



## Thomas "Tom" L. Ward

February 19, 1960 - August 7, 2024

Thomas "Tom" L. Ward, 64, of Park Forest passed away suddenly on Aug. 7, 2024. Beloved husband of 36 years of Cindi Ward nee Lisak; brother of the late Bill (Deb) Ward, Joe (Mary) Ward, Jim (Debbie Millar) Ward, and Cindy Angelucci. Brother-in-law of Nancy (late Dennis) Ahyee and Richard Jr. (Laura) Lisak. Uncle of many nieces, nephews and great-nieces and nephews and Father-in-law, Richard (Judith "Judi") Lisak. Tom is also survived also by his furbabies, a dog, BluBelle and cat, Tigger. Born in Escondido, California to the late Charles "Chuck" and late Dorothy Ward nee Hand. Raised in Wisconsin and the suburbs of Chicago. Tom met the love of his life, Cindi and they were married on Aug. 28, 1988. He owned and operated Buddy's Toy Box and D & B Collectibles at the Top of the Hill Barn at Uncle John's Flea Market in Cedar Lake, IN with Cindi by his side. He loved kids and frequently gave away toys just to see them smile. He also loved his family and enjoyed many nights playing cards with them. A Celebration of Tom's Life will be held at a later date at Peace Memorial Church in Palos Park. Memorials may be directed in Tom's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital or the American Cancer Society for Leukemia Research. For info or to sign the guestbook please visit [heartlandmemorial@gmail.com](mailto:heartlandmemorial@gmail.com) or call Heartland Memorial Center at 708-444-2266.

# Tribute Wall



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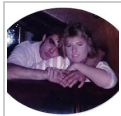


Cindi Lisak Ward - October 16, 2024 at 02:10 PM

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“ Met Tom 3 plus years ago at goodwill in frankfort, when I checked him out we talked About his flea market and how enjoyed sell , and at times giving away his ty toys he picked up at goodwill many times twice a week, we also talked about the earlier days and how life has changed, I enjoyed always seeing him and our talks God took a good man way before his time, their must be some other plan in God plan for needing him I'm sure his love for helping the kids, and family's in need maybe a part of his next life, will miss you TOM . YOUR Friend bob, God bless his family in their time of the loss of a real nice man.

Bob - August 31, 2024 at 03:22 PM



Tom loved hunting for toys and stuffed animals for the flea market. He gave a lot of them away instead of selling them and put smiles on all the kids faces. He often came home and was excited to show me what he found.

Cindi Lisak Ward - October 16, 2024 at 02:03 PM

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*Sorry for your loss Cindi*

**bruce Buggele** - January 13, 2025 at 04:16 PM

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“*Heartbroken to hear of Tom’s passing. He was a regular at the Frankfort Goodwill. Can’t tell you how many bags of stuffed animals he bought for the kids. Such a kind-hearted, generous guy. My deepest sympathies to all who loved him. I already miss our conversations at checkout. RIP Tom. You were a good one. Most sincerely, Nancy Tarwater*

**Nancy Tarwater** - August 30, 2024 at 06:26 PM



*Tom boasted about how many Goodwill staff he knew by name. He went out almost every day but always made sure to stop into his favorite Goodwill locations on "senior discount" day! Most of those stuffed animals didn't get resold but given away.*

**Cindi Lisak Ward** - October 16, 2024 at 02:06 PM