



Thomas Nelson

April 2, 1966 - July 7, 2010

Thomas A. "Tom" Nelson, 44, of Chebanse, died Wednesday (July 7, 2010) at Riverside Medical Center, Kankakee. Visitation will be from 1 p.m. Sunday until the 6 p.m. services at the Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, west Kankakee. Cremation rites will be accorded following the services. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the family wishes. Mr. Nelson worked as a laborer for Western Utility, KVCC and Sonoma Underground. He was a member of Union Local 751. He was born April 2, 1966, in Pontiac, the son of Allen G. and Judy A. McNamara Nelson. He loved watching TV, especially UFC fights. He also loved his animals and hanging out with his friends. He was a wonderful man and would help anyone in need. Surviving are his wife, the former Jeanne Hamilton, of Herscher, whom he married Sept. 21, 1991, in Gilman; his father of Effingham; his mother of Dwight; his stepmother, Karen Nelson of Dwight; five sisters and three brothers-in-law, Peggy McPherson of Joliet, Lisa and Dick Cavanaugh of Joliet, Kimmeri and Darrin Schull, and Jennifer Nelson, all of Dwight, Andrea and Scott Lowder; one brother, Bill Nelson of Dwight; mother-in-law, Rita A. Hamilton of Chebanse; five brothers-in-law, Jerry (Kay) Hamilton of Campbellsburg, Ind., Jim (Bobbie Jo) Hamilton of Bonita Springs, Fla., Jeff (Shellie) Hamilton of Pontiac, Joe (Lisa) Hamilton of Braidwood, Jay Hamilton of Kankakee; one sister-in-law, Julie (Jim) Landrus of Clifton; a special friend, Mark Vocha of Arizona; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his father-in-law, Patrick H. Hamilton; and sister-in-law, Janet Hamilton.

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“ MY DEEPEST SYPATHY TO TOMS FAMILY, HE WAS A GREAT MAN , AND WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY ALL. PEACE BE WITH YOU TOM+ YOUR FAMILY. CHARLES STALEY##imported-begin##CHARLES STALEY##imported-end##

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“ First I would like to say how sorry I am for the loss of Tom to both his families. I was in shock when I heard the news,I always told Tom he was like a brother to me and he will forever be. I will miss him alot and Tom I will see you when I see you.

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“ Judy, allen, Karen , and all the reat of friends and family , I can't tellyou all how sorry I am for youe loss. There are never enough words to express the emptyness that you are all feeling right now. May God help each in your own way to make it through this tragity.

Love to all and all are also in my prayers. i;½Betty Saassenger and children.##imported-begin##Betty sassenger##imported-end##

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“ Jennie and Family

Tom will truly be missed. I am so glad I was able to know him for the last 5 years.

He has been a great friend to Mark and I. My prayers are with you.

Kathy Striker-Vacha##imported-begin##Kathy Striker-Vacha##imported-end##

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“ Jeanne, I am so sorry for your loss. Tom was a great man. You will be in our prayers.

 Tom ~ Give Shadow a hug for us...now you guys can play all day!!! ~##imported-begin##Karen & Keith Jenkins##imported-end##

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“ NULL##imported-begin##Julie Knudsen Perry##imported-end##

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“ Our brother will always be loved and very much missed. We now all have a wonderful angel looking over all of us. God Bless you Tom - We all love you!##imported-begin##Kimeri Shull##imported-end##

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“ Jeanne & Family,

 I wish you much comfort, pe memories of him to get you through this difficult time. My thoughts and your family. Tom will be deeply missed.

 I (Karen)

##imported-begin##Karen Nelson##importer

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“ My family an i will miss you..##imported-begin##Renee Nelson##imported-end##

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“ Go in peace, Tom. And I'm sure there is MMA in heaven for you to watch.

##imported-begin##Mike McNamara##imported-end##

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“ God Bless all of you in Tom's family; I only met him 'briefly' when 'adopting' my Bear Eagle, a Rottweiler pup, from he and Jeannie less than 2 yrs. ago; I speak of them both often, believe it or not, to my pet, because he knew them 'first'.

I will never forget how warm and friendly Tom & Jeannie both were, when my daughter and I came to 'choose' a pup. I knew I wanted a male, and my two grandsons 'chose' the other for them...it was Love at first sight. I'm a pretty good judge of people, and you were pretty special in your caring for all your pups; that's what convinced us, right away, you'd been a great care-giver to the litter, and their parents.

THANKYOU Tom, for being, if only briefly, a friend; there are 'reasons' why people pass through each others lives, if only for a moment. I'll keep 'you' and your loved ones close in prayer. God Bless.##imported-begin##Marge Brooke-Bear Eagles Owner##imported-end##

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“ Tom, You will greatly be missed as you were a very significant part of our family. ÿ½GOD BLESS N REST IN PEACE##imported-begin##Jeff & Michelle Hamilton##imported-end##

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“ We'll miss you, Tom! Rest in Peace.##imported-begin##Ken & Frieda Funk##imported-end##

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“ We will miss you Tom always.. We thank you for all of your help around here.. We def are gonna miss all the fun times we had together the basketball games are trips to town and the movies we rented.. The list goes on and on.. May God Bless you and until we meet again .. God love you friend###imported-begin###Tonya and the kids###imported-end##

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“ MY DEAREST TOM YOU WILL BE DEARLY MISSED BY EVERYONE THAT YOU KNEW, YOU HAVE THE KINDEST HEART OF ANYONE I WILL EVER KNOW. YOU WERE THE GREATEST BROTHER + FRIEND. YOUR WORDS OF WISDOM WILL FOLLOW ME ALWAYS, AND THE LOVE I HAVE FOR YOU WILL NEVER BE FORGOTTEN. I KNOW THAT YOU WILL LOOK OVER ME AND MAKE SURE I AM OK LIKE YOU ALWAYS DID. i;½NOW YOU ARE IN A PEACEFUL PLACE WHERE I KNOW YOU WILL BE VERY HAPPY, YOU KNOW MATT IS THERE WITH YOU. I WILL ALWAYS MISS YOU, AND MISS THOSE PHONE CALLS (WHATS UP PEGGY) I KNOW YOU ARE STILL WITH ME ALWAYS. YOU ARE MY BELOVED BROTHER ALWAYS. LOVE ALWAYS + FOREVER YOUR SISTER PEGGY.###imported-begin###PEGGY MCPHERSON###imported-end##

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“ Tom,

I miss you so much but realize you are in a better place. I am so glad and feel fortunate that we spent the time together that we did prior to you getting sick. Thanks for helping me with my Final, we got an "A". You were always so smart and loving. I don't know what I am going to do without you but I know that you are with me. Love You, T-Dog!!!
Love, Tater###imported-begin##Lisa and Dick Cavanaugh###imported-end##

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