



## Thomas R. Polash

July 5, 1940 - September 26, 2021

Thomas R. Polash, 81 of Lancaster passed away Sunday morning, September 26, 2021 at Providence Place. Born in Windber, PA, he was the son of the late Steven and Anna Kotch Polash. He was the husband of Karen E. Polash who preceded him in death.

Tom retired in 1991 from Armstrong World Industries where he was a Supervisor in the General Offices department. He then worked for the Knights of Columbus #867 Home Association helping with catering and food events. He loved to cook and also loved to flirt with the ladies. He was a member of the 4th Degree Knights of Columbus Santa Maria Assembly.

Tom will be missed by his son, Thomas P. Polash, husband of Kristin Wolanin of Lancaster; his daughter, Theresa L., wife of Kenneth E. Smith, II of Lititz and his grandsons, Anthony T. Polash and Kenneth E. Smith, III. He was preceded in death by his sister, Dorothy Barsis and his brother, Leonard Polash.

Family and friends are respectfully invited to attend Tom's Mass of Christian Burial on Thursday, September 30, 2021 at 11AM from St. Anthony of Padua Church, 501 E. Orange Street, Lancaster with Father Matthew Morelli as officiant. Friends will be received at Melanie B. Scheid Funeral Directors & Cremation Services, 317 E. Orange St, Lancaster from 10 to 10:30 AM.

Private burial will be held in St. Joseph's Catholic Cemetery, Bausman.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Joseph's Cemetery

Bausman, PA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **30**. 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Melanie B. Scheid Funeral Directors & Cremation Services  
317 E. Orange Street  
Lancaster, PA 17602  
(717) 393-1776  
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## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **30**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Anthony's of Padua  
501 E. Orange Street  
Lancaster, PA 17602

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas R. Polash*

October 22, 2023 at 10:35 PM



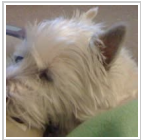
“ *Thomas R. Polash*

October 06, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Thomas R. Polash*

October 05, 2023 at 11:43 PM



“ *Our deepest condolences to you and your entire family. We loved Pap, and have many fond memories of time spent in his company. I am truly grateful he shared his lobster bisque recipe with me. With love, thoughts and prayers, Suzie and Steve Black*



**Susan Black** - September 29, 2021 at 12:12 PM

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“ For 6 years Tom & I worked together at Knights of Columbus cooking for Banquets, Weddings, Picnics, and Charity Functions. He always called me his Right Hand Man because I did not know how to say "No" when asked to help. Tom was special. When working with him it was not work - it was fun, enjoyable, and self-rewarding (especially playing Polkas on the PA system). The World will not be the same without him - but Heaven will get better.

*This is for you Yunko "Odpocivaj v pokoji moj priatelj"*

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Paul J Kralicek Jr - September 29, 2021 at 12:01 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Polash.



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September 28, 2021 at 10:14 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas R. Polash.



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“ I worked with Tom at Weis for nearly 8 years. He was one of my absolute favorite employees to talk to and to work with. I enjoyed our conversations about anything and everything. He was truly a sweet and kind man, radiated friendliness and his smile always made you smile. Once he retired and he would come in to the store on Thursday, he always made a point to stop and say hi to me. I stopped working at Weis in January and the one thing I missed the most, was my weekly chats with Tom. I am truly sorry for your loss, he was an amazing man, and will always be remembered as one. Let his memories live on, keep you smiling, and always remember the laughter, the happy times, and that will hopefully help ease the pain of losing your loved one.

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**Amber Thomas** - September 28, 2021 at 06:21 AM