

Thomas Edward Wilson



Thomas Edward Wilson, Jr. Beloved husband of Susan (Horgan), loving Dad to Lisa, Kristina (Bill Baldwin), Tom (Jenny), Tricia (Jim Blase), Sara (Sean Foley), and Sheila (David Pinto).

He was an amazing Popsie to sixteen grateful grandchildren: Sam, Ben, Tyler, Zak, Peyton, Lily, Davis, Kate, Jack, Tommy, Miles, Owen, Colin, Cameron, Oscar, and Lukie.

Born in Cambridge, MA on February 22, 1939 and graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1960 and received his MBA from Saint Louis University.

He and Susan were set up on a blind date and found a deep love from their first meeting and were married for 53 years.

Tom was a pilot on the Naval Carrier, Bonham Richard, during the early days of the Vietnam War. In late 1966, he left the service and moved east with his growing family.

He worked in the aircraft engine business, eventually landing his family in Cincinnati in 1979. After his long career at GE, he became the CEO of LCA-Vision-a calling he loved. He worked as a consultant and managed to turn around several struggling businesses with his patience and consultation services.

Tom was committed to keeping fit his entire life and he was adept at fixing things. His determination to fix things that couldn't be easily fixed often introduced those around him to his unmatched talent for colorful words! Tom was both a melanoma and spinal cord injury survivor.

After the spinal cord injury in 2003, he was told he would not walk again yet he battled back to walk his daughter Sara down the aisle one year later. Though his physical limitations were many, he never once gave up. He continued his daily workout ritual as he understood how important it was to maintain the quality of life he wanted.

Over the years, he spent much of his time being a loving mentor to his children and grandchildren, creating bonds that will be cherished forever. Tom was brilliant, determined, wickedly funny and a valiant fighter until the end. Susan understood him as no one else ever would and they shared a loving passion for family and one another. Tom passed away peacefully with Susan and their kids by his side on May 12, 2017. A raven flew just outside of his window as his spirit released. A sign to his family that he is soaring in the sky once again.

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