



Thomas J. Collins

September 26, 1925 - March 18, 2013

Thomas J. Collins, 87 , beloved husband, father and grandfather died Monday March 18, 2013 at home. He was born in Wilmington, Delaware in 1925 to the late Thomas S. Sr. and Gertrude C. Collins. Mr. Collins moved to Highland Park, NJ in 1939. He attended and graduated from Highland Park High School in 1943. Mr. Collins enlisted in the United States Navy in September 1943 serving until April 1946. He served on an LST in both the European and Pacific Theaters of Operations. Mr. Collins then attended Rider College graduating in 1949 with an accounting degree. He was a resident of Manville, NJ for the past 61 years. Mr. Collins was employed as an accountant by the American Cyanamid Corporation mainly at the Bridgewater, NJ Plant. He was also the Plant Accountant at the Woodbridge, NJ Plant. He retired in 1986 after 36 years of service. Mr. Collins enjoyed sports both as a participant in baseball, softball and bowling, and as a spectator in all sports. He was a member of the Manville Youth Athletic League and the Thomas J. Kavanaugh V.F.W. Post #2290 in Manville, NJ. Mr. Collins was a member of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church in Manville, NJ. He was predeceased by his dear wife of 54 years Charlotte Czaplicki Collins in 2006. He was also predeceased by a sister Elizabeth C. Burtis and by a brother James Collins. He is survived by his three beloved children Kevin T. Collins and his wife Leonor of Brooklyn, New York, Carol Alcorn and her husband John of Westminster, South Carolina and Brian T. Collins and his wife Carol of Holly Springs, North Carolina. He is also survived by three beloved grandchildren Jordan Lorenzi Collins, Taylor

Lorenzi Collins and Henry Collins. The memorial visitation will take place on Thursday March 21, 2013 from 5 to 8 PM at the Ketusky Funeral Home, 1310 Brooks Blvd., Manville, NJ. (908)575-8512. The Funeral will be on Friday March 22, 2013 8:15 AM from the Ketusky Funeral Home followed by a 9:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church in Manville, NJ. Burial will follow at Sacred Heart Cemetery in Hillsborough, NJ. In lieu of flowers donations may be made in his memory to the: American Lung Association National Headquarters, 1301 Pennsylvania Ave.,NW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20004 or by calling (202)785-3355. For additional information please visit our website at www.ketusky.com.

Cemetery Details

Sacred Heart Cemetery

1096 Millstone River Road
Hillsborough, NJ

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 21. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Ketusky Funeral Home
1310 Brooks Blvd - PO Box 747
Manville, NJ 08835
(908) 575-8512
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Service

MAR 22. 9:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church
98 South Second Ave.
Manville, NJ 08835

Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Kevin, Carol, Brian and Family,
I am very sorry for your loss. Your Father was a very good guy. He always had a positive attitude. I enjoyed speaking with him from time to time as he popped in and out of Screen Styles. Unfortunately, I couldn't make the wake yesterday so I want to send my sincere condolences to you and your family.
Carl Leone

Carl Leone - March 22, 2013 at 08:50 AM

MR

“ Dear Kevin, Carol, Brian, and family,

So sorry to here of your loss. Uncle Tom was such a great person. A quiet, reserved gentlemen, always wearing a smile, and always something funny to say. He brought a smile to so many individuals, and was such a kind man. He will dearly be missed, and always in our memories.

May the good Lord find ways to comfort you, and bring you peace.

Love, Mike & Gayle Radwanski & family.

Mike Radwanski - March 20, 2013 at 07:21 PM