



Thomas Patrick Pendergast

October 6, 1936 - March 18, 2025

Thomas Patrick Pendergast of Gladwyne, PA passed away peacefully at the age of 88 on March 18, 2025. Born on October 6, 1936, in New York City, he graduated from Power Memorial Academy and Iona College (now Iona University) with a B.A. in Business Administration. After graduation, Tom was commissioned to the Navy Officers Candidate School in Newport, Rhode Island in July 1959. During Tom's 30 years of service with the Navy, he served at the Pentagon, volunteered for three tours of active duty during the Vietnam War from 1959 to 1968 on the USS Cavalier (APA-37) and the USS Gridley (DLG-21) earning several medals and commendations. He also served on the Reserve Destroyer Squadron THIRTY and in the U.S. Naval Reserve, earning the rank of Captain.

Tom and Nina married in 1965, moved to Philadelphia in 1968, started a family and Tom began working at Penn Central and later at Conrail as the Director of Environmental Affairs until his retirement. After retirement, Tom continued serving his community with the Gladwyne Civic Association and as the Vice Commander with the Gladwyne VFW. Tom is predeceased by his parents, Michael and Katherine Pendergast, his loving wife of 45 years, Nina (nee Boyle), and his brother Michael and sister-in-law Margaret (nee Kelly). He is survived by his daughters Siobhan Pendergast Maier (Willis) and Katrine P. Sutton (Stewart) and numerous nieces and nephews. He is also survived by his beloved grandchildren William and Aileen Sutton who

affectionately called him “PaPa”. He loved his role as PaPa and his favorite memories include golfing with William and dinner dates with Aileen.

Family and friends are invited to a viewing in celebration of his life on Monday, March 24, 2025, at 5-7 p.m. at Chadwick & McKinney Funeral Home, 30 E. Athens Avenue, Ardmore, PA 19003. His Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Tuesday, March 25, 2025, at 11:00 am at St. John Vianney Church, 350 Conshohocken State Road, Gladwyne, PA 19035 followed by interment at Calvary Cemetery, 2025 Old Gulph Road, Villanova, PA 19085.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to Gladwyne VFW, Attn: Robert Foulk, Jr, 320 River Road, Gladwyne, PA 19035.

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR **24**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Chadwick & McKinney Funeral Home, Inc.
30 East Athens Avenue
Ardmore, PA 19003
(610) 642-6303

Funeral Mass

MAR **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. John Vianney Church
350 Conshohocken State Rd.
Gladwyne, PA

Tribute Wall

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“ Your Friends and Team at CSC planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas Patrick Pendergast.

Your Friends and Team at CSC - March 24, 2025 at 09:07 AM

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“ Your Friends and Team at CSC purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Thomas Patrick Pendergast.



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“ The Goll Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Thomas Patrick Pendergast.



The Goll Family - March 23, 2025 at 12:03 PM

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“ The Grabuski and Noonan families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Thomas Patrick Pendergast.



The Grabuski and Noonan families - March 23, 2025 at 11:18 AM

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“ *The Grabuski and Noonan families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas Patrick Pendergast.*

The Grabuski and Noonan families - March 23, 2025 at 11:18 AM

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“ *Mike & Kate Phillips purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas Patrick Pendergast.*



Mike & Kate Phillips - March 22, 2025 at 10:46 AM