



Thomas Alexander McLean

November 17, 2024

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Thomas Alexander McLean, lovingly known as Tom, on Sunday, November 17th at Lakeridge Health Oshawa Hospital.

Born on May 31st, 1938 in Quebec, Tom lived a full life of family, friends and sports. He was married to his loving wife Kathleen “Kathy”(nee Munro) for 61 years, had 5 children, 11 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. He was a loving brother, husband, uncle, devoted father and cherished papa and great grandpa, and a dear friend to many.

Tom joined the Navy when he was 18. He spent 5 years stationed in Halifax on

HMCS Athabaskan. When he finished his service, he worked in the printing industry and continued his career in this field. He had the gift of striking up conversation with anyone which made him an excellent conversationist especially when it came to the subject of hockey.

As an avid sports enthusiast, Tom found great joy in both watching and participating in sports. In his youth, he played football and was invited to the Montreal Alouettes training camp. Unfortunately, a knee injury prevented him from playing. His passion for sports continued as he dedicated many years to coaching hockey. He was proud to say that 2 of the players he coached made it

to the NHL. Whether he was watching his grandchildren play hockey or coaching, Tom was well known in many hockey arenas. You couldn't walk into

an arena with him without someone recognizing him and wanting to chat. He also loved the game of golf and enjoyed marshalling at a local golf course. Tom will be missed dearly by his wife Kathy, his sister Sandra Taylor (nee McLean), brother-in-law Bill Taylor, and his 5 children; Dale (Rob), Barb, Joanne, Karen (Brian) and Kevin. His grandchildren and great grandchildren will also feel

a deep loss. He will also be dearly missed by all family members and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be greatly appreciated by the family.

A Celebration of Life for Tom will take place on December 13, 2024 from 2:00-7:00 p.m. at the Oshawa Naval Veteran's Club (320 Viola Avenue, Oshawa). Family and friends are invited to gather and share memories in his honour.

Tribute Wall

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“ Tom and I worked closely together for a number of years. Tommy, if it hadn't been for your knowledge and undying support, we never would have lasted as long as we did. Kathy, Mona and I are very saddened to hear of Tom's passing. May God bless you and your family during this very difficult time.

jim mathews - November 30, 2024 at 06:24 PM

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“ Tom was a loving husband and father of 5. I had the pleasure of knowing Tom for over 20 years and we both shared a love of all sports. Tom as an intense hockey coach and myself being a hockey referee we had plenty of opportunities to clash and disagree but we had mutual respect for eachother. I always admired Tom's quick wit mixed with sarcasm. Maybe we shared that quality too. Another love we shared was watching and discussing sporting events while we enjoyed 2 or 6 Crown Royals...poor Kathy. I will cherish and miss our annual SuperBowl Sunday get together.
R.I.P. my friend,my father in law...Brian

Brian Way - November 28, 2024 at 08:16 AM

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“ Too many great memories, I could never share just one. The best grandfather, coach and friend.
Rest peacefully, Papa, until we meet again.



Jamie Pierce - November 24, 2024 at 01:22 PM