



## George Thomas Markland

August 13, 2024

George “Tom” Markland, 74 of Storrs, died Tuesday August 13, 2024 surrounded by his family. His parents, George and Victoria “Sert” (Merza), were owners of Markland’s Garage, where Tom developed his automotive skills and created his own company “Automotive Consultants”. He was also a member of the Windham Energy Commission. For many years he was a docent for The New England Air Museum. Tom served with the CT Air National Guard, 118 Tactical Fighter Squadron, as an Air Crew Life Support Specialist. He leaves a brother Sam, a sister Alice, and a cousin Jason Jacob. Services will be held Saturday, October 19th at 11am, St. Paul’s Episcopal Church, 220 Valley St, Willimantic. All of his life, Tom was a prolific photographer for family and friends: “PHOTO BY TOM MARKLAND”

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT **19**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul's Episcopal Church  
220 Valley Street  
Willimantic, CT

# Tribute Wall

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“ Tom worked hard to be an active member of the Energy Commission, in spite of his speech limitations. He came to all of the meetings, pre-Covid. And listened carefully. Then I would get a long email from him with his thoughts.

Tom didn't hesitate to try to push our town officials to do the right things. His (and our) appeals too often fell on deaf ears.

But Tom was on the side of good. His email address said it well: No Smog in CT. A laudable goal. And it was so important to have an advocate with Tom's experience and skills working with us to bring EV's to CT.

And Tom was full of surprises. What a life he had! When I went to Puerto Rico and went snorkeling, Tom eagerly shared his photos of his time working there. He recommended (and we went) to the bioluminescent lagoon. An amazing experience.

I wish I'd known Tom earlier in his life, but I was glad to know him when I did.

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**Jean de Smet** - September 23, 2024 at 12:07 PM