



Thomas J. Coppinger

June 8, 1933 - May 17, 2013

Thomas Joseph Coppinger, 79, of Grasonville, MD, and Naples, FL, died on May 17, 2013, at the Queen Anne's County Hospice Center.

Born on June 8, 1933, he was the son of the late William F. and Margaret Ellen Kerrigan Coppinger. Mr. Coppinger grew up in Baltimore, MD, and was a 1951 graduate of St. Martin's High School. After graduation, he enlisted in the Navy and served for four years in the active service, and another four years in the reserves. After his honorable discharge, he joined the Baltimore City Police Department, where he began as a Patrolman and, during the course of his career, he rose to the rank of Major. While heading up the State's Attorney Investigations, he also attended the University of Baltimore, where he earned his law degree. When he left the police, Mr. Coppinger went to work for the State of Maryland as a Hearing Officer and later was sworn in by Gov. Schaffer as an Administrative Law Judge.

Mr. Coppinger was a member of the Elks, the American Legion, the VFW, the Emerald Isle Club and the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick. He enjoyed spending his free time on the water.

He is survived by his wife, Barbara E. Coppinger; his children: Kathleen Hiers (Randall) of Taylor's Island, MD, Thomas P. Coppinger (Nancy) of Howard Co., MD, Joseph M. Coppinger (Kathy) of Pasadena, MD, and Christa M.

Taylor of Westminster, MD; a brother, William Coppinger (Marne), of DE; and eight grandchildren, Casey Hiers, Tom Coppinger, Patrick Coppinger, Kevin Coppinger, Brandon Coppinger, Karly Coppinger, Andrew Coppinger, and Brittany Coppinger. He was preceded in death by an infant daughter, Patricia Coppinger; his grandchild, Meghan Hiers; and his sister, Patricia Coppinger.

Friends may visit with the family on Sunday, May 19 at the Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A. in Chester, MD, from 3-6 p.m.

A funeral will be held on Monday, May 20 at 11 a.m. at St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, Queenstown, MD. Burial will follow in St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Queen Anne's, Inc., 255 Comet Dr., Centreville, MD 21617.

Cemetery Details

St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery

5319 Ocean Gateway
Queenstown, MD 21658

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 19. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Chester Location / Kent Island
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619
(410) 643-2226
info@fhfuneralhome.com

Service

MAY 20. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church
5319 Ocean Gateway
Queenstown, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas J. Coppinger*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Thomas J. Coppinger*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Thomas J. Coppinger*

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ 🍷💖 *Love you and miss you terribly Daddy*

Kathy - September 18, 2018 at 01:18 AM



“ *Two years ago we lost a great man. He was a stubborn irishman who always had a story to tell. Love you & miss you always Dad! Your "first born" Kathy*

Kathy Hiers - May 22, 2015 at 11:12 PM



“ *Butch-Doris Bramble lit a candle in memory of Thomas J. Coppinger*



Butch-Doris Bramble - May 21, 2013 at 12:16 PM

BS

“ *Barbara Stoops lit a candle in memory of Thomas J. Coppinger*



Barbara Stoops - May 20, 2013 at 11:24 AM

GS

“ *Gary G. Frye Sr. lit a candle in memory of Thomas J. Coppinger*



Gary G. Frye Sr. - May 20, 2013 at 07:30 AM

DR

“ *Dear Barbara and family,*

Please accept our heartfelt condolences about the passing of Thomas. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Don and Janet Ridgely

Don and Jant Ridgely - May 19, 2013 at 07:16 PM

CM

“ *C Onnie & Betty Mahoney lit a candle in memory of Thomas J. Coppinger*



C onnie & Betty mahoney - May 19, 2013 at 01:12 PM

CM

Oh how we will miss our dear friend Tom. He was a great pal, a kind and gentle Irish man, who loved to tell stories. To Barbara & Family, we will keep you in our thoughts & prayers to help you through this difficult time. Love & God Bless you all.
Connie & Betty Mahoney, Naples, Fl.

Connie Mahoney - May 19, 2013 at 01:24 PM

NT

“ *We are keeping the family in our prayers and wish our sincerest condolences.*

*Friends at Northrop Grumman International
Systems Test Team*

NGC International AD Test Team - May 18, 2013 at 06:04 PM



KC

“ *Karly Coppinger lit a candle in memory of
Thomas J. Coppinger*

Karly Coppinger - May 18, 2013 at 11:26 AM



LS

“ *Laura Saddler lit a candle in memory of
Thomas J. Coppinger*

Laura Saddler - May 18, 2013 at 11:13 AM



KC

“ *Kathy Coppinger lit a candle in memory of Thomas J. Coppinger*



Kathy Coppinger - May 18, 2013 at 09:50 AM

SP

“ *Socrates Pikounis lit a candle in memory of Thomas J. Coppinger*



Socrates Pikounis - May 18, 2013 at 08:21 AM

MA

“ *Mawry's lit a candle in memory of Thomas J. Coppinger*



Mawry's - May 18, 2013 at 08:00 AM

TF

“ *The Mawry Family lit a candle in memory of Thomas J. Coppinger*



The Mawry Family - May 18, 2013 at 07:58 AM

CB

“ Colleen & Buddy lit a candle in memory of
Thomas J. Coppinger



Colleen & Buddy - May 18, 2013 at 07:41 AM

CO

*Dear, Mrs. Barbara, Kathy, Tommy, Joseph, Akrista and families,
Mr. "Toddy" was such a wonderful man, he was like a part of our family,
who we have many happy memories and will miss him. He was so kind
always smiling, we had many great times and conversations. May you
find comfort in treasured memories, the love and legacy he leaves you
with and knowing he is in heaven in the Lord's presence Please know if
we can help in any way it will be a pleasure! I know my Dad's Irish eyes
are smiling and very happy as he greeted his good friend! May God
bless you and give you strength in the days ahead.
Colleen O'Brien Thomas*

Colleen - May 18, 2013 at 07:53 AM

KH

*Colleen, Your kindness is most appreciated! I am sure your Dad & my
Dad have already been catching up on things. Their relationship was a
special one & your Mom & Dad both have been like family to our entire
family. Love you!*

kathy Hiers - May 18, 2013 at 09:27 PM

KH

“ Kathleen Hiers lit a candle in memory of
Thomas J. Coppinger



Kathleen Hiers - May 17, 2013 at 08:55 PM

KH

A lovely green candle for a wonderful Irish lad. May it's flame burn eternal just as your family's love for you. Missing you so much already Daddy!

Kathleen Hiers - May 17, 2013 at 09:10 PM

SH

“ *Sheila lit a candle in memory of Thomas J. Coppinger*



sheila - May 17, 2013 at 03:33 PM

KC

“ *Kathy Crew lit a candle in memory of Thomas J. Coppinger*



Kathy Crew - May 17, 2013 at 03:31 PM

KO

“ *To the family of Mr. Coppinger: This is Kari, Jay Jay's mom...we met at Hospice and Mr. Coppinger was kind enough to switch rooms so that I would be comfortable during my son's last days on this Earth. I hope that they got to meet in Heaven. My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Thank you again.*

Kari Oulahyane - May 17, 2013 at 03:22 PM

KH

Kari, this is Tom's oldest child daughter. I did not have the pleasure of meeting you but you, Jay Jay and your entire family were constantly in our prayers and hearts. My parents were honored to switch rooms to provide a little better comfort for all of you. As your sister and I discussed we are all in agreement that Jay Jay had to be waiting for my Dad to tease him about winning the race. We told my Dad to look after Jayden and be his adoptive PopPop. He can teach him a trick or two for sure. They were both so fortunate to have the wonderful women of Queen Anne's Hospice to help them on their journey. God Bless You!

Kathleen Hiers - May 17, 2013 at 08:54 PM