

# THOMAS ALEXANDER LAZAROFF

1931-2024



Tom was born in Pittsburgh to Macedonian immigrants Mary and Alekso Lazaroff. A devoted son, he was predeceased by his parents and brothers, Michael Alexander and Louis. For more than 40 wonderful years, Tom was husband to his beloved Suzanne. He was father to Cynthia, Lynn, Elizabeth (Sarah) and Tom, Jr. (Tina), stepfather to Chris (Liza), Mark (Sue), Suzanne (Michael), Judy (Dale), and

dear Tata to many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Tom was an excellent student and had a great love of learning. He attended McNaugher School, Perry High School, Penn State and Michigan Law, and became an accomplished trial attorney. He practiced at the firms of Meyer, Darragh, Buckler, Bebeneck and Eck, and Zimmer, Kunz, Loughran and Hart, and argued a case before the Pennsylvania State Supreme Court.

A naturally gifted athlete, Tom made an early mark in sports, playing sandlot football for the

Northside Newells, lettering in football, basketball and track at Perry, making all-city halfback, and winning the all-city 4x100 relay race. A Pirates and Steelers fan, he collected baseball players' signatures as a boy and was in the stands for both Bill Mazeroski's World Series home run and Franco Harris' Immaculate Reception. Tom enjoyed tennis, won a club championship in Doubles, and played into his eighth decade.

Witty, articulate and an avid reader, Tom was commended for his enthusiastic participation in the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute's Great Novels courses. He enjoyed traveling, attending concerts, touring museums, and was fond of Rachmaninoff and the Impressionist paintings. He loved to laugh and entertained family and friends with stories of his athletic conquests and courtroom exploits.

He will be forever remembered and sorely missed.

Friends and family will be received on Friday, November 22, 2024, starting at 2 PM, at **SIMONS FUNERAL HOME, INC.**, 7720 Perry Highway. Remembrance remarks will begin at 5 PM.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Tom's memory will benefit Asbury Place, and may be made to The Asbury Foundation at [Asburyheights.org](http://Asburyheights.org), or sent to 700 Bower Hill Road, Pittsburgh, PA 15243.

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