



John Thomas "Tom" McMullen

July 23, 1937 - July 7, 2017

John Thomas "Tom" McMullen age 79, passed away on July 7, 2017 at Cambridge Health and Rehab Center after recently being diagnosed with an aggressive brain tumor. He was born on July 23, 1937, at his home in Cambridge, Ohio to the late Herbert and Lucille (Guthrie) McMullen. He was a graduate of Cambridge High School, served peace time in the Army and was married to the late Joyce (Gibson) McMullen.

Tom was always telling jokes and making people laugh and smile. His laughter could be heard from the opposite end of Riesbecks where he retired from being a manager. In addition to being in the grocery business, his true passion was farming. From raising chickens, pigs, cattle, sheep and donkeys (along with a stray cat or two and numerous pet dogs), bailing hay in the hottest days of summer to mowing, Tom was usually outside working. Farming was always his life passion.

He also enjoyed spending time with his coffee, newspaper and diner friends. He was always committed to being involved in the community: Kiwanis, Cambridge Chamber of Commerce, a lifelong member of the Ohio Farm Bureau Association and recently serving on The Salvation Army Advisory Board.

He is preceded by his brother, Dale McMullen of Caldwell, and survived by his daughter, Kerri McMullen of Cambridge, his sister Connie (McMullen) Ansberry of Cambridge, and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins of which will greatly miss his laughter.

Family, friends and others who knew Tom are invited to Bundy-Law Funeral Home from 3:00 to 7:00 PM Monday July 10, 2017 to reminisce, tell jokes they heard from Tom, share stories, and of course, just chat. (Because that is what Tom did – chat with everyone.) Then a funeral service will follow at 7:00 PM with Pastor James R. Gibson officiating.

If desired, friends may make memorial donations to The Salvation Army 221 Dewey Ave. Cambridge, Ohio 43725. Tom's online guest book may be viewed and signed at www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 10. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Bundy-Law Funeral Home
120 North 11th Street
Cambridge, OH 43725
(740) 432-5705
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<https://www.bundy-lawfuneralhome.com>

Service

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Tribute Wall

GS

“ All of the tributes shared here, are reminiscent of the man and the way he lived his life!
Like so many others, I worked for Tom during high school at Penny Fare! Somehow he was able to "temper" what sometimes came down from Management and the store manager at the time. He was always looking out for the people who reported to him and worked with him. A fine man was he.....he will be missed.

Gordon Share

Gordon Share - July 26, 2017 at 10:15 AM

LB

“ Mr. McMullen was one of my idols! I just started college when I began my employment at Riesbeck's. To this day one of my favorite jobs. One reason, is Mr. McMullen! He always spoke to all employees & customers! He taught us how to be professional & customer appreciation! Every time I seen him I have him the up most respect! RIP Mr McMullen! You will be missed!! Lela Gibson Beard

Lela Gibson Beard - July 14, 2017 at 01:18 AM

FF

“ My name is Frank Francis and my wife is Dee Dee (Gibson) Francis. I can say we had the pleasure of knowing Tom and family it seems forever. I knew Tom when I was in high school and met his wife after I was married. A very nice couple and we always enjoyed them both. We want to express our sympathy to their family and let you all know we too will miss him.

Sincerely,
Dee Dee and Butch

Frank Francis - July 12, 2017 at 08:20 PM



“ Gosh it hard to believe Tom is gone is was super incredible guy I work with at riesbecks he great manager to work for so sorry for loss of for incredible person he was

Donald Adams - July 12, 2017 at 01:06 AM



“ The Cambridge Kiwanis Club wishes to extend our condolences in the passing of your loved one. His fellow Kiwanians will keep you in their prayers.

Gayle Heinton - July 11, 2017 at 03:54 PM



“ Tom was a very good man. He was always laughing and smiling when we seen him. We already miss him driving past our house every morning and afternoon honking revving his engine and smiling and laughing. We are going to miss u Tom. Prayers for the family

Shane and April Groves - July 10, 2017 at 07:30 PM



“ Tom was a long time friend and we laughed together for years. He introduced us 60 years ago. We are sad to hear of his passing.

Bob & Jo (Prouty) Taylor - July 10, 2017 at 05:24 PM



“ Extending my heartfelt sympathies to Kerri and the rest of Tom's family. It was such an honor to be a part of his care during his last days. On behalf of all of us at Cambridge Care in Rehab, Rest in Peace, Tom.

Alicia Knott - July 10, 2017 at 03:31 PM

SW

“ Remember when I was a child, my father(Thad Currey) had given Tom some manure from our chicken farm. He spread it on one field ,in a cross I believe. Greenest cross I had ever seen!

Sarah Whetstone - July 10, 2017 at 10:20 AM

KM

“ Tom was one of the best. When we moved to Cambridge in 1976, I went shopping in Penny-Fare. When I wrote a check for my groceries, the clerk hesitated and called Tom over as it was an out of state bank. He introduced himself and I did likewise. He said they would accept it since I had "an honest face". Tom was my buddy after that and he would always make over our daughter who was about 2 years old. No matter what he was doing, he always made time to talk. If our world had more people like him, it would be wonderful.

My thoughts and prayers are with those who loved him. God welcomed him with open arms!

Kathy McClure - July 10, 2017 at 06:47 AM

JL

“ Sure going to miss seeing Tom at his place on Pigeon gap taking care of his donkey and mowing grass.I drive bus and when I go by there all the time he alway wave at me.Going to miss seeing him, always had a smile. Jan Leeper



Jan Leeper - July 09, 2017 at 09:52 PM

AS

“ I remember my mom and I would always stop and talk to him at the grocery store. One of the nicest people and loved his jokes. RIP my friend. Gone but never forgotten. Thoughts and prayers.

Angela smith - July 09, 2017 at 01:40 PM

ES

“ RIP Tom. You will be missed as our CHS class of '55 gathers next month. You have touched many hearts and souls. Peace be with you.

Ed Dawson Sr - July 09, 2017 at 08:51 AM

S(

“ So sad to hear this. He gave me my first job when I was just out of high school in the late '80. I couldn't have asked for a better manager or job experience as a young girl just starting out. He was a man of integrity who will be missed by many. Prayers for peace and comfort as his family grieves his loss.

Susan Burch (Wayt) - July 09, 2017 at 12:26 AM

KA

“ Heaven has received a wonderful man. Always kind and a smile that will be missed by many. Prayers for the family at this very difficult time.

karen - July 08, 2017 at 10:35 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Thomas "Tom" McMullen.*



July 08, 2017 at 10:09 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss, Your dad was a great man always had a smile on his face and always stopped and talk to you when you walk in the door or while your shopping. He was one of a kind. Rest in peace Tom you will be missed*



Mickie Johnson - July 08, 2017 at 09:32 PM



“ *It fills my heart with joy to read the love everyone has for my father. My life is forever empty with he and my mother both gone, but I have wonderful memories to hold onto. I'm so thankful for them and their love. My heart is broken but his laughter will always replay in my head and my heart.*



Kerri McMullen - July 08, 2017 at 08:00 PM

MH

Tom was our classmate and one of the nicest in our class; very quiet and unassuming. A very good man has "graduated." Love ❤️ to all those who will miss him. Meize 💕

Mary Henderson - July 08, 2017 at 09:30 PM

SM

I am so sorry for your loss Kerri. I grew up knowing your dad since he was friends with my parents Ralph and Helen. It was always nice seeing him at the farm or in Riesbeck's. He always had a story to tell and which always made me smile. He will be missed. I haven't seen you in years but wish you the very best. Prayers for strength at this very difficult time.

Sheryl Martin

Sheryl Martin - July 10, 2017 at 03:39 PM

SG

Tom was a very good man. He was always smiling when we seen him. We already miss him driving past our house every morning and afternoon honking revving his engine and smiling. We are going to miss you Tom. Prayers for the family

Shane and April Groves - July 10, 2017 at 07:21 PM

PS

“ We have loss a great friend Tom you will be truly missed You were a good friend to me Always had a way to make me smile or laugh

patty reed slasor - July 08, 2017 at 07:51 PM

RM

*“ What a wonderful man. He was an asset to the community.
Pastor Randy Mercer*

Randy Mercer - July 08, 2017 at 07:51 PM

MS

“ I will always remember Tom laughing. He will be greatly missed.



Marsha Stroud - July 08, 2017 at 07:28 PM

BA

“ You were a great man a great friend to everyone and a wonderful boss when i work at Reisbecks. R.I.P Tom. You will be missed.



Byrda Armstrong - July 08, 2017 at 07:21 PM

DW

“ Once, at the old Riesbeck's, I forgot to put checks in my checkbook, I didn't discover it until I went to pay for my groceries. Tom came over to see what the problem was, when he found out that I forgot to put checks in my book, he told me to go ahead and take the groceries, and pay for them the next time I am in town. He said he saw me in there a lot, so no problem. The 3 boys and I ran right home, (Antrim at the time), I got a book of checks, and ran right back there to pay for my groceries. He scolded me, because he said I did not have to do that. He was such a nice man, had a kind word for everyone. My dad used to fix his TV, he thought a lot of him. They don't make them like him anymore.

Diane Watson - July 08, 2017 at 07:10 PM

JG

He was definately a gr8 guy; I am shocked that he passed away; I know my dad always seen him in Riesbecks. Now Tom is running a store in Heaven now; & my dad will be purchasing things from him up yonder; in the heavenly gates where my dad & mom both are.

JEFF GATTRELL - July 08, 2017 at 08:59 PM

DB

We had just moved to Cambridge and went to get groceries and supplies at Penneyfare. When I went to pay, I realized I did not have any checks in my checkbook. Tom told me to put my name on the grocery receipt, take my groceries, and the next time I come in I can pay this bill. I couldn't believe how nice this man was to help us. He will be missed by many.

Dave and Sandy Barstow - July 11, 2017 at 10:03 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of John Thomas "Tom" McMullen.*



July 08, 2017 at 06:16 PM

 Cathy Miller

“ *Kerri,
So sorry for your loss.
My deepest sympathy.
-Cathy Miller*



Cathy Miller - July 08, 2017 at 04:34 PM

AC

“ One of the most wonderful people I have ever had the privilege of knowing miss his laugh & his jokes which there was plenty the trail diner crew & other customers will miss you Sorry for your loss Kerri prayers for you

April Cleveland - July 08, 2017 at 04:13 PM

CD

“ Tom would buy our kids 4-H lambs from the fair. A very kind man. So sorry for your loss 💔

Cheryl Dunlap - July 08, 2017 at 03:44 PM

JM

“ I have know Tom for as long as I can remember and he was one of the finest people I have ever know. Connie I'm so sorry for your loss. Keeping you and your family in thoughts and prayers.

Joyce Taylor Moore - July 08, 2017 at 03:20 PM

DK

“ YOU WERE A VERY GOOD MANAGER AT A&P AND RIESBECKS, YOU WILL BE MISSED BY MANY.



Delores KJeith - July 08, 2017 at 03:15 PM

JM

“ Joyce Taylor Moore sent a virtual gift in memory of John Thomas "Tom" McMullen



Joyce Taylor Moore - July 08, 2017 at 03:11 PM

GM

“ I met Tom when we rode the school bus together back in the fifties. A genuine gentleman. Condolences to the family.

Gary D. McAfee - July 08, 2017 at 02:36 PM

JM

“ Jackie Merritt lit a candle in memory of John Thomas "Tom" McMullen



Jackie Merritt - July 08, 2017 at 02:34 PM

AC

“ Tom was such a friendly, kind man. I had the pleasure of working for him at Riesbecks. He always made the employees feel valued and took the time to chat with us.

Angie Betts Crosby - July 08, 2017 at 02:26 PM

KT

“ Karen Thomas lit a candle in memory of John Thomas "Tom" McMullen



Karen Thomas - July 08, 2017 at 01:59 PM

KT

I worked with Tom for many years at Riesbecks he knew every one that came in the store. Fly high Tom you deserve your wings 🙏🙏

Karen Thomas - July 08, 2017 at 02:01 PM

JM

Tom was a very nice man. Always smiling and treating people with kindness. I got to know him some when I worked at the hospital. I'm sure he will be greatly missed. My prayers and sympathy are to the family.

Jackie Merritt - July 08, 2017 at 02:33 PM

MW

So sorry. I remember Tom from his days at Pennyfare & Riesbecks. My husband & Tom have been friends for years & spent many days together at the sale barn. He will be missed. Dick & Marie Wilson

Marie Wilson - July 08, 2017 at 03:11 PM

RD

I worked for Tom and Bob Porter at Penny Fare. I remember him working with an unlit pipe in his mouth, bearing an ornery smile. He called me Ralph as a nick name. He was a kind and good man.

Randall Davey - July 08, 2017 at 03:20 PM

MH

“ Very sorry to hear of Tom's passing , he was one of a kind ! I meet him years ago when I was a young girl growing up in Cambridge ! Always had a smile and kind word. To everyone he ran into !! He will be missed but never forgotten !! My thoughts and prayers , go out to your family !! I was proud to have meet him , very kind and funny , sweet man ! Heaven 😇 gained an Angle !! Rest in peace , Tom !!



Melissa hupp - July 08, 2017 at 01:45 PM

MR

“ Meet Tom when I was a little girl. My sister worked at riebsbecks with him while she was in college. He was such a sweet man, always funny, and smiling. He was such a hard working man. He will be missed.

Marli Roe-Boticelli - July 08, 2017 at 01:30 PM

MR

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Marli Roe-Boticelli - July 08, 2017 at 01:31 PM

JH

I remember him from when I was a child and him working at Pennyfare then Riesbecks. He was a kind,hard working man who really had a way of making his customers feel like family. So sorry for his family and friends for their loss.

Jill Hare - July 08, 2017 at 05:04 PM



“ Tom was such a great man. will be missed my many people. RIP Tom. Connie, sorry for your loss.

Sherrie Knott Thompson - July 08, 2017 at 01:28 PM



“ Tom was a sweet and kind man and had a smile for everyone.

Peg Teeple - July 08, 2017 at 01:05 PM

PD

“ So sorry for your loss. Tom was a wonderful person. Always making you laugh or smile. He worked at Penny Fare when I did. He will be missed

PJ Decker - July 08, 2017 at 01:01 PM

SW

“ Tom was a wonderful man, and always a pleasure to be around. He was such a big asset to Riesbeck's, and everyone loved him.



We are sending our love and prayers to his daughter, his sister and the family.
May God give you strength during this sad time.

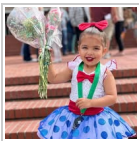
God Bless, Larry & Sandy

Sandy West - July 08, 2017 at 12:05 PM

JP

“ Met him when he worked with my brother Ron at Penny Fare. A sweet man. Will be truly missed. Prayers for his family❤️❤️

Jane Steckel Patterson - July 08, 2017 at 10:43 AM



“ Tom was my favorite , always upbeat ! We need more Tom's 😊

Michael Johnston - July 08, 2017 at 10:30 AM