



## Mr. Thomas L. McCarthy

March 16, 1937 - August 17, 2023

Thomas L McCarthy 86, of McGraw passed away on August 17, 2023, at the Crown Park Rehabilitation and Nursing Center. He was born on March 16, 1937, in Acton, Massachusetts.

Tom made his home on South Hill Road in McGraw where he and his wife Lorraine (deceased) raised six boys and cared for a myriad of animals throughout those years on his "Gentleman's Farm". He graduated from Bridgeport University (BA), where he stayed on as a teacher/coach before beginning his professional career. Harcourt Brace Jovanovich brought him to the area in 1966 to sell textbooks to High Schools throughout Upstate NY, a job he loved for over 45 years and excelled at due to his social personality and his ability to interact with people made him successful in his career and life. Tom served on the McGraw School Board for many years rising to President and was also on the initial Board of Directors (President) that successfully brought ice hockey (CCYHA) to the area. An avid golfer, skier, and a man who loved to dance. He enjoyed being with his family at events and gatherings throughout his life. Tom was proud to have grown up on a farm and thankful to spend his later years on a farm working the fields

Tom is survived by his six sons: Thomas Jr (Lisa) of Newtown Square, PA; Shane (Susan) of Portsmouth, RI; Sean (Lindsay) of Alexandria, VA; Brendan (MJ) of Melrose, MA; Denis of McGraw, NY; and Padraic (Gretchen) of New

Milford, CT. He is also survived by twelve grandchildren: Meghan, Katelyn, Shane, Shannon, Kaelyn, Quinn, Lane, Maeve, Cara, Keegan, Hank and Doug. A celebration of life is planned for August 31\* with calling hours at The Riccardi Funeral Home in Cortland beginning at 10:30 am followed by a service at 12:00 pm in the Chapel. Burial Ceremony will be private at the family's request.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked to consider making a contribution to the The Lorraine McCarthy Teenage Volunteer Scholarship Fund through the Cortland Memorial Foundation at Guthrie Cortland Medical Center, 134 Homer Avenue, Cortland, NY 13045.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Your Dad was so proud of you boys! Thank God for the resurrection!!

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**Steve Neathery** - April 29, 2025 at 09:48 PM

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“ i loved him

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**asadero** - October 03, 2023 at 12:18 PM

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“ Tom had a smile that lit up a room and a disposition equal to the smile. He was proud to be blessed with wonderful loving sons and their families. Louise & Tom Gilhooley.

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**Thomas P Gilhooley** - September 09, 2023 at 11:45 AM

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“ Holding you close in our hearts McCarthey's

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**Patrick & Tammy** - September 02, 2023 at 10:39 AM

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“ Cathy Welsh Thompson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas L. McCarthy



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**Cathy Welsh Thompson** - August 30, 2023 at 02:35 PM

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*So very sorry to hear this, love, hugs and prayers to you boys!! You will always be family to me!!*

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**Cathy Welsh Thompson** - August 30, 2023 at 02:38 PM

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“*Thank you for your humor, smile and a wink. Our evening watching Lawrence Welk will remain one of my favorites. You will be missed. God bless.*

*Tammy Gale*

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**Tammy Gale** - August 25, 2023 at 01:48 PM