



Thomas Jerold Whennen

July 9, 1930 - August 7, 2021

Thomas J. Whennen, 91, passed away in Bonita Springs, FL on August 8, 2021. Beloved husband to Eileen “Sis” (nee Fitzpatrick). Dear son to the late Thomas and Gertrude Whennen. He was predeceased by his sisters Donna Budde and Kay Prieb and brother Robert Whennen. Loving father to Kate Mindak, Scott (Gina) Whennen, Tom (Denise) Whennen, Cheryl Whennen and Frankie his dog. Fond cousin to many. Devoted uncle to Larry (Dina) Marschke and many nieces and nephews. Proud grandfather to 7 and great-grandfather to 6.

Tom was born in Peoria, IL in 1930 and spent most of his life as a Chicago resident. He was a member of the US Navy. Tom was an extraordinary business man and started Triple A Catering in Chicago in 1963. He built a successful business with hard work, dedication and great pride. He and Sis traveled the world, followed their dreams and had a wonderful 44 year marriage. Tom was an avid golfer and member, for the past 22 years, at Shadow Wood Country Club in Bonita Springs, FL. Tom was a friend to many and was loved by all. He will be greatly missed.

Due to Covid-19, services are pending at this time. Memorials may be sent in Tom’s memory to The Women’s Board of the Lincoln Park Zoo <https://bbnc.lpzoo.org/sslpage.aspx?pid=184>.

To sign Tom's guest register or to leave online condolences, please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home and Crematory, Family Owned and Operated since 1978.

Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas Jerold Whennen*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Dear Sis,
Just saw this notice when we went online for another SWCC member who passed. We never had the opportunity to meet your husband. We are sorry for your loss and will keep you and your family in our prayers. If there is anything you need, you know we are right next door.
Your neighbors, Abe & Melanie Contino*

Abe & Melanie Contino - August 13, 2021 at 09:53 AM



“ *Fond memories of our breakfast club at Butch McGuires and our travels to Florida and their hospitality in their beautiful home. How time does fly. Wishing Sis the best and our deepest sympathies. Prayers have been said for Tom.*

Dolores and Sal Salituro - August 10, 2021 at 08:12 PM



“ *We were honored to have met Tom and Sis through my parents Jim and Ann McPhail. We were lucky enough to be at a few wonderful dinner parties and cruises.. Always remember the Bieging to Bangkok cruise and Tom slipping the concierge a few bucks so we could have our preferred table and our preferred time. RIP and hugs Sis*

Karen Cotterill - August 10, 2021 at 02:57 PM

JJ

“ *Sis and Family,
Sharing good thoughts and prayers at this time. Tom and you, Sis,
were wonderful neighbors. I miss seeing you both in the
neighborhood. Hope that you have only good memories of all your
time with Tom.
Hugs,
Mike and Jan Johnson*

Janet Johnson - August 10, 2021 at 02:21 PM

KM

“ *I will miss you every single day. I know you love mom and I with all
your heart. And we love you even more. Rest easy and have a
Tito's.*

Kate Mindak - August 10, 2021 at 01:51 PM

CS

Dear Sis,

*I am Carolyn Svehla, daughter of Richard and Jean Peters. I am very
sorry to hear about Tom's passing and wanted to reach out to you, as
we just moved to Naples and we knew you were here and hoped to go
to see you and Tom. My father and Tom enjoyed a very long, friendly
and competitive business and friendship relationship (they were in the
same business). I remember when Triple A suffered a fire and my
parents offered their business as home to the truck drivers and
together they produced the food for both companies. They all worked
24/7 for a few days straight to keep things together. I was just a child,
but I never forgot the lesson: always be there for your friends.*

*We pray you are safe. And we will also pray for that handsome man's
arrival in heaven.*

Carolyn Svehla (Peters)

Carolyn Svehla - November 13, 2021 at 02:57 PM



Sis and family---My deepest sympathies on the loss of Tom. I was your personal trainer in Chicago in the early 90's and have very fond memories of Tom and you. Sending love. I hope this reaches you somehow. ~Meta Rose Torchia

Meta Rose Torchia - July 25, 2023 at 09:46 PM