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Thomas Kopunek, age 53, of Rehoboth Beach, DE, died suddenly and unexpectedly on Sunday, August 25, 2013 at Beebe Medical Center, Lewes, DE. He was born in Washington, DC on February 22, 1960, son of the late Stephen Kopunek and Justine Polivka Kopunek of Nesquehoning, PA.

Mr. Kopunek was a research chemist by training, but he and his wife are most known for the local business establishments they created, including Red Square restaurant in Rehoboth Beach and MailBiz and JavaByte Cafe in Midway. Tom took great pride not only in his extensive collection of fine caviar and vodkas at Red Square, but also in the accomplishments of his sons, Ruslan and Philip. Both young men have repeatedly distinguished themselves not only in local sports, but also as members of the Rehoboth Beach Patrol lifeguards.

Mr. Kopunek was a friend to everyone, always had a smile and would go out of his way to help anyone with a problem. His favorite pastimes included time with his family and friends, enjoying the beach and live music. Every restaurant in town knew his favorite beverage: Stoli on the rocks with an olive. In fact, his beloved dog is named Stoli. The many people who knew Tom have certainly lost a dear friend.

In addition to his mother, Mr. Kopunek is survived by the love of his life, Victoria, and their two sons, Ruslan and Philip of Rehoboth Beach; two brothers, Stephen Kopunek of St. Charles, Missouri and Mark Kopunek of Nesquehoning, PA; two nieces, Katryna and Stephanie Kopunek; his mother-in-law, Antonina Radchenko of Rehoboth Beach and his brother-in-law, Dima Radchenko, also of Rehoboth Beach.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, September 7, 2013 at 11:30 AM at St. Edmond Catholic Church, 409 King Charles Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, DE where friends may visit beginning at 10:30 AM. Arrangements are being handled by Parsell Funeral Homes & Crematorium, Atkins-Lodge Chapel, Lewes, DE.



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In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Kopunek Children Education Fund at any M&T Bank branch or by mail to M&T Bank, 19511 Camelot Drive, Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971.

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DF

Douglas M Franklin posted:

Hello Victoria and Sons. My name is Doug and I am so sorry about to hear about the passing of Tom. When I got the call and was told about the loss of Tom and what happen and have read all the information that was posted on the internet. I have had the enjoyment of talking with Tom on the project that we had work on together. Tom when talking with him talked about family his and mine. That on different occasions he would tell me about his two sons goals and there achievements along with his wife and the different project that they were involved with. Such as the Red Square Restaurant where he and I would sit at the end of the bar and start testing the different Vodka and fish eggs in which he was so excided and proud about. I can't say that that was at the top of my food choices. So Victoria and son's again I am so sorry to hear about the loss that you have had and as we also have suffer and will miss him now and in the future. When I have the chance to come to the east cost to visit friends. I would like to take the time to stop in and pay my respects to Tommy and your family. One last thing is that when Tommy and I have talked and been on Skype regarding going over project that we were working on. And photos that I have gotten from Tommy. I do look at those photo and do remember the talks that we had. And before starting that day reflect on him and I will miss him very much but keeping him in heart and mind of what real people like him do and are made of. Victoria again if I can help in any way please contact me to allow me as Tommy would have done if I was in that situation I am sure Tommy would do the same thing. Thank You Victoria and son's except my deepest regards in the loss and passing of Tommy. I hope to hear from you bless you and your family.

September 4 at 8:00 PM

SK

Scott And Donna De Kuyper posted:

We are so very sorry for your loss. Please don't hesitate to call for a chat, a movie, a glass of wine...

August 29 at 8:00 PM

ED

Elaine Dernoga posted:

I am so sorry for your loss. Tom was such a nice man and he always took such good care of me and my parcels. He will be missed. Thinking of you during this difficult time.

August 29 at 8:00 PM



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LD

Laneta Dawaf posted:

This world has lost a wonderful man! Victoria, Ruslan & Philip, I cannot begin to understand your loss. You have my greatest sympathy and prayers. What good times, good foods and good drinks we had at Tom's (The Red Square)! L.E

August 29 at 8:00 PM

CL

Cecilia And Steve Ludwig posted:

So very sad to hear of Tom's passing. He was a fine gentleman and will be missed. Thoughts and prayers are with the family.

August 28 at 8:00 PM

NM

Nora Martin posted:

I know we never lose the people we love. They live the rest of our lives with us in our heart. My thoughts and prayers are with you today and always

August 28 at 8:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Thomas by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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