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Thomas Newell Obituary

Thomas I. Newell, 73, of Elyria, died January 3, 2017. He was born November 9, 1943 in Fairview, OH and attended schools in Elyria and LaGrange, was a 1961 graduate of Elyria High School and also attended Kent State University. As a young man, he was an active member of 4-H Club and the LaGrange FFA, as well as a member of the Travelers Hot Rod Club while he worked as a soda jerk at Hess & Hess Pharmacy. He was then employed at Johnson Furnace Company in Cleveland and Bellevue and Alsport, Inc. Tom was a lifelong farmer in Carlisle Township and worked for over 50 years as an auctioneer, realtor, appraiser, antiques collector and dealer. Tom and his family also built and operated the former Tin Roof Restaurant in Elyria. For over a half century, Tom was an enthusiastic volunteer auctioneer for the Lorain County Jr. Fair Livestock Auctions and Sr. Fair Baked Goods auctions. Tom spent many summers coaching at Little League South and treating countless kids to ice cream at Tin Roof after a game. He was a member of Elyria Elks Lodge #465; LaGrange Hunt Club; LaGrange Engine Club; Lorain County Vintage Motor Scooter Club; social member of Elyria United Polish Club and a former Rotarian. He enjoyed hosting antique appraisal events, was a lifelong outdoorsman, loved riding his Cushman, traveled extensively and was an avid card player. Tom enjoyed spending time with family, especially his grandchildren and friends, and was known for his sense of humor and forever being a prankster. Tom is survived by his wife of 50 years, Lynn (nee Schmittgen); son Patrick (Sherry) Newell; daughter Ann (Richard) Hamker; grandchildren, Cassadi Newell and Kale Hamker. He was preceded in death by a son, Jay in 1979 and parents Clifford and Estelle Newell. Friends will be received Thursday, January 12, 2017 from 3 to 7 p.m. at Dicken Funeral Home and Cremation Service, 323 Middle Ave., Elyria. A service will be Friday, January 13, 2017 at 11:00 a.m. in the funeral home with Reverend Father Charles T. Diedrick officiating. Burial



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will be in Brookdale Cemetery, Elyria. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Tom's name to the LaGrange Engine Club, P.O. Box 91 LaGrange, OH 44050 earmarked toward the Youth Development Fund. For online condolences, visit www.dickenfuneralhome.com SERVICES Visitation Thursday, January 12, 2017 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM Dicken Funeral Home and Cremation Service 323 Middle Ave. Elyria, OH 44035 Memorial Service Friday, January 13, 2017 11:00 AM Dicken Funeral Home and Cremation Service 323 Middle Ave. Elyria, OH 44035

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WF

Williams Family posted:

Condolences to the Newell family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to your whole family. Psalms 147:3 says God, "heals the broken hearted, and binds up their wounds." May God bring you comfort and peace.

January 19 at 8:00 PM

BG

Barb Gilbert posted:

Dear Lynn and family, I was so sorry to learn about Tom's death. He was just too, too young. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers at this sad time. Barb Gilbert

January 15 at 8:00 PM

LK

Lisa Kaiser posted:

I'm sorry to hear of Tom's passing. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.

January 15 at 8:00 PM

KR

Kristyne posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with your family

January 13 at 8:00 PM

SB

Steve & Mary Bring posted:

Tom was the nicest, kindest and funniest person I have ever met. He was the realtor that sold us our home 20 + years ago. He will be missed by many!!! Our deepest sympathies to Lynn and his children. Thoughts and prayers Steve and Mary Bring

January 13 at 8:00 PM

BS

Bob Shoemaker posted:

My sincere condolences to Pat and the rest of the Newell Family. Tom was a great guy I met years ago thought the LaGrange Hunting & Fishing Club. I also enjoyed talking with him and going to the auctions. Tom will truly be missed by many. Bob Shoemaker

January 11 at 8:00 PM



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ES

Ed And Linda Schuster posted:

Lynn, Patrick, Ann and Family - Our thoughts and prayers have been with you over the past several months and more recently over your loss of Tom. We are sorry that on this day we could not be with to celebrate his incredible life. His kindred spirit and friendship will deeply be missed by us. We have had many memorable times with Tom. Once again, Love and God Bless. Ed and Linda Schuster

January 11 at 8:00 PM

EZ

Elio P. Zerbini posted:

rest in peace old friend.

January 11 at 8:00 PM

GB

Gary & Jill Biltz posted:

To Lynn and Family, so sorry to hear of our loss of Tom. So glad we got to talk back in August. Tom always brought up the time he spent with my dad. Strange that my dad's last moments were looking for squirrels at your place. Tom will be sorely missed. With love, Gary & Jill Biltz.

January 11 at 8:00 PM

LM

Lesa Marks-Marchiando posted:

So sorry to hear of your loss. I remember Mr. Newell as a kind, fun-loving man. My thoughts and prayers are with you.

January 9 at 8:00 PM

SB

Sam And Maryellen McGrew (Brubaker) posted:

Our deepest condolences to Tommy's family. I'll always remember his laughter and sense of humor. RIP Tommy...

January 9 at 8:00 PM



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HL

Holly Leidenheimer posted:

Our sympathy to your family for your loss. Tom was fun to be around. Always had a smile to offer and was so much fun to be around, my boys loved getting rides on his golf cart at the fair. Steve, Holly, Matthew & Jonathan Leidenheimer

January 9 at 8:00 PM

JP

Jim Conrady (Lcvsc Pres) posted:

There is not a single person I know personally who will be missed as much as this kind soul, Tom Newell. He was an all-around super individual who related to everyone on some level. Not only was he a great organizer and records keeper for our club, but took it on himself to hold an annual club picnic on his farm each year. Our rides throughout the county were always memorable, and the many parades in which we participated won't be as much fun now without Tom. It is comforting to know that his gentle spirit will never leave us, and we are continue to enjoy the special memories of our times together, which are too numerous to even begin to mention. He has positively influenced SO many people, and I am HONORED to have known him and to have been able to call him a good friend. My only regret is that I did not know him longer! Tom, your work is finally done -- time to relax. Save us a spot up above....

January 9 at 8:00 PM

LF

Laura Fields posted:

Tom - thank you for welcoming Brian and I every morning to wait for the school bus in your kitchen. When neighbors were family, you were ours!

January 9 at 8:00 PM

JS

Jim Stamcoff posted:

Tom will be missed, we spent a number of years coaching our boys, Pat and Brian at Little League South. He was wonderful working with kids. He was always happy and jolly. My deepest sympathy to his family.

January 9 at 8:00 PM



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DC

David Carmel posted:

Lynn-Pat-Ann I was sorry to read Of Tom's passing. I would like to be a spider on the wall when Tom walks up to St Peter and drops one of his jokes as an entrance. I will miss him at the fair and baked goods sale. God keep you all through this time. Dave & Liz Carmel

January 9 at 8:00 PM

DW

Duane Wiseman posted:

To the family of Mr. Tom Newell We are sorry for your loss. I used to hunt with him and my Uncle Wm Larkins years ago. Mr. Newell was a very kind man and we all will miss him. May God help you through this difficult period. Duane Wiseman and Larkin family

January 9 at 8:00 PM

DB

Dennis Bell posted:

When Tom rides up to the gates of heaven on his Cushman motorscooter you can be sure that the good Lord will invite him in. One of the greatest guys in the world. Dennis "Denny" Bell St Augustine Florida

January 8 at 8:00 PM

JM

Jerry & Cathy Mudge posted:

A true friend... you will be sadly missed

January 8 at 8:00 PM

SP

Shelma Bockey Hondros Friend Of Patrick posted:

I am sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you and your family. I am serious when I say if you need anything just ask. That's what friends are for.

January 8 at 8:00 PM

NH

Nancy Hull posted:

My deepest sympathies for Tom's family.

January 8 at 8:00 PM



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AB

Allan And Linda Biltz posted:

Fair winds and smooth seas in your travels our friend. Say greetings to cousin Jim for us. Al and Linda

January 8 at 8:00 PM

KT

Ken Taylor posted:

My sympathy for your loss. I knew Tom through the Elks and golf before I moved to Texas 4 years ago. A great, kind and caring guy who was fun to be around. ??

January 8 at 8:00 PM

LF

Liller Family posted:

Lynn, Pat, Anne & family You all were his world !! He will be missed by many .. Thoughts & Prayers
Dave, Della & family

January 8 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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