



## Edward Thomas Connelly Jr.

September 10, 1956 - February 3, 2026

Edward Thomas Connelly, Jr., known to family and friends as Tom or Tommy, passed away peacefully, leaving behind a legacy of service, compassion, and deep devotion to his family. He was born on September 10, 1956, five minutes after his older sister Connie, and was the first son in a lively family of eight Connelly children.

Tom graduated from Mount Saint Joseph High School in 1975. In 1976, he proudly entered active duty in the United States Air Force, serving as an Airman First Class and working as a Medical Service Specialist. After leaving active duty, he continued his commitment to service by joining the Maryland Army National Guard, where he served honorably until 1991.

Guided by a lifelong desire to care for others, Tom worked with the Baltimore Association for Retarded Citizens as a group home manager before pursuing a career in nursing. He earned his nursing degree and passed his boards on his first attempt in 1992. He went on to work in the Cardiac Intensive Care Unit and later in the Emergency Department, where his steady presence, skill, and compassion made a lasting impact on patients and colleagues alike.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents and his beloved sister Patty. He is survived by his loving wife, Elena; his son, Glen; his sisters Rosemary, Sally, Connie, and Beth; his brothers Kevin and Jerry; countless nieces and nephews; and his faithful pups, Phoebe and Sundae.

Tom will be remembered for his dedication to helping others, his quiet strength, and the love he had for his family. He will be deeply missed and

lovingly remembered.

# Cemetery Details

## Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens

200 E Padonia Rd  
Timonium, MD 21093

# Previous Events

## Flower Delivery

FEB 11. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Johnson-Fosbrink Funeral and Cremation Services, P.A.  
8521 Loch Raven Blvd  
Baltimore, MD 21286  
(410) 668-2300

## First Visitation

FEB 11. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Johnson-Fosbrink Funeral and Cremation Services, P.A.  
8521 Loch Raven Blvd  
Baltimore, MD 21286  
(410) 668-2300

*The family will receive friends at the Funeral Home, 8521 Loch Raven Blvd. (beltway exit 29B) on Wednesday, February 11th, 2026 from 3 to 5p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.*

## Second Visitation

FEB 11. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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8521 Loch Raven Blvd  
Baltimore, MD 21286  
(410) 668-2300

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## Funeral Mass

FEB 12. 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

The Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary  
8501 Loch Raven Blvd  
Towson, MD 21286

*A Funeral Mass for Tom will be celebrated on Thursday, February 12th, 2026. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 9:00 a.m. at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish, 8501 Loch Raven Blvd; arrival is requested by 8:30 a.m. at the church. Entombment to follow at Dulaney Valley Memorial Gardens, 200 E Padonia Rd.*

# Tribute Wall

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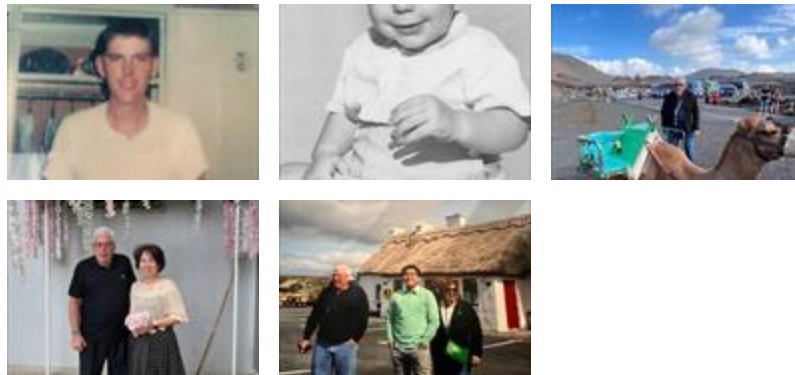
“ We have good memories of Tom playing Santa at the Med A Christmas parties. Roger always enjoyed talking to Tom. He was always friendly, kind and helpful. Rest in peace Tom. You will be missed. Roger and Faye Simmons

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**Faye Simmons** - February 15 at 06:12 PM

RR

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



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**Rosemary Connelly Rappa** - February 14 at 03:11 PM

PP

“ Uncle Tommy has been a constant in my life that I am truly gonna miss.. He never had to give me a Christmas or birthday card but every single year I got one 🥰 I truly appreciate and will hold dear to me all the memories we made together.. From Vacations to Deep Creek Lake.. To him hosting parties, I remember a Ravens party that was so much fun ! I'll never forget the canoe he gave us (we still use it) and letting us stay at his place in OC. He loved to help out others and loved to put a smile on everyones face.. Last but not least I promise to keep the tradition of the chicken dance going in his honor ❤️

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**Paige Puller-Daniels** - February 12 at 08:57 AM

CH

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chona - February 11 at 04:24 PM

RR

Thank you for posting this one!

Rosemary Connelly Rappa - February 14 at 03:04 PM

GM

“ I will always have fond memories of Tom as we worked together in the CICU. We had a lot of good times in the unit that you don't find in hospitals anymore. Tom was always very respectful and liked by all.

Glenda McKee - February 11 at 03:05 PM

MM

“ We had wonderful memories with you Tom.. you're such a blessing.. everywhere you go..



Mae Maprangala - February 11 at 10:15 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



February 11 at 09:18 AM



“ From the Yarian-Dwire family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..

From the Yarian-Dwire family - February 11 at 09:18 AM



“ Kristen S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..

Kristen S. - February 11 at 09:05 AM



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Elaine Dalisay - February 11 at 12:47 AM

ED

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Elaine Dalisay - February 11 at 12:46 AM

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Elaine Dalisay - February 11 at 12:45 AM

HS

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Harold Sazon - February 10 at 10:59 PM

EC

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



Ellen Connelly - February 10 at 09:12 PM

RR

Love these

Rosemary Connelly Rappa - February 14 at 03:09 PM

AC

“ Will go to The Wizarding World for you soon! Will surely miss riding those thrill rides with you Uncle Tom! ☐



Acee - February 10 at 08:17 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..*



February 10 at 05:34 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Des Ople** - February 09 at 08:11 PM



*This is so wonderful!*

**Rosemary Connelly Rappa** - February 14 at 03:10 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



**Rommel . Tom's Night Biddy. CCU** - February 09 at 06:39 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray* was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connolly Jr..



February 09 at 12:24 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connolly Jr..



February 09 at 11:47 AM



“ *Bernie and Jackie Truffer and Family* planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward Thomas Connolly Jr..

**Bernie and Jackie Truffer and Family** - February 09 at 11:42 AM



“ *Love's Journey* was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connolly Jr..



February 09 at 11:42 AM

FF

“ From Victor and Carina Beato and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..

From Victor and Carina Beato and family - February 09 at 11:00 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



February 09 at 11:00 AM

SF

“ Sally , Mike and family purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



Sally , Mike and family - February 09 at 09:30 AM

RD

“ Rick & Dottie purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



Rick & Dottie - February 09 at 08:37 AM

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Rommel A. De Guzman - February 09 at 03:55 AM

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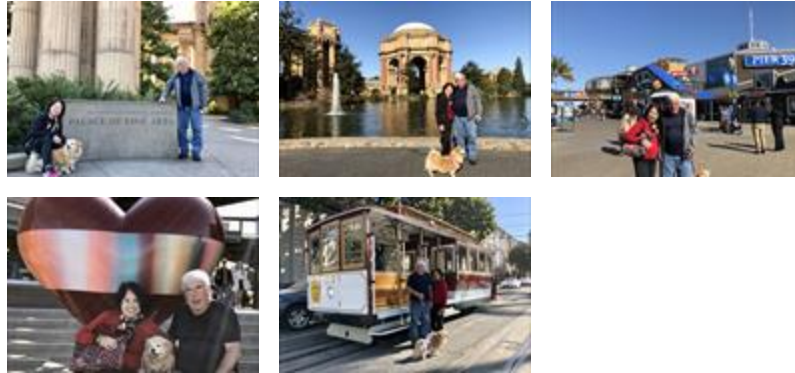


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Rommel A. De Guzman - February 09 at 03:51 AM

RG

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Rommel A. De Guzman - February 09 at 03:48 AM

EC

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Ellen Connelly - February 08 at 09:56 PM

EL

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Elena - February 08 at 09:15 PM

FG

“ From Myton & Bambi & Gerard planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..

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From Myton & Bambi & Gerard - February 08 at 08:26 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



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February 08 at 08:26 PM

PY

“ There’s a Proverb in the Bible that says: “ There’s a friend that sticks closer than a brother”. That’s who Tom is to most of us. He is the Santa on Christmas events. He is the IV therapist for hard stick patients on the floors. He is the driver who not just picks up nurses for work but drives them home too during snowstorm. He is a mentor and a father to so many children- he taught them fishing, took them camping, taught them how to drive, and introduced them to the ice cream world. Even when he retired, he still offered his service and snowcones and popcorn to the tired and weary staff during the Night Socials. He touched so many lives with his humility, kindness, and compassionate heart. He always choose to see the good in everyone.

On a personal note, everything was a shock to me - a whirlwind. Before I could wrap my mind around the 1st news Elena shared ( though days apart), another news followed, and another, mostly worse than the one before. ( To console others, Elena spared you from the pain by not telling you right away). I prayed for a miracle of healing for my friend, brother,colleague, and tour buddy. But miracles come in various forms, not just through healing.

Sometimes we equate our healing with His kind of healing. We forget that His ways are not our ways, His timing is not our timing. I may have not gotten the miracle I want but I believe it’s still a miracle in some way that we cannot understand now but will in the future. The Bible says “All things work together for good to those who love Him...”. As we remember Tom’s humility, kindness, love and compassion, “paying it forward “ is the way to go in honor of him. To end up, I greet you all with his famous “HOWDY?”  
GOD BLESS!

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Percy and Elpie Yala - February 08 at 05:44 PM

EC

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**Ellen Connelly** - February 08 at 05:28 PM

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**Ellen Connelly** - February 08 at 05:19 PM

RL

“ Tom as I stand here and if I become emotional, I would like to borrow your words “ oh I’m good ,I’m good”. Tom is a very good friend , a brother and a father to my 3 children. Tom is a devoted and loving husband to our classmate Elena as I observed. He has no complain. You always hear from him “oh I’m good, I’m good” like when I ask him Tom are you hungry, let us eat.? “Oh I’m good, I’m good” in Arizona he drove us around for the whole day and going home I offer to change him in the driver seat, “oh I’m good, I’m good” in our house get together when I see him in the sala watching television alone I ask him Tom come join us “ oh I’m good I’m good” and a lot more. Now Tom I believe that you are good you are good because I know you are now with our Creator where you belong. Tom surely we will miss you but your memories will leave forever in our hearts. We love you. PAALAM...Rest well.

- Rolando de Leon

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**Rolando de Leon** - February 08 at 05:15 PM

KC

“ Kevin,Sandy,Kc,Bruce Connelly purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



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**Kevin,Sandy,Kc,Bruce Connelly** - February 08 at 01:48 PM

KC

“ Kevin,Sandy,Kc,Bruce Connelly planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..

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**Kevin,Sandy,Kc,Bruce Connelly** - February 08 at 01:48 PM

GF

“ Gerasmia family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..

Gerasmia family - February 08 at 12:10 AM

GF

“ Gerasmia family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



Gerasmia family - February 08 at 12:10 AM

TK

“ Tracey and Kathie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..

Tracey and Kathie - February 07 at 03:11 PM

TK

“ Tracey and Kathie purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



Tracey and Kathie - February 07 at 03:11 PM



“ *Serenity Wreath was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connolly Jr..*



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February 07 at 12:25 PM



“ *Bright and Beautiful Spray was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connolly Jr..*



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February 07 at 11:11 AM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connolly Jr..*



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February 07 at 09:59 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connolly Jr..*



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February 07 at 12:31 AM

TH

“ Terry Hollifield purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



Terry Hollifield - February 06 at 06:29 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



February 06 at 04:35 PM

LF

“ Lindsey Jones and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..

Lindsey Jones and Family - February 06 at 03:51 PM

LF

“ Lindsey Jones and Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..



Lindsey Jones and Family - February 06 at 03:51 PM

KD

“ *Kathy DeRuggiero purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Edward Thomas Connelly Jr..*



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**Kathy DeRuggiero** - February 06 at 02:58 PM