



George A Todd

February 21, 1956 - January 13, 2017

George A. Todd, age 60, of Georgetown and Laurel, DE completed his journey to heaven on Friday, January 13, 2017, at the Delaware Hospice Center, where he was surrounded by his family, friends, and faith. Born on January 21, 1956, George faced a lifetime filled with physical challenges, but always found ways to overcome his challenges with his positive “I can do it” attitude, his kind and loving spirit, and his joy filled, winsome smile.

George’s exemplary work ethic was noted as he worked for many years at Kent Sussex Industries in Milford, and later at Easter Seals in Georgetown. His home and caregivers from the Salvation Army Development Disabilities became his lifelong friends whom George lovingly called his “adopted” brothers and sisters. As a boy and young man, George went through the ranks of Boy Scouts, concluding by earning his Eagle Scout Award, which was presented by then Senator Joe Biden. Very near and dear to George’s heart were his friends and “gym teachers” from Special Olympics of DE, where he participated on the Sussex Riptides bocce team. George celebrated his faith at Christ and Centenary United Methodist Churches.

George shared a lifetime of love with his family. George was preceded in death by his parents, Ralph and Dolores Todd, and leaves behind brother Robin Todd of Seaford, and brother and “sister” Ralph and Jill Todd of Laurel. George also had a very special 20 year relationship with his girlfriend, Mary Lou Voies of Dover. Each and every link in the family circle was an opportunity for George to spread his love and joy as he built more relationships. Two special “other sisters”, 8 nieces and nephews, 6 great nieces and nephews, and 6 dear cousins, as well as many friends, were all very important in George’s life.

A Celebration of Life will be held at Centenary United Methodist Church, 200 W. Market Street, in Laurel, DE on Sunday, January 22 (George’s birthday weekend !) at 2:00 pm, with a viewing from 1:00pm-2:00pm. The Rev. Dean Purdue will officiate. Interment will follow in Odd Fellows Cemetery.

Please remember George by the legacy of his joy-filled smiles, and pass on one of your

own smiles in his memory, especially to a person who seems to need it most. In lieu of flowers, contributions would be appreciated by the Salvation Army Development Disabilities Program, Special Olympics of DE, or Centenary United Methodist Church.

Arrangements are in the care of the Hannigan, Short, Disharoon Funeral Home Laurel, DE.

Cemetery

Odd Fellows Cemetery

West St.

Laurel, DE,

Events

JAN **Visitation** 01:00PM - 02:00PM

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Centenary United Methodist Church
200 West Market Street, Laurel, DE, US

JAN **Service** 02:00PM

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Comments



“ To Ralph, Jill and Robin Todd,
George was very special to me. He was unique in the way he planned ahead and groomed himself before he went out to events. He did not need any reminder. He often talked about his faith. One night when he was worried about his girlfriend being sick, he looked up at the ceiling, and said, "Jesus, please make ML feel better, please don't let her be sick!" And he meant that fervently.
Even though I no longer worked at TSA, I would remember George and that prayer. I am very sorry to have lost touch with George. But I am glad he is out of his suffering. Very sorry for your loss. May God bring comfort for you and the family at this difficult time, as the scripture is recalled. He who is absent from the body is present with the lord.
Tana (Simpson) Warren.

Tana Warren - January 22, 2017 at 06:55 AM



“ Love Ellen Messick Stokes purchased the California Healthy for the family of George A Todd.



Ellen M Stokes - January 19, 2017 at 12:54 AM



“ George was a true trooper and a good guy! It was my pleasure to work with him for many years at KSI. George really put his whole being into finding ways to do a job or task that others believed that he couldn't. And once he figured it out he took great pride in being able to do the new job and he was pleased when we could then use his methods to show others with similar disabilities how they might excel also using the George method! My thoughts and prayers are with Ralph , Robin and the entire family at this time. Please know that George loved you all the most and spoke with pride of you all often!

Rudee Taylor, KSI Program Manager - January 18, 2017 at 08:48 AM



“ I knew George for many years. we lived on Delaware avenue and George lived on Brooklyn ave. George would walk down to our house and play with our dog brandy. I moved to greenwood and didn't see George for many years .i I worked at Walmart in the photo lab and looked up one day and there he was. George was very interested in the cameras and I always made sure to take time and help him. he came in with his group as well as his mom and I always enjoyed taking time to show him the newest cameras and answer his questions. he was a charming guy and I am glad I had the pleasure of knowing him.



pamela haass - January 17, 2017 at 04:52 AM



“ I have known George for 37 years and will miss him. He loved his family and many friends (he made new friends wherever he went). I will remember George as a kind gentleman who was engaging and always ready to share his contagious big smile with others. I pray for peace and comfort for George's family and friends. RIP George.

Mary Anderson - January 17, 2017 at 03:03 PM



“ I knew George through Ralph, I remember when George earned his eagle scout award, there was nothing that George couldn't do when he put his mind to solving a problem. I left the area in 1974, I remember one weekend when I was back in DE, I had gone to the old Salisbury mall, someone tapped on my shoulder, it was George with a big smile. George always gave me a big hug when we saw each other, and that day was no different.

When ever anyone tells me that they can't do something, I smile and tell them the story of my friend George who could accomplish anything he set his mind to, then I would tell that there is no such word as can't. George was a inspiration to the people that knew and loved him. Ralph my thoughts and prayers go to you and your family.

Ellen Messick Stokes

Ellen M Stokes - January 18, 2017 at 11:39 PM



“ So sorry to learn of Georgie`s , as we knew him, passing. We could always expect his visiting Mom on west St. on his bicycle. He didn` t let difficult things in life hold him back. He was a good friend and a real go getter. May God bless and comfort you Ralph, and your family at this time of sorrow.

Charles & Anita Campbell - January 21, 2017 at 01:47 PM