



Thomas D. Unruh

November 9, 1950 - June 17, 2020

Thomas Donald Unruh of Chestertown, MD, died on June 17, at his home surrounded by his family. He was 69.

He was born in Chestertown, MD, on November 9, 1950, the son of Donald L. and Theresa Mann Unruh.

He was a 1969 graduate of Chestertown High School and was married to Patricia Ann Gsell on July 10, 1970, in Still Pond, MD.

He entered the U.S. Army in 1969. He was a Vietnam Veteran and was honorably discharged in 1971.

Tommy was owner and operator of Unruh Excavating since 1986, prior to that he worked with his father at D.L. Unruh & Son.

He was an 18-year board member of Kent Soil & Water Conservation District, where he served as Board President for three years. He was also a member of the Land Improvement Contractors Association.

He enjoyed tractor pulling, traveling, spending time with his family, and his daily breakfast crew.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by his children, Amy Unruh Miller and her

husband Dave of Abingdon, MD, and Melissa Ann Roark of Smyrna, DE; grandchildren, Taylor Miller, Ryan Miller, Maddox Roark, and Delaney Roark; his siblings, Richard Unruh of Chestertown, MD, Joseph Unruh and his wife, Cecil, of Chestertown, MD, Barbara Wyman and her husband Jim of King George, VA, and Cathy Cole and her husband Brian of Chestertown, MD. One sister, the late Beverly Unruh, predeceased him.

Services will be held on Saturday, June 20, 2020, at 3:00 PM at Fellows, Helfenbein, and Newnam Funeral Home, 130 Speer Road, Chestertown, where relatives and friends may call from 1:00-3:00 PM. Interment will be held privately in Chester Cemetery. A reception for continued celebration of his life will be held at a later date. Contributions may be made to Compass Regional Hospice, 160 Coursevall Drive, Centreville, MD 21617.

Cemetery Details

Chester Cemetery

Chestertown, MD

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 20. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Chestertown Location
130 Speer Road
Chestertown, MD 21620
(410) 778-0055
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Service

JUN 20. 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 20, 2020 at 11:44 AM



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 18, 2020 at 02:45 PM



“ *Thomas D. Unruh*

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Thomas D. Unruh*

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ Thomas D. Unruh

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ Joyce Nicholson lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Joyce Nicholson - July 03, 2020 at 04:27 PM



“ Patsy, family and all of Tommy's family. I know this is late getting on this site and not sure if you will know it is here but wanted you to know Albert and I were so sorry to hear of Tommy's passing. Always looked forward to seeing him at Beverley's when time allowed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.



Albert and Barbara Allen - June 23, 2020 at 07:08 PM



“ Gene And Lynda Palmatary sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Gene and Lynda Palmatary - June 22, 2020 at 04:26 PM

RL

“ Mike and I are saddened to hear the loss of Tommy. We have been keeping his family in our thoughts. Sending our sympathy and continuing to pray for comfort.



Robin Leager - June 22, 2020 at 12:32 PM

KO

“ Kari Oulahyane lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Kari Oulahyane - June 21, 2020 at 08:18 AM

SF

“ Shirley Foster lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



shirley Foster - June 20, 2020 at 11:10 PM

AB

“ Alex Borga lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Alex Borga - June 20, 2020 at 12:25 PM

TM

“ *Unruh family So very sorry for your loss our thoughts and prayers are with you all*



Terry and Paul Milash - June 19, 2020 at 09:05 PM

JE

“ *Josie Elburn lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Josie Elburn - June 19, 2020 at 07:44 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Thomas D. Unruh.*



June 19, 2020 at 06:22 PM

ET

“ *Eddie And Trish Taylor lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Eddie and Trish Taylor - June 19, 2020 at 04:23 PM

ET

Our condolences to the entire Unruh family. We are so sorry to hear of Tommy's passing. May you find comfort in the arms of each other, during this sad time.

Eddie and Trish Taylor - June 19, 2020 at 04:25 PM

BA

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Barb - June 19, 2020 at 01:36 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Thomas D. Unruh.*



June 19, 2020 at 08:53 AM

MU

“ *Mary Ellen Unruh lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Mary Ellen Unruh - June 19, 2020 at 08:52 AM

PW

“ Patsy and family: We are saddened by your loss. Tommy was a good man and his community will miss him. You are in our hearts and prayers.

Patti and Craig Willis and Connie Blades

Patti K Willis - June 19, 2020 at 08:47 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas D. Unruh.



June 19, 2020 at 08:45 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas D. Unruh.



June 19, 2020 at 08:26 AM

PT

“ Paul and Dorothy Tolson



Paul and Dorothy Tolson - June 18, 2020 at 10:17 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas D. Unruh.*



June 18, 2020 at 09:45 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss Patsy.*



Jamie Harrington - June 18, 2020 at 08:01 PM



“ *Patsy,*

We are so sorry to hear of the passing of your husband. May God bless you and Strengthen you and your family during this time.

Nelson Lewis - June 18, 2020 at 07:48 PM



“ *Thelma Bright lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Thelma Bright - June 18, 2020 at 04:50 PM

TB

*Patsy, so sorry to hear this. Prayers for you and your family.
Thelma Bright*

Thelma Bright - June 18, 2020 at 04:52 PM

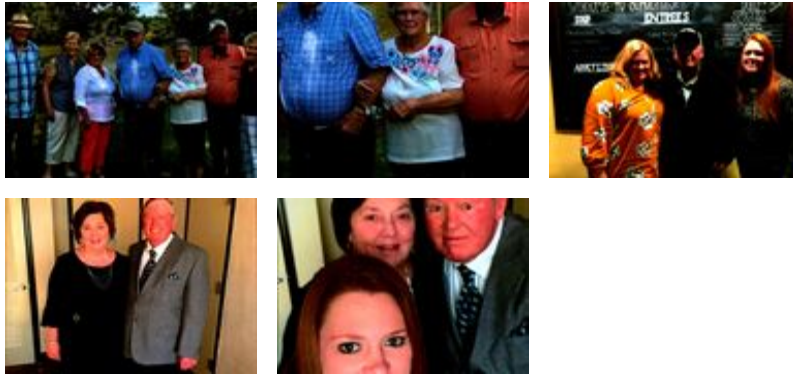
DW

Patsy and family, we are very sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Debbie and Gerry Webb (Nikki's aunt and uncle).

Deborah Webb - June 21, 2020 at 12:23 AM



“ 13 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 18, 2020 at 02:43 PM



“ *Such a nice man. Patsy, you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Rest in peace Tommy.*

Ruthie Voshell-Russ - June 18, 2020 at 02:39 PM

PS

“ Pres & Sherrie lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Pres & Sherrie - June 18, 2020 at 02:14 PM



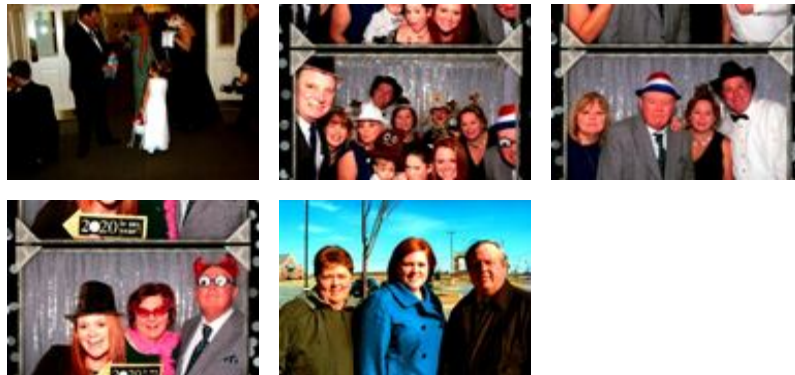
“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas D. Unruh.



June 18, 2020 at 01:30 PM



“ 150 files added to the album LifeTributes



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 18, 2020 at 12:10 PM

RD

“ To Pasty and all the family, please know you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Know that you are not alone in your loss and grief. Know that we are thinking of you all and may you find comfort in your wonderful memories of your large close family. May you find comfort to know he is at peace.

With Love, Randy and Debbie Davidson

Randy & Debbie Davidson - June 18, 2020 at 11:55 AM

RD

“ Randy & Debbie Davidson lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Randy & Debbie Davidson - June 18, 2020 at 11:48 AM

AN

“ Dear Patsy, Amy, Melissa and all the extended Families:

I am so shocked to hear of Tommy's passing. He will be missed by many and such a hard worker and especially a family man. Sending loads of hugs and prayers for all of you during this difficult time.. I will be unable to attend but will be in touch Patsy. Please tell the children I am thinking of them and hope that you all can lean on each other with all the pain you are experiencing. Try to remember all the good memories of Tommy.

*Love,
George and Candy Wilson*

ANNE - June 18, 2020 at 11:32 AM

EP

“ *Elmer Ans Lola Price lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Elmer ans Lola Price - June 18, 2020 at 10:45 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas D. Unruh.*



June 18, 2020 at 10:43 AM



“ *1 file added to the album LifeTributes*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - June 18, 2020 at 10:08 AM

BW

“ *I miss you soooo much big brother, You may be gone but you will never be forgotten. Love you to the moon and back, Hugs...Barb*



Barb Wyman - June 18, 2020 at 09:40 AM

GP

“ So heartbreaking to hear of Tommy's passing he was well known in our community , our prayers go out to his family and all who knew him , he will be missed by many who had the pleasure of working with him and knowing him.

Gary and Renita Pinder



Gary and Renita Pinder - June 18, 2020 at 08:58 AM

TD

“ Tony Riggi QA Soil Conservation District lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Tony Riggi QA Soil Conservation District - June 18, 2020 at 08:32 AM

SM

“ Susan Martinez lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Susan Martinez - June 18, 2020 at 07:54 AM

RJ

“ ROBBIE-ROBIN JOINER lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



ROBBIE-ROBIN JOINER - June 18, 2020 at 07:09 AM

PA

“ Paul Armstrong lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Paul Armstrong - June 18, 2020 at 06:31 AM

KC

“ Patsy, my heart is so broken for you, the girls and the entire Unruh family. Tommy always had a smile on his face, very good man who will be surely missed! Keep your memories close to heart and share the ones that mean the most, keep him alive in your heart. May God comfort you, Amy and Melissa during this difficult very difficult time. May the Lord wrap you in His arms to give you strength! Much love and hugs to you and your family.



Kim Crew-Severson - June 18, 2020 at 01:50 AM

LL

“ Patsy, my heart breaks for you and the family. Please know my prayers are with you. Tommy will always be in my heart for allowing Eric to work for him & learn from Excavating skills. He was a great Uncle to my Son. Love you and continued prayers. Linda

Linda Lane - June 17, 2020 at 11:53 PM

LL

“ *Linda Lane lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Linda Lane - June 17, 2020 at 10:50 PM

LL

Prayers for healing and hold on to ALL the memories Tommy has contributed to his family & friends. He is loved as a husband, a father, a son, a brother, a grandfather and an uncle. You will forever be missed.

Linda Lane - June 17, 2020 at 10:56 PM

DG

“ *Prayers for your healing hearts*



Doris Greiner - June 17, 2020 at 10:27 PM

DB

“ *Daniel Baxter lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Daniel Baxter - June 17, 2020 at 09:52 PM

DN

“ *Debbie And Bob Nickerson lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Debbie and Bob Nickerson - June 17, 2020 at 09:21 PM

DN

Thoughts and prayers are will all of Tommy's family.

Debbie and Bob Nickerson - June 17, 2020 at 09:23 PM

BA

“ *10 files added to the tribute wall*



Barb - June 17, 2020 at 08:44 PM

KN

“ *Kerry Nagle lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Kerry Nagle - June 17, 2020 at 07:52 PM

BB

“ *Barney & Kaye Barnes lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Barney & Kaye Barnes - June 17, 2020 at 07:31 PM

FD

“ *Frankie & Jane Dill lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Frankie & Jane Dill - June 17, 2020 at 06:59 PM

MS

“ *Marie Spray lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Marie Spray - June 17, 2020 at 06:57 PM

MS

I am so sorry for the loss of Tommy , My Prayers to all of the family.

Marie Spray - June 17, 2020 at 06:59 PM

HN

“ So sorry for your loss!!



Helen Nichols - June 17, 2020 at 05:43 PM

JS

“ Janet Seward lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Janet Seward - June 17, 2020 at 05:39 PM



“ Diane Wadkovsky lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Diane Wadkovsky - June 17, 2020 at 04:57 PM

GS

“ George Short lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



George Short - June 17, 2020 at 04:20 PM

JS

“ *Jeanette Stubbs lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Jeanette Stubbs - June 17, 2020 at 04:11 PM

LF

“ *Ricky, Joey, Barbara, Kathy and all of your families, I'm very sorry to learn of this. You're all in my thoughts and prayers.*

Larry Faulkner - June 17, 2020 at 04:11 PM

BC

“ *Barbara Coleman lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Barbara Coleman - June 17, 2020 at 03:32 PM

JH

“ *Jeff & Donna Hollett lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh*



Jeff & Donna Hollett - June 17, 2020 at 03:18 PM

DS

“ So sorry to hear this, certainly enjoyed our lunch crowd. Prayers



Dwayne, Lisa, Harley, Jenna, Sewell - June 17, 2020 at 03:14 PM

DB

“ Our prayers and thoughts are with all of you.



David & Stefanie Blyman - June 17, 2020 at 02:56 PM

FL

“ We are very sorry to all of your family for your loss. Keeping all of you in our thoughts and prayers.

Frankie and Cathy Legg - June 17, 2020 at 02:46 PM

CL

“ Chuck And Julie Langenfelder lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh



Chuck and Julie Langenfelder - June 17, 2020 at 02:23 PM



“ *Cody Cindy Clark lit a candle in memory of Thomas D. Unruh* ”



Cody Cindy Clark - June 17, 2020 at 01:37 PM