-side with his sister Carol. Whether he was fishing, boating, playing cribbage, traveling, making trips around town to visit family and friends, or enjoying time with his morning coffee crew, Tom made the most of every moment, leaving a lasting impression on all who knew him.

Tom cherished his grandchildren and embraced every opportunity to be part of their lives, sharing his humor, wisdom, and love. Whether teaching them to fish, cheering them on at sporting events, building projects together, or simply making them laugh, he created lasting memories.

Tom is survived by his beloved wife, Denise Thompson; his children, Christopher (Tricia) Thompson, Tammy (Jerome) Moynihan, and Shawn (Amber) Thompson; his cherished grandchildren, Sydney (Grant) Thompson, Bailey Thompson, Tucker Moynihan, Morgan Moynihan, Simon Thompson, and Stella Thompson. He is also survived by his mother, Rhoda Thompson; siblings Sharon Bardon, Diane Thoreen, Carol Graser, William Thompson, Linda (Glenn) Rusert, Sonja (Bill) Michaelson, Johonna (Jerry) Slaughter, Wanda (Nathan) Lytikainen, Lisa Thompson, Wayne Thompson, Jr., and Joshua (Tari) Thompson; in-laws Robert Lamberty and Jackie Lamberty; many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He is preceded in death by his father, Wayne Thompson, Sr.; mother-in-law, LaDorna Lamberty; father-in-law, Monroe Lamberty; and brothers-in-law George Bardon, Ken Thoreen, and Phill Graser.

The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to the ICU team at Marshfield Medical Center – Weston for their compassionate care.

A Celebration of Life will be held at the Great Northern Hotel Banquet Room in Mercer on Saturday, April 4, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tom's legacy of laughter, kindness, and unwavering dedication to family and community will be deeply missed and forever remembered.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

APR 4. 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Great Northern Hotel Banquet Room
5070 US-51
Mercer, WI 54547

Tribute Wall

JW

“ I was surprised and saddened to learn of Tom’s passing. I met Tom as a teenager when I worked for Tri State Homes. Tom was a Driver/Crane operator and a great mentor to me. Tom was a dedicated man who was very respected by all. I have many memories of Tom and would always look forward to stopping at the restaurant to share memories. I will truly miss that. My sincere condolences to Denise and all of Tom’s family.
Jeff Wasley

Jeff Wasley - April 07 at 10:20 AM



“ A grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Thomas L. Thompson.

April 04 at 02:38 PM

NR

“ Martin and I send our deepest condolences to all of Tom's family and friends. We've been here for just over 6 years and Tom was the first local who warmly greeted us when we went to the cafe. And he would stop and say "Hi!" with that great smile and twinkle in his eye, always making us feel acknowledged and welcomed. He and Denise made a great team and they were a great witness of a marriage made in heaven.

May all of you who mourn his death be blessed by the support you give one another. May God surround you with comfort, courage, strength and hope in the coming days ahead. Martin and Nancy Reed

Nancy Reed - April 04 at 11:56 AM

MK

“ Marcia, Chloe, Jack and Kevin purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Thomas L. Thompson.



Marcia, Chloe, Jack and Kevin - April 02 at 04:12 PM

TF

“ The Thoreen and Aponte Family purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Thomas L. Thompson.



The Thoreen and Aponte Family - March 31 at 07:58 PM

TF

“ The Thoreen and Aponte Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas L. Thompson.

The Thoreen and Aponte Family - March 31 at 07:58 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas L. Thompson.



March 31 at 02:20 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Thomas L. Thompson.*



March 29 at 02:03 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Thomas L. Thompson.

March 29 at 02:03 PM



“ *Love, Heather Tubbs purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Thomas L. Thompson.*



Love, Heather Tubbs - March 29 at 12:49 PM



“ *Love, Heather Tubbs planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas L. Thompson.*

Love, Heather Tubbs - March 29 at 12:49 PM

TF

“ *The Bardon Family purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Thomas L. Thompson.*



The Bardon Family - March 29 at 12:43 PM

TF

“ *The Bardon Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas L. Thompson.*

The Bardon Family - March 29 at 12:43 PM

L&

“ *Larry &. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas L. Thompson.*

Larry &. - March 29 at 11:02 AM

KR

“ *Dear Denise and family, I was so saddened to hear of Tom's passing. He was such a kind man with a quick wit and a ready smile. I can honestly say I was always happy to see him in the office because he always made me smile too! The wonderful memories you have after 54 years of marriage will hopefully be a comfort... best wishes, Kirby Redman*

Kirby Redman - March 29 at 12:29 AM

JT

“ Jerry T. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas L. Thompson.

Jerry T. - March 28 at 10:28 PM

BJ

“ Bob & Denise Jacquart purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Thomas L. Thompson.



Bob & Denise Jacquart - March 28 at 01:43 PM

SS

“ Stephen S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas L. Thompson.

Stephen S. - March 27 at 10:43 PM

MP

“ Michelle ODea & David Fernandez Prim purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Thomas L. Thompson.



Michelle ODea & David Fernandez Prim - March 27 at 09:08 PM

DW

“ *Dean and Nancy Walters lit a candle in memory of Thomas Thompson*



Dean and Nancy Walters - March 27 at 07:32 PM

E8

“ *Everyone at CESA 8 purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Thomas L. Thompson.*



Everyone at CESA 8 - March 27 at 04:51 PM



“ *In Heaven's Arms Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas L. Thompson.*



March 27 at 04:05 PM