



Thomas J. "Tom" Urban

December 1, 1962 - December 15, 2020

Thomas (Tom) Urban, 58, of Central City, died December 15, 2020 at St Elizabeth Hospital in Lincoln, NE. A public visitation will be held on Saturday, December 19, 2020 from 2-4 p.m. at Solt-Wagner Funeral Home in Central City. Private family services will be held at a later date.

Memorials are suggested to the family to be designated at a later time. Condolences can be sent to the family at www.soltwagnerfuneral.com.

Tom was born in Fremont, Nebraska on December 1st, 1962, to Arthur and Elma June (Neal) Urban, the eldest of two siblings, Tom grew up on his family's farm near Chambers. Tom graduated from Chambers High School and attended University of South Dakota, Springfield. Tom married his high school sweetheart, Dawn in 1981.

The couple moved from Lincoln to Grand Island in 1990 so that Tom could manage a newly-opened branch for Weathercraft Roofing Co. They moved to Central City in 1996. In 2006, Urban started Tri-City Group Roofing Company, where he worked tirelessly to build his company and provide for his family and employees. He loved taking care of people, especially family and friends, Nebraska football, and spending time with his family at Sherman Reservoir, pulling wake boarders behind his boat. Tom spent as much time as possible with his grandkids, leading outings to watch Nebraska games, going to the

lake, and making several trips to Detroit to spend time with his grandchild there.

Tom was known by most for his quick wit. He loved to joke and make people laugh, especially in a large room of people. Those that knew him best remark upon his selflessness. He strived to live out his faith in several ways. He and his wife became adoptive parents in 1994, and foster parents soon after. In 25 of years of fostering and adopting, the family had over 12 different children that they cared for. Tom also gave freely of his time by volunteering in the community. At various times Tom coached baseball in Central City and Grand Island, softball in Central City, and football at Nebraska Christian High School. He donated large amounts of time, material, and labor to both Nebraska Christian High School, where his children attended, and to the State Theater Historical Preservation in Central City. He was also an AWANA leader for many years at First Baptist Church of Cairo and Community Bible Church in Central City.

He is survived by his wife of 38 years, Dawn (Garwood) Urban of Central City, sons: Jay (Lizzie) of Cleveland, OH, Caleb of Platte Center, Kevin of Grand Island, Darien of Central City, daughter: Holly (Tyson) of Monroe, brother: Arthur Jr. of Archer, grandchildren: Jordan, Shane, Brock, Aiden, Raeleigh, Kendalyn, Annorah. Dawn and Tom were also the permanent guardian of Delno Pedersen.

He was preceded in death by his own parents, almost exactly 20 years ago (December 23rd, 2000) and by a daughter, "Annie" Shalonda MarieAnne in 2001.

Cemetery Details

Central City Cemetery

Central City, NE 68826

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **19**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

PO

“ So sorry for your loss Dawn. Tom was a decent and caring human being. He will be missed. May God be with you and your family.

Pat O'Malley - December 22, 2020 at 04:13 PM

MM

“ Tom was a good and kind man with compassion on all whom he met. Ann and I will be praying for you during this sad time. Dawn, we extend our deepest sympathy.

Mark McClenahan - December 19, 2020 at 03:58 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas J. "Tom" Urban.



December 18, 2020 at 10:47 PM

BG

“ Bendix Air Supply & Drivetrain Group purchased the Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White for the family of Thomas J. "Tom" Urban.



Bendix Air Supply & Drivetrain Group - December 18, 2020 at 03:42 PM

DC

“ We are so very sorry to hear of your terrible loss...way too soon..God comfort you with your memories ❤️

Dave and Kathy Chase - December 18, 2020 at 12:37 PM



“ Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Thomas J. "Tom" Urban.



December 18, 2020 at 12:07 PM

RG

“ Our deepest sympathy.

*Russ Giesenhagen, John Giesenhagen, Steve Mostek
Mid Plains Construction Co*

Russ Giesenhagen - December 18, 2020 at 12:06 PM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas J. "Tom" Urban.



December 18, 2020 at 11:31 AM

MM

“ Mike & Brenda McNair purchased the Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- All Red for the family of Thomas J. "Tom" Urban.



Mike & Brenda McNair - December 18, 2020 at 11:30 AM

DR

“ Tom I'll always remember you for your friendship and all the many great times we had growing up in Chambers. From band to football and etc. he could always be counted on to give his all. Sending our thoughts and prayers to your family!
Doug Rowse

Doug Rowse - December 18, 2020 at 10:48 AM

AJ

“ I remember Tom when he lived in the Chambers area. He was a good kid and a very respectful teenager in high school. It sounds like he did not change, but spread his goodness and love to his friends and family. God bless your family.

Anita Koci Johnson - December 18, 2020 at 08:22 AM



“ White Sympathy Baskets was purchased for the family of Thomas J. "Tom" Urban.



December 17, 2020 at 07:32 PM



“ *Peace, Prayers & Blessings - Blue and White*
was purchased for the family of Thomas J. "Tom"
Urban.



December 17, 2020 at 07:22 PM