



Thomas "Tom" Okel

June 13, 1934 - April 13, 2015

Thomas "Tom" Okel, age 80, of Benwood, WV died Monday, April 13, 2015 in Wheeling Hospital.

He was born June 13, 1934 in Benwood, the son of the late William George and Hilda Ida Smith Okel.

He was a retired Machinist for Blaw Knox, worked for Washington Tool; retired Fire Chief of the Boggs Run Volunteer Fire Department; a US Navy Veteran, and a member of St. Matthews Lutheran Church, Boggs Run.

In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by one brother, Bill Okel. Survivors include his wife of 54 years, Irene Finnicum Okel; three daughters, Linda (Todd) Carnell of Keyser, WV, Ladean (Michael) Rodak of Benwood and Leslie (Patrick) Rodak of Valley Grove, WV; one brother, Charles (Ethel) Okel of Glen Dale, WV; six grandchildren, Clarissa, Zachary, Samantha, Michele, Megan and Daniel; two great-grandchildren, Riley and Dane; several nieces and nephews, and special dog and buddy, Maddie.

The family will receive friends on Wednesday from 2-4 and 6-8pm at Grisell Funeral Home and Crematory, 1 Ridgecrest Road, Wheeling/Bethlehem where funeral services will be held on Thursday at 11am with Pastor Sean Smith and Vicar Barbara Oshlo officiating.

Entombment in Halcyon Hills Memorial Park Mausoleum, Sherrard, WV where the Moundsville Honor Guard will conduct Military Graveside Services.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Matthews Lutheran Church, Boggs Run Road, Benwood, WV 26031.

Cemetery Details

Halcyon Hills Memorial Park

Sherrard, WV 26003

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 15. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory- Wheeling/Bethlehem
1 Ridgecrest Road
Bethlehem/Wheeling, WV 26003
(304) 232-0400
<https://www.grisellfuneralhomes.com/>

Visitation

APR 15. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

APR 16. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AY

“ We are so sorry to hear of the passing of your father and husband. Gail and I keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers May the Lord will hold you close and comfort you now and always. With deepest sympathy. Art Yagel

Art Yagel - April 17, 2015 at 02:17 PM

PC

“ Irene and family so very sorry for the loss of Tom we thought the world of him. He was always taking pictures especially of Aliyah she liked Tom it will not be the same without him. We will always be here for u if u what or need anything no matter what or when we are right here..please take care of ur self all our love Dale & Patty Catlett

Patty Catlett - April 17, 2015 at 11:51 AM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" Okel.



April 15, 2015 at 11:50 AM

MM

“ Leslie I'm sorry to hear about the loss of your father. My prayers are with you and your family.
Melinda Masters

melinda masters - April 15, 2015 at 06:42 AM

SA

“ Irene: my thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sara Jo Anderson - April 14, 2015 at 09:03 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" Okel.



April 14, 2015 at 05:13 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" Okel.



April 14, 2015 at 03:37 PM

MP

“ So sorry to hear of your loss, may you find peace during this very difficult time.

Sam, Michelle and Doug

Michelle Plum - April 14, 2015 at 03:24 PM

TF

Sorry for your loss. Thoughts and prayers go out to your family.
Tedi and Mike Ferrell

Tedi Ferrell - April 14, 2015 at 04:40 PM

JO

“ Jeff And Julie Okel lit a candle in memory of
Thomas "Tom" Okel



Jeff and Julie Okel - April 14, 2015 at 11:13 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of
Thomas "Tom" Okel.



April 14, 2015 at 07:16 AM