



Thomas Edward Canterbury

January 24, 1951 - May 31, 2023

Thomas Edward Canterbury

Born January 24, 1951, at Holden, WV son of William H. and Elsie “Jones” Canterbury peacefully graduated to his heavenly home after a courageous battle.

Tom always loved to tell everyone he encountered about his miraculous born-again experience which occurred on October 18, 1975, while on a drug run. He never got over God’s Grace in his life! He often said, “If God could save me, he can save anyone”. Tom later became an ordained preacher in 1980 under the leadership of his mentor and spiritual father Curtis Booth. Tom served Pastor Curtis for 15 years before moving into the role of being a pastor himself. In May of 1999, he established Kingdom Harvest Church located in Lenore WV where he faithfully served for the remainder of his life. Tom had many hobbies and enjoyed life to the fullest. His two favorite things were bass fishing and riding his Harley with a host of family and friends. Tom had two special friends that were forever faithful to fish or ride with him, Terry Wallace was his fishing/hunting buddy, and Ronnie Hall was his riding buddy. Tom had a host of ministry friends but the ones he ministered with the most were Pastor Will Compton, Pastor Stewart Farley, Pastor Eric King, Evangelist Dennis Heber, Pastor Terry Jo Blankenship, and Pastor Jeff Floyd.

Thomas is preceded in death by his father and mother William and Elsie Canterbury, his father and mother-in-law Don and Mary Floyd, and one special nephew Justin Lee Canterbury.

He is survived by his high school sweetheart "Brown Eyed Girl" and wife of 53 years Debra Ann Canterbury. 2 brothers James "Late Violet" Canterbury and Gary "Rose" Canterbury. 2 daughters Christie "Lamar" Haynes, Missie "Art" Curnutte. 2 sons Jason "Melissa" Floyd and Tom "Cristy" Canterbury.

He is also survived by his Grandchildren. Chris Haynes, Andrew Floyd, Cody (Katherine) Curnutte, Cheyenne (Justin) Jewel, Paige (Toby) Cranford, Hayley Haynes, Austin Floyd, Aaron Floyd, Alyssa Floyd, Israel (Lakyn) Canterbury, Anna Beth Canterbury, Isaac Haynes, and Tori Canterbury.

Great Grand Children, Navaeh Haynes, Peyton Haynes, Cameron Curnutte, and Wren Collins Floyd.

Also survived by a host of nieces and nephews he loved with all his heart!!!

The family would like to thank the staff of Pikeville Medical Center, His two brothers James and Gary, and his daughter in love Cristy Canterbury for being the best caregivers.

Visitation for family will be Friday, June 2, 2023, @ 5 pm. Visitation will begin for the public at 6 pm at Kingdom Harvest Church in Lenore.

Funeral Services will be at 12 noon on Saturday, June 3, 2023, at Kingdom Harvest Church in Lenore, with Pastor Will Compton officiating. All the grandsons and biker friends will serve as pallbearers. The family requested that all his friends bring their bikes out and escort him to his resting place.

Instead of flowers, the family requests that all donations be made to Kingdom Harvest Church.

Cemetery Details

Canterbury Cemetery

Laurle Creek, WV

Tribute Wall

KG

“ Hi, Debbie and Family, I am So Sorry to hear of Tommy's passing. He was a great man. I will always remember his laughter and joking with everyone. One of my fondest memories of you and Tommy were when you were dating and I was a little girl at Mamaw's house. You and Kathryn would be getting ready to go out with Tommy and Mike and you would put me in front of the Mirror and comb my hair or let me comb yours and you would put lipstick on me and Tommy would tease me when he would come in. He'd tell me I was pretty and ask me when my boyfriend was coming. I also remember when you had the kids and you all came to Cleveland and we went to Geauga lake and Sea World. We had so much Fun. I always wanted to be Happy like you two were. I Love you both so much. Tommy will be greatly missed by many but he left behind a wonderful legacy and many Happy memories. Our wonderful memories are God's gift that get us through these hard times and knowing that we have a promise of seeing our Loved ones again in Heaven. R.I.P. Dear Tommy. I love you all Debbie and family. May God Bless you with Peace. Love Kim.

Kim Grdadolnik - June 02, 2023 at 11:52 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Edward Canterbury.



June 02, 2023 at 07:28 AM

SS

“ Tommy was my childhood friend. Our parents were dear friends. Earths Loss but Heavens Gain



Sharon (Dempsey) Sutters - June 01, 2023 at 11:26 PM

SD

I have known Tommy pretty much all my life. He was a wonderful person to be around. He always had a smile on his face when I saw him. I pray for comfort for Debbie and the family.

Shirley Colegrove Dillon - June 02, 2023 at 01:37 PM



“ Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas Edward Canterbury.



June 01, 2023 at 10:12 PM

CB

“ I've known Tommy for a long time back when I was a little boy I remember when we all used to gether at Mark's house and one night Tommy happen to be there and he told me if you can get by me I will give you \$5 well I tried he threw me around like a little rag doll I guess I'll remember that the rest of my life he was always good to everybody rest in peace go ride high on that mountain



Charles banks - June 01, 2023 at 03:33 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Edward Canterbury.*



June 01, 2023 at 01:34 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Thomas Edward Canterbury.

June 01, 2023 at 01:34 PM



“ *Tommy was such a joy to be around, Rest in Peace.*

Chip Cnterbury - June 01, 2023 at 10:39 AM



“ *I hate to hear this news. What a man of God he was and loved others so well. Every time I came to visit your church to sing he welcomed me and made it a point to make me laugh. You know I will never forget when he drove his motorcycle in the church - that was one of my favorite memories while traveling and leading worship! Praying for the entire family as you grieve the loss but celebrate his way to heaven!*

Karen Shea - May 31, 2023 at 11:33 PM

PD

“ *Pastor Canterbury was a Man Of God, he will be missed by so many especially all at Kingdom Harvest Church he Loved all his sheep. R.I.P. Pastor, I know you are very happy. See you again Pastor and what a day that will be !*

Patricia Davis - May 31, 2023 at 10:34 PM

PD

“ *Patricia Davis lit a candle in memory of Thomas Edward Canterbury*



Patricia Davis - May 31, 2023 at 10:15 PM

PC

“ *Patricia Curry lit a candle in memory of Thomas Edward Canterbury*



Patricia Curry - May 31, 2023 at 09:45 PM