



Thomas "Tom" M. West

September 11, 1941 - December 13, 2025

Thomas "Tom" M. West, 84, of Huntington, IN, passed away at 3:03 am Saturday, December 13, 2025, at home surrounded by his loving family.

Tom was born on September 11, 1941, in Huntington, the son of Lester West and Melba (Berry) West. He graduated from Clear Creek High School with the class of 1959. Tom married the love of his life Susan L. Petrucelle on June 16, 1963, in Huntington. They settled on the farm, where they welcomed two sons, David and Eric. Living on the farm brought the family a sense of peace and purpose, as they worked side by side embracing the gratification of rural living. Tom was a devoted member of the Bippus Calvary Church and was the groundskeeper of the cemetery. Tom was also a dedicated business owner, operating the WW Locker Plant for many years. He never really retired; he always had some kind of project in the making.

Tom enjoyed the simple things in life and believed in working hard. He was passionate about woodworking and attending to his farm. Tom's creative side led him to many wood projects, rather it be restoring furniture or building something new. Tom's abilities seemed limitless to those who knew him. There was nothing he couldn't repair or create, and his ingenuity was a constant source of admiration among friends and family. More importantly, Tom was always willing to offer his skills to others. He never hesitated to lend a hand, and his generosity extended to anyone in need. Tom was surrounded

by a wide circle of friends and had a remarkable gift for turning strangers into friends.

After a long day, Tom liked to ride his UTV around his land, relaxing with his pipe. He enjoyed telling stories, making people laugh, and was known for his great sense of humor. Tom will be remembered for his helpfulness, skills, and cheerful spirit. Tom's kindness, laughter, and hard work made him special to everyone who knew him.

Survivors include his loving wife, Susan L. West of Huntington, IN; two sons, David (Beth) West of Huntington, IN, Eric (Kristine) West of Gaston, IN; two grandsons, Trevor West, Connor (Mikayla) West; four granddaughters, Ashley Losh, Abigail West, Emily West, Grace West; great grandchildren, Carson & Parker; and his sister, Julie Kaylor of Huntington, IN. He is preceded in death by his father, Lester West and mother, Melba West.

Visitation will be from 3:00 pm - 7:00 pm Tuesday, December 16, 2025, at Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 am Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary with Jim Hippensteel officiating. There will be one hour of visitation prior to the service. Burial will be in Bippus Calvary Cemetery in Huntington.

Preferred memorials to the Bippus Calvary Church, in care of Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, IN, 46750.

Please sign the online guest book at www.baileylove.com.

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary is honored to serve the family of Thomas "Tom" M. West.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 16. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary
35 West Park Drive
Huntington, IN 46750
(260) 356-1710
wecare@baileylove.com
<https://www.baileylove.com>

Service

DEC 17. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Burial

DEC 17 (ET)

Bippus Calvary Cemetery
6111 N. 900 W.
Huntington, IN 46750

Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary has created this video tribute in memory of Tom.



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - December 16, 2025 at 09:12 AM

NC

Beautiful memories, He loved his family you all brought him joy. He was proud of all.
He will be missed.

Norma Carroll - December 16, 2025 at 09:59 AM

MM

Tom was such a nice gentleman and kept everyone in laughter with his continuous humor. It's been many years since I last saw Tom and his smile he shared with everyone. Such a likable guy. Thinking of you and your family, Susie.
Mary (Wall) Machall

Mary Machall - December 16, 2025 at 02:48 PM

KW

So SORRY West family for your loss. Tom was truly one of the “good guys”. I can imagine Greg, Keith and him up there trying to out do each other on funny story's. Prayers of comfort to you all. Kathie Wilson

Kathie Wilson - December 16, 2025 at 06:10 PM

MD

Dear Susie, I just found out that Tom passed. I'm so sorry for you and your family. I'm hoping you are doing well. Please call me if you want to talk. I watched the video tribute and it was lovely. I think you look so much like Aunt Helen.

Love, Marylou

marylou decker - March 07 at 09:39 PM

MD

Oh my phone number is (219) 851-2682

marylou decker - March 07 at 09:40 PM

RB

“ Tom was such a good friend to Steven and I! They both had a love of woodworking and like to swap stories about it. I remember when I was expecting our first child, I came in to the locker on July 3rd. He asked when I was due and I said today actually! He was very adamant that I leave ASAP! A little nervous I'd have that baby right there! He came 4 days later but Tom was very serious about it!! We always laughed about that! I'm so sorry for your loss Susie and family. Prayers to you all. Ramonda Bickel and family

Ramonda Bickel - December 17, 2025 at 10:45 PM

SA

“ Dave and Eric. It has been a long road probably longer than anticipated. Your dad no longer suffers he thrives pain-free with our heavenly father. You can both look forward to seeing him again in heaven.

Steve and Pam Ambriole - December 17, 2025 at 09:32 AM

GS

“ Tom’s beautiful handiwork is seen all throughout the church. Beautiful craftsmanship. Tom and Susie come walking in the church with bags and more bags of fresh cut pine for The Living Christmas Tree presentation at the church many years ago. Both of them always going the extra mile. What a blessing to know them and their boys. Tom was very gifted playing the organ in their home. His favorite he played for me one day was Alley Cat. Could he make that song ‘rock’. Swinging that leg and foot on those base pedals made you want to put on roller skates to the beat! Several men one morning at church decided to try and repair the oil furnace that was not producing heat. Little did they know that Tom pushed a lever to let more oil in. Then Earl comes and does the same thing. Then can’t remember who else did the same thing and when they lit it... the old saying is ‘ Sing til you make the rafters ring.’ Well the rafters didn’t ring, they shook! The guys ears did the ringing, faces covered with black soot, coughing and trying to get to fresh air. Are you kidding...you could not even see thru the soot to see that the back basement door was open. Yet to this day I wonder if the explosion blew it open. If memory serves me correctly one of the guys got hit in the shoulder when a piece of the furnace became a projectile and I think it was Tom who had his head and shoulder at the wrong place at the wrong time. Ironic part was the pastor kept preaching and his only comment was hum! The floor shook! The furnace was directly beneath him. It was a nasty, dirty mess to clean up, but so very thankful it didn’t kill anyone. Hope you enjoyed just a couple stories of Servants of the Lord who gave their all in working for the Lord. Tom is missed already, but what memories and legacy he leaves. Prayers for all of you. Strength and bright hope for tomorrow. God NEVER FAILS. His mercies are new every morning. Great is thy faithfulness. Lamentations 3:22,23
Glenna

Glenna Singer - December 16, 2025 at 09:12 PM

KC

“ Kaycee McGregor, John Probasco,Joey Croy purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas "Tom" M. West.



Kaycee McGregor, John Probasco,Joey Croy - December 16, 2025 at 01:35 PM

BW

“ My deepest condolences to Susie, Eric and Dave. I'm proud to say Tom is my cousin, you taught me how to tie a fish knot , how to thread a catalpa worm on a hook and allowed Mom and I to fish at the pond whenever we wanted. So many good memories about fishing at the locker. Tom always picked on me for some reason, lol, he always made me feel welcome and put a smile on my face. Rest in peace cousin Tom, see you down the road.
Bill Webb

Bill Webb - December 16, 2025 at 03:11 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" M. West.



December 15, 2025 at 03:07 PM

JS

“ To Aunt Susie, Dave, Eric and your families, I am sending all of you my deepest condolences. I remember being taught how to bottle feed a newborn black lamb that was rejected by its mother. Those were special times. Each of you are in my thoughts and prayers. Sending hugs, Jodi (Johnson) Seay

Jodi Seay - December 15, 2025 at 09:37 AM



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



December 14, 2025 at 08:24 PM

PS

“ Peggy Snyder lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" West



Peggy Snyder - December 14, 2025 at 08:16 PM

MW

“ I will remember Tom and his father advising me on the cuts to make when getting a calf processed. I worked with Tom on the the Bippus Volunteer Dept. Many good times with Tom. You have my sympathy.

Max Warner - December 14, 2025 at 06:52 PM



“ I wanted you to know what an honor it was to know Tom and meet his wonderful family. I enjoyed our farming talks and getting to know "Bippus" through his memories. My prayers remain with you all

Fritzi Nodine - December 14, 2025 at 12:50 PM

JF

“ Jeni, Kris, Stephanie, Julianne & families purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Thomas "Tom" M. West.



Jeni, Kris, Stephanie, Julianne & families - December 13, 2025 at 08:43 PM

JW

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

Jennifer W. - December 13, 2025 at 08:33 PM

JJ

“ To Aunt Susie, Dave and family, Eric and family...I love each of you and send my deepest sympathies to all of you. Uncle Tom was One of my favorite people in the world. Such a great sense of humor always. He made my childhood memories so special and happy when I spent time with them. . And one of the nicest people. I was so proud to get to call him Uncle Tom...may he rest in peace. Love and prayers, Jeni Johnson.

Jennifer Johnson - December 13, 2025 at 08:05 PM

TF

“ *The Lopshire Families purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas "Tom" M. West.*



The Lopshire Families - December 13, 2025 at 07:31 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" M. West.*



December 13, 2025 at 04:36 PM

BL

“ *Bryan, Kris, Lon, and Lane planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas "Tom" M. West.*

Bryan, Kris, Lon, and Lane - December 13, 2025 at 04:36 PM