



Tom Figlio

December 28, 2021

Tom Figlio, born in Upper Darby Township, Delaware County, Pennsylvania, on September 18, 1949, died suddenly at home in Pittsgrove Township, NJ, on December 28, 2021.

Tom earned a bachelor of arts degree in Speech and Theatre at Glassboro State College (now Rowan University). After a lifelong career as an administrator for the Gloucester County Board of Social Services, Tom spent the last 15 years actively involved in volunteer activities with the Pittsgrove Township Environmental Commission, the Pittsgrove Township Planning Board, the MS City to Shore Planning Team, and Paws for People Pet Therapy. Tom was a member of the Screen Actors Guild and worked as an extra in movies and television including *The Last Airbender*, *Silver Linings Playbook*, and *Mare of Easttown*. He also worked as a standardized patient (a simulated patient) at Rowan Medical School.

He was an avid runner, completing 12 marathons including Boston, Washington DC, Philadelphia, and New York, and countless other races. He rode in the Bike MS City to Shore Ride annually for the past 20 years. Over his lifetime, he hiked much of the Appalachian Trail and traveled widely throughout the United States and internationally.

Tom's creative nature was expressed in the cartoons and stained glass he

created throughout his life that are treasured by his family and friends. He loved music and played the trumpet, French horn, and guitar.

Tom was known among his friends and family for his caring thoughtfulness, sensitivity, great sense of humor, and the smoked brisket he prepared annually for Memorial Day. A devoted husband and friend, he was nurturing, loving, and considerate. Tom will be missed by all those who knew him. He is survived by his wife Susan Whitehouse, brothers Karl Figlio and Tony Figlio, sisters-in-law Linda Busby and Linda Whitehouse, brothers-in-law Mark Busby and David Whitehouse, beloved pets Luna and Saoirse, as well as numerous nieces and nephews including Sarah Figlio Hopes, Nathan Figlio, Joshua Busby, Marissa Whitehouse, David Figlio, Rick Figlio, Kim Stroup, Cindy Robinson, Greg Figlio, Alix Green, and Zara Truscott. Tom was preceded in death by his brother Robert Figlio, sister-in-law Jean Figlio, and niece Meagan Figlio.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Tom's memory to The Appalachian Trail Conservancy or The Multiple Sclerosis Society – Delaware Valley Chapter in Philadelphia. There will be a Celebration of Life held for Tom at a future date.

Cemetery Details

Private Interment

Events

Details are pending.

Tribute Wall

GS

“ So very sorry to learn of Tom's passing. I worked with him on both the planning board and the environmental commission. I admired his commitment, enthusiasm, and congeniality. He was just a really nice person. My sincere condolences to the Figlio family.

George Stull - January 15, 2022 at 11:12 AM

DM

“ Just read the sad and shocking news in the South Jersey Times. Nancy Thompson and Bill Gordon have nailed Tom's essential goodness and the wonderful person we have lost. He is all those things and more!
He was one of my first students at Glassboro State (now Rowan U.) and one of the most memorable. Appel Farm provided a way for us to stay in touch over the years. Always looked forward to our at-least-once-a-year meetings!

Please let me know when and where Tom's Celebration of Life is. I would very much like to attend.

*Denis Mercier, Professor Emeritus
Communication Studies
Rowan University*

Denis Mercier - January 14, 2022 at 03:14 PM

NT

“ Susan's best friend welcomed us into his life with kindness, joy, selflessness and good humor. His song writing and paddling along little rivers of NJ will be happily recalled. N and B

nancy thompson - January 06, 2022 at 10:29 AM

BG

“ Tom was a great friend for many years. Always thoughtful, empathetic and kind. He was also a very funny guy. Miss you my friend.
Bill Gordon

Bill Gordon - January 05, 2022 at 07:41 PM

BT

“ Tom & I were on the Pittsgrove Planning Board and any projects that we did Tom was one of the first to volunteer. What little I new of him I liked. He is missed.
Bob Ternay

Bob Ternay - January 05, 2022 at 04:27 PM



“ Tom was a great friend to me. He helped me through my most difficult times
He was there for anyone who needed him without judgement
I will miss him , my friend, Tom !

Maria Albert - January 03, 2022 at 05:45 PM