



Thomas Dale Bosscher

January 13, 1959 - March 21, 2024

Thomas Dale “Tom” Bosscher, 65, of McBain, was called to his eternal home on Thursday, March 21, 2024. Born on January 13, 1959, in Cadillac, Michigan, to Donald J. and Eleanor A. (Ellens) Bosscher, Tom's remarkable journey through life was rooted by his deep faith, devotion to family, and an unwavering commitment to serving others.

After graduating from McBain High School in 1977, Tom pursued higher education at Central Michigan University, where he earned a Bachelor's degree. He began his career teaching welding courses at Mid-Michigan College, a role that foreshadowed his later entrepreneurial ventures. In 1983, Tom founded Cadillac Fabrication, through which he significantly contributed to the development of new downtown Cadillac, crafting bridges, ramps, trailers, and landmarks that stand as testaments to his skill and vision. Under his leadership, Cadillac Fabrication flourished, embodying a people-first philosophy deeply rooted in Tom's personal faith.

Tom's spiritual life was rich and active. He was a long-standing member of Rehoboth Reformed Church. There, he taught Sunday School for many years, served on the Consistory multiple times, was a driving force behind numerous initiatives, and provided anything Rehoboth needed (as long as it was made of steel!).

With his mission-minded heart, Tom responded locally, regionally & internationally whenever he saw the need. He has been faithful to Project Canefire for 23 years. His commitment to faith also took him on mission trips

to the Amazon Jungle in Brazil, where he helped provide wells for fresh drinking water for the indigenous population. Since the first well was completed, there have been requests for thirty additional wells; all in the remote areas of the jungle.

The joy of Tom's life was his family. United with Patricia A. "Patti" Rogers on August 8, 1998, in McBain, he embraced a blended family that included children: Dustin (Katie) Bosscher of Brighton, Caeleb Bosscher of New York City, Nicole (Jason) Snow of Greenville, and Kathleen (Michael) Kasiborski of Saline. His family further expanded to include Jeremy Francisco, Holly & Heather Broedell, Savannah, Chance, Skyler & Cheyene Hurst, Angel Rodriguez-Brown and Vikiana Perez; and grandchildren: Lydia, Eden & Jude Bosscher, Spencer & Grayson Snow, Bianca & Molly Kasiborski, and Ella McCulley. Watching his children grow up was rewarding as he saw them leading faith-centered lives and showing care and concern for others. But grandchildren put an even bigger smile on his face and brought him immense joy. When he showed up, the kids came running! From playing "bear", to Ranger rides on "Sandy Hills", to jumping on the trampoline, and enjoying grandpa's special pancakes; Grandpa was active and fun! Tom deeply cherished his role as a grandfather, reveling in playful adventures and the simple joy of reading stories to his grandchildren, embodying the warmth and love that defined him.

Diagnosed with Stage 4 Liver/Bile Duct Cancer in March 2023, Tom faced his illness with courage, grace, and an unwavering faith, choosing to spend his final days surrounded by the love of his extensive family. His peaceful passing, in the company of his loved ones, was a reflection of the deep faith that guided him through life.

Tom leaves behind a legacy of love, service, and faith that profoundly impacted everyone he encountered. He is survived by his loving wife, Patti; his children and grandchildren; his parents, Don & Eleanor Bosscher; siblings: Rich (Beth) Bosscher, Mike (Vickie) Bosscher, Jim (Cindy) Bosscher, Dave

(Mary) Bosscher, Larry (Ruby Diane) Bosscher, Karen (Greg) Koster, Greg Bosscher, and Jerry Bosscher; and numerous nieces and nephews, each of whom carry forward his legacy of kindness, generosity, and faith.

A funeral service to celebrate Tom's life will be held at 11:00 AM on Wednesday, March 27, 2024, at Rehoboth Reformed Church in McBain, with visitation starting at 10 AM. There will also be a visitation at Peterson Funeral & Cremation Services in Cadillac on Tuesday, March 26, 2024 from 5:00-7:00 PM. Pastor Adam Grill will officiate the funeral; honoring a man whose life was a beacon of faith and love. If unable to attend the funeral in person, please join via livestream to celebrate Tom's life (<http://m.youtube.com/@rehobothreformed>). In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions are encouraged to be made to Rehoboth Reformed Church of McBain designating "Tom's Mission Fund", ensuring his spirit of giving and service continues. An online guestbook is available at www.petersonfh.com for those wishing to share memories and express condolences; a space to celebrate a life so beautifully lived and to find solace in the community Tom helped nurture and grow.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **26**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Peterson Funeral Home
205 E. Cass St.
Cadillac, MI 49601
(231) 775-3411
info@petersonfh.com
<http://www.petersonfh.com>

Funeral Service

MAR **27**. 11:00 AM.

Rehoboth Reformed Church

Tribute Wall

JZ

“ Blessings on you all in this difficult time. I have good memories of Tom during my time at Rehoboth. God bless you, Patti, and your whole family!

Jim Zinger - March 26, 2024 at 04:45 PM

DS

“ Double A Mobile Truck Service purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Thomas Dale Bosscher.



Double A Mobile Truck Service - March 26, 2024 at 02:30 PM

WT

“ So sorry for your loss...Tom was such a nice guy and always had a smile to share. I met him thru UPS delivering at Cadillac Fabrication. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you all. The memories he left behind will be with you forever.

Wanda Thomas - March 26, 2024 at 10:27 AM

YS

“ Your friends at Alro Steel planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas Dale Bosscher.

Your friends at Alro Steel - March 26, 2024 at 08:16 AM

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“ *Your friends at Alro Steel purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas Dale Bosscher.*



Your friends at Alro Steel - March 26, 2024 at 08:16 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas Dale Bosscher.*



March 25, 2024 at 11:08 PM

“Wow, I woke up today to find just one text on my phone: "Tom Bosscher died today." Four simple words, that caused a rush of great memories over many years to flood my mind. We started working together while still at the small 7th Street building. It seemed like our work was a near constant diet of fabricating wreckers and trailers. Our kids were about the same age, and I recall how proud you were of Caleb and Dustin through those school years. How about your blue Toyota Tacoma King Cab Truck, everyone wanted to buy it from you! And then you had met this lovely gal by the name of Patti. I don't feel you were thinking straight for three months after meeting her. I remember one day, late in the afternoon when the office was quiet, you were sharing your big plans for popping the engagement question, how you were reserving a special window seat at the top of Grand Traverse Resort, were having special flowers brought in, etc. etc. Way to go, Romeo! As your business grew you had the new facility built in Cadillac's Industrial Park. Cadillac Fabrication just seemed to flourish, with major contracts coming in for boat trailers, automotive pin pallets, and mobility platforms for the military. This is when you acquired the Yard King yard ramp division from another company, and made that prosper. We knew Cadillac Fabrication Inc was going to be "Big Time" when you purchased the Komatsu Hi Def plasma cutting table, thank you for that. We may have seen things differently from time to time, but all in all both the shop and office where a great bunch of people, almost always willing to work late or go the extra mile if needed. Tom, I appreciated your Christian beliefs and morals, and how those would impact your business dealings, customers and employees. It was as though you made your work, your mission field. Buddy, I'll miss you. I'm sure that when you get to heaven and meet God, He'll have just four simple words for you, "Tom, job well done".

Keven Carroll / Colorado

Keven Carroll - March 25, 2024 at 01:55 PM

SV

“ *Dear Patti and family,
Words cannot express the sorrow we feel about the loss of such a wonderful guy. Our friendship with you and Tom has always been so cherished, he will truly be missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all, as another angel has been called to heaven. May our Lord hold you in the palm of His hand and bring you peace.*

*With deepest sympathy and love,
The Vierheilig Family
Ken, Sheryl, Kurt, Rachel, and Hannah*

Sheryl Vierheilig - March 25, 2024 at 10:18 AM

GC

“ *Patti and family. My heart breaks for the loss you and your family have suffered. Tom was a great Friend, Mentor, and man of integrity and man of deep faith that my husband Brian and I were able to experience and witness ourselves.*

Didn't matter if it was a project he and BriAn worked on at Cad Fab, going for a motorcycle ride together, or welcoming us into your home to break bread after church .

I'll never forget the joy Tom shared that god answered his prayer and brought Brian and I to become worshippers at Rehobath, and that are names were written on the stage under the carpet of the new addition of the sanctuary.

Glad that Tom and Brian are now cancer and pain free in the presence of the God and waiting for the rest of us to join them someday.

gabby Chapman - March 24, 2024 at 09:03 PM



ED

“ Praying for you all Patti. Tom will be missed as a friend, it was a pleasure to do business together with Tom.

Ed Dracht - March 24, 2024 at 08:56 PM



“ Patti praying for your family! Tom was a very special guy and will never be forgotten. He touched so many lives until the end.

Kelly Bazuin Gilde - March 24, 2024 at 08:30 PM



RK

“ Hi Patti, Pastor Rod Kamrath here. I just learned today of Tom's passing and wanted to be in touch with you to tell you that I have such fond memories of him as the president of the consistory while I was doing interim work at Rehobeth. He had real gifts of leadership and I just really respected the way that he guided the church and the fun that we had together. I also attended a consistory party at your house and just felt so welcomed that night as well. Frankly I was very shocked to hear of his passing. Thank you for the incredible obituary that has been written to point people towards Jesus Christ.

Rod Kamrath - March 24, 2024 at 05:15 PM