



# Dr. Thomas Kenneth Baker

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**D**r. Thomas Kenneth Baker, age 87 of Bethany Beach, DE, passed away peacefully on Saturday, February 6, 2021 at his residence, in South Bethany Beach, DE., surrounded by his loving family. He was born on October 4, 1933 in Sudlersville, MD, son of the late Kenneth W. and Sara (Huffington) Baker.

Tom attended Bridgeville High School, where he played football and was an Eagle Scout. He also attended Bullis Prep and the University of Delaware where he wrestled and was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania Dental School in 1959. Tom was a Captain in the United States Army Dental Corps, a Mason, and a member of Kiwanis. He had a dental practice in his hometown of Bridgeville for 40+ years.

Tom and his wife built a beach home in South Bethany Beach in 1968 where they later retired and spent many wonderful years graciously welcoming friends and family to a home filled with laughter, fun, and sand.

Tom was a true American Patriot, with a deep Christian faith. He was a member of Union United Methodist Church in Bridgeville where he sang in the choir. Tom was a lifelong athlete who enjoyed jogging before it was popular, swimming in the ocean and walking on the beach. He had a wonderful quick wit with a sense of humor that was not necessarily proper but always funny.

He will be deeply missed by many.

In addition to his parents, Tom was preceded in death by his sister, Kaye Baker Norwood and her husband, Tom; his brother-in-law, Richard Lewis and his wife, Kay. He is survived by his loving wife of 64 years, Sally Ann Lewis Baker; his daughter, Cheryle Baker Dusingberre (Dean); his son, Kenneth Baker (Ann); his grandchildren: Sarah Brennan (Matt), Brittany Baker (Ryan), Cassidy Baker, and Jake Dusingberre.

Services will be announced at a later date.



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Memorial contributions may be made in Tom's memory to Delaware Hospice Center, 100 Patriots Way, Milford, DE 19963 or the charity of your choice.

Please sign the virtual guestbook located on the tribute page.



# Tribute Wall

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**Joanna Ventresca** posted:

What a fabulous family the Bakers have always been and in whose memory will always keep Uncle Tom as an icon! We had such fun as a vast family group that our Union United Methodist Church in Bridgeville, helped to cultivate. Growing up with such loving family friends made life better because we understand what GOOD means! My prayers are with Aunt Sally, Cheryle, Kenny and Ann and all the wonderful grandchildren.

February 13 at 4:46 PM



**Mitzie Moore** lit a candle in honor of Thomas.

Uncle Tom was one fun, caring and witty individual. His laugh was always contagious! Bethany Beach memories with our two families will always remain! Continue laughing with my Dad among the angels! Until we meet again 🙏🙏♥♥



February 11 at 8:32 PM



**Marjie Poffel** lit a candle in honor of Thomas.

I have been Tom and Sally's next door neighbor, retired here for 10 years, but neighbor for 34 years. I have known no other family as fun, generous, and caring of each other, than theirs. .... with the exception of Tom's large group of dental doctor friends ... a routy group who wear straw hats and take to the street in celebration of ... whatever .. a girl might fear for her safety ... but Sally confirmed my safety, as she was wearing a hat too .. Tom's absence from the joy of laughter, clever quips, devotion to Sally and his family will be felt every day. Rest in Peace.



February 11 at 2:19 AM



**Ralph Scott** posted:

From the Boy Scouts to all of the social life, his smile was the same. To Sally and the kids, you're old neighbor stands with you. Ralph Scott (the old one)

February 10 at 4:49 AM



**Patricia Harris** posted:

Sally and family,, so sorry to hear....my prayers and thoughts are with you at this sad time. Pat Harris

February 10 at 4:42 AM



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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