



## Thomas "Tom" R. Miller

December 18, 1956 - June 17, 2024

Thomas "Tom" Robert Miller, age 67 of Mattoon, IL passed away at 10:27 PM, Monday, June 17, 2024, at Willow Breeze Hospice House in Mattoon, IL.

A funeral service in his honor will be held at 12:00 PM, Wednesday, June 26, 2024, at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938. Pastor Mike Wallace will officiate. A committal service will immediately follow at Bethel Cemetery in Lafayette Township, IL. The visitation will be held from 10:00 am until the time of service at the funeral home.

Tom was born on December 18, 1956, in Mattoon, IL to Robert N. and Shirley A. (Scott) Miller. He is survived by his parents of Mattoon, IL; significant other, Regina McDaniel of Mattoon, IL; five children: Clark T. Miller of Charleston, IL, Lauren R. Miller and significant other Tristan Copsy of Mattoon, IL, Hannah J. Walker and husband Clayton of Mattoon, IL, Londen R. Miller of Mattoon, IL, Millie A. C. Miller of Mattoon, IL; six grandchildren: Lyla R., Derek T., and Dominic E. Montgomery, Saylor G. Copsy, Peyton J., and Kaye C. Walker all of Mattoon, IL; one sister, Lisa M. Lang of Mattoon, IL; and one nephew, Garrett J. Lang of Mattoon, IL.

In 2018, Tom retired as an assistant pressman from RR Donnelley in Mattoon, IL after more than thirty dedicated years. This was a priceless decision that allowed him more time to focus on the needs of his family and build lasting memories. As a young man he worked at Scotts Yamaha in Mattoon, IL with his grandfather.

A true outdoorsman, he enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, mushroom

hunting, and walking the banks of lakes with his children looking for fishing lures, arrow heads, and items that had been left behind. He loved riding motorcycles, motocross racing, playing and coaching volleyball, vegetable gardening, and had a knack for building and fixing things.

Tom's love and dedication to his family was unquestionable. He was always present, supportive, and encouraging. He was a fun-loving father and found much humor in staging awkward and/or embarrassing situations for his children. He always loved carrying his youngest daughter, Millie, on his shoulders, and took pride in taking her to school daily and walking her inside. He cherished moments with his grandchildren and enjoyed taking them on walks and mule rides.

Tom leaves a legacy of love, loyalty, and endless memories. He will be dearly missed by his adoring family and friends.

Memorials in his honor may be given to the family in care of Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938.

Please visit [www.mitchell-jerdan.com](http://www.mitchell-jerdan.com) or [www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome](http://www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome) to light a virtual candle in his honor or share a memory with the family.

# Cemetery Details

**Bethel Cemetery**

## Previous Events

### Visitation

**JUN 26.** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home Ltd.  
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### Service

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# Tribute Wall

DM

“ I got to see a lot of Tom and his son Londen when he and Vince rebuilt my porch a couple of years ago. He was always in good spirits and kept us all smiling. I was so very sorry to learn of his sudden passing, and my thoughts are with his family.

Deb Murphy - July 01, 2024 at 12:57 PM

DH

“ Haven't seen him since high school but he was a kind kid always said "zapping" to me when he saw me.

Donald e Hilligoss - June 29, 2024 at 11:41 AM

BM

“ So sorry to hear of Tom's passing. I send my love to Uncle Bob, Auntie Ann and Lisa. Rest in peace cuz!

Beth Miller - June 29, 2024 at 09:48 AM

BB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. I lived next to Tom, his parents and grandparents for many years. Growing up next door, it seemed that he could do ANYTHING! He was such a great guy. He always had time to stop and say hello and just chat a bit. My son and his youngest both attend Williams Elementary. I will definitely miss talking with him at school functions. We would always wave at each other on his way home from picking her up from school.

Ben Baker - June 26, 2024 at 04:39 PM

JB

“ Jennifer B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas "Tom" R. Miller.

Jennifer B. - June 25, 2024 at 05:23 PM

RC

“ I'm going to miss crossing paths with you and talking fishing with you you asking me about my boys and watching you light up when you talk about your kids and that damned old ornery smile of yours.  
SIDE OUT MY FRIEND

Randy Comstock - June 25, 2024 at 08:48 AM

DL

“ Donna L. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas "Tom" R. Miller.

Donna L. - June 24, 2024 at 03:30 PM

MB

“ We met Tom several years ago when we were just getting started with showing goats and he was the guy that everyone knew (whether they did or not) and treated everyone like a friend. He took our kids under his wing and taught them whatever he could to help them succeed. He was the kind of guy that so many people looked up to and will be greatly missed by so many.



Mikki Balmer - June 24, 2024 at 12:48 PM

DM

“ So sorry to hear about Tom, hadn't seen Tom for a while but Robin and I had a good long talk with him, uncle Bob and auntie Ann last fall. Our prayers for the family's.

Dan Miller - June 23, 2024 at 11:12 PM

KC

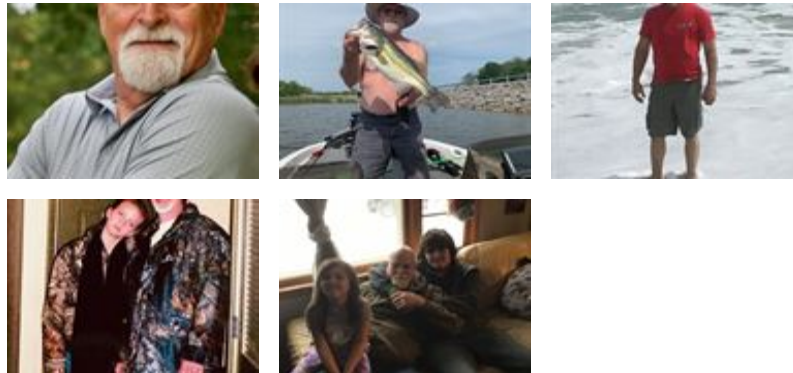
“ Kathi Janssen Cobble lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" R. Miller



kathi janssen cobble - June 22, 2024 at 06:28 PM



“ 110 files added to the album Life Tributes



Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home - June 21, 2024 at 07:24 PM

RC

Gonna miss running into you and listening to you talk about fishing and talk about what you have been up to and you asking about my boys and seeing you light up when you talk about your kids. You were always positive and a good time to be around. Gonna miss you and your ornery smile. Side Out my friend RANDY COMSTOCK

Randy Comstock - June 22, 2024 at 09:52 AM

SS

“ Stacy Sewell lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" R. Miller



Stacy Sewell - June 19, 2024 at 07:58 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" R. Miller.



June 19, 2024 at 06:47 PM

DW

“ Dustin & Kim Wallace planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas "Tom" R. Miller.

Dustin & Kim Wallace - June 19, 2024 at 06:47 PM

L(

“ I met Tom at WES wen he always brought Millie to School in the morning and wen he picked her up!! He was such a amazing and kind gentleman!! I'm truly sorry to hear this sad news!! Millie's face always lit up wen she saw him come and suprise her at lunch!! I always gave him a rough time at lunch wen he came in for her lunch!! I would tell him you bring Millie lunch you bring mrs Linda lunch!! He thought it was hilarious and would always say well I didn't know wat you wanted!!! Amazing man!! He definitely loved his kids and Regina with his whole heart I'm truly sorry for your loss

Linda Thompson (WES) - June 19, 2024 at 06:38 PM

WB

“ Tom was one of a kind. Always cheerful and nice. He was my neighbor for over 20 years. Best neighbor a person could have



Wanda Baker - June 19, 2024 at 05:48 PM



“ Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" R. Miller.



June 19, 2024 at 05:11 PM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" R. Miller.



June 19, 2024 at 05:11 PM

AM

“ Bob, Ann, Lisa, Gina, Clark, Lauren, Hannah, Londen & Millie - we are so sorry for your loss! Keeping you all in our thoughts & prayers! I grew up living next to Bob & Ann, Leo & Maxine & Tom. Tom was such a happy, friendly person. Loved chatting with him when our paths would cross over the years. Such a huge loss for you all!  
Amy (Baker) Miller

Amy Miller - June 19, 2024 at 03:40 PM