



## Thomas S. Carver

June 12, 1946 - December 2, 2012

Thomas S. Carver went home to be with the Lord after a short but valiant battle with cancer on Sunday, December 2, 2012. He was born June 12, 1946, in Newark, N.J. to Robert and Gertrude Carver. He is survived by his loving wife, Katherine (nee McCausland), daughter, Krystina, mother, Gertrude, brother, Roger. He was “Uncle Tom” to his nephews and nieces and grand-nieces and -nephews. He attended and graduated from Conard High School, being the first deaf student to be enrolled there. He attended Central Connecticut State University and later Gallaudet University where he majored in business administration and became a member of the Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity. It was there where he met his wonderful wife, Katherine, who began a 40-year journey with the love of her life. Shortly after leaving Gallaudet, he embarked on a career with “Mother Aetna” in Hartford where he worked for over 30 years until his retirement. He was a man of simple tastes and deep convictions, devoted to his family, his parents, and his close friends. He enjoyed working with his hands, gardening, craft-making, collecting stamps, coins, and antiques, and he was an avid fan of the Boston Red Sox, the New England Patriots, and UConn’s basketball teams. He was a voracious reader and an extremely well-read and -informed person. One could not win a debate with him on many issues, especially in history and world affairs. He loved to cook for his family and friends. He also enjoyed watching and recording movies, often sharing them with his parents. He will be sorely missed by everyone who was privileged to have known him.

A memorial service celebrating Thomas' life will be held at the chapel of the Asylum Hill Congregational Church, 814 Asylum Ave., Hartford on Friday, December 7, at 11:00 AM, followed by a reception at the church where Thomas' family will receive relatives and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Asylum Hill Congregational Church, (Hill Quilters Group) 814 Asylum Ave., Hartford Ct 06105-2892 or The American School for the Deaf, 139 North Main Street, West Hartford, CT 06107, or Independence Unlimited, Inc., 151 New Park Ave., North Annex-Suite D, Hartford, CT 06106-2170.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

DEC 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

Asylum Hill Congregational Church  
814 Asylum Ave  
Hartford, CT

# Tribute Wall

CS

“ Katherine....So sorry to hear about Thomas passing away. I first heard about his illness at Gally Class of '72 reunion through Roger and His wife, who I chatted with. Hey, Katherine, remember me? I had no idea you had married Tomas. It is good to know where you reside and who you married. :) Will send up a prayer for you and your family.

Carmen (Bettis) Stewart  
carmen1@graceba.net.

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**Carmen (Bettis) Stewart** - January 29, 2013 at 10:41 AM

KH

“ Kay and Krystina,  
I was very sorry to learn about your loss. I remember Tom's sense of humor and always being a genuine nice guy. My sympathy to you.

Karen (Adams) Hollant

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**Karen Hollant** - December 11, 2012 at 04:00 PM

DW

“ Kay,  
I am very sorry for your loss.  
Daniel Wynne

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**Daniel Wynne** - December 07, 2012 at 11:05 PM

LS

“ Kay,  
*I am so saddened to learn of your loss.  
With my deepest sympathy to you and your family,*

*Len Krizan*

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**Leonard Krizan, Sr.** - December 07, 2012 at 12:09 PM

EH

“ Kay, on behalf of all of us at Independence Northwest, our deepest sympathies to you and your family. You are in our thoughts,

*Eileen Healy*

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**Eileen Healy** - December 06, 2012 at 04:15 PM

DM

“ Kay and Krystina,  
*My thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time.*  
*Debbie Melaragno*

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**Debbie Melaragno** - December 06, 2012 at 12:55 PM

TS

“ *Kaye, Krystina, Gertrude, Roger & the whole extended Carver/ Family:*

*I am so sorry for your terrible loss. We all share in your grief. We all mourn the loss of our beloved cousin Tom. Spirited, funny, well educated, witty & well read, Tom was a force to be dealt with.*

*Family was always his focus: a love nurtured & inspired in him at an early age by my wonderful & devoted Aunt Gertrude who never accepted Tom's deafness as a barrier to his future or success. Aunt Gertrude you have always been one of my heroes!*

*Tom proved Aunt Gertrude & Uncle Bob right in excelling and succeeding in a hearing world and inspiring his brother Roger to do the same. We will miss him terribly until the joyful time when we are all reunited again.*

*I know Uncle Bob, Nana, Pa, Gammy, Aunt Barbara & Uncle Jimmy, Eileen and Ursula were all there to greet him. What a reunion they must be having.*

*You all remain in our prayers and in our hearts at this difficult time.*

*<>< Love,*

*Tim, Celeste, Erin, Garrett, Alyssa & Rachel Sullivan*

*HE is closest to the broken hearted....Psalm 34:18*

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**Tim Sullivan** - December 05, 2012 at 05:48 PM

DL

“ Dear Kay and Krystina.  
I cannot imagine how you must be feeling at this time of loss. I hope  
the great memories serve to ease the pain as time passes.  
Sincerest sympathy,  
Diana LaRocco

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**dlarocco** - December 05, 2012 at 03:54 PM

ES

Roger,

Please accept my deepest sympathies and heartfelt condolences on  
the loss of your brother. I will pray for you and your family during this  
difficult time.

Ellen Margel Seltzer

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**Ellen Margel Seltzer** - December 05, 2012 at 06:21 PM