



## Thomas F Stonesifer

December 21, 1937 - July 18, 2023

Thomas F. Stonesifer, 85, of Chambersburg, PA passed away peacefully in his sleep to be with the Lord on Tuesday, July 18th, 2023. Tom was a pillar in the community, having owned Park Avenue Pharmacy for 43 years, and was an active member of The Presbyterian Church of Falling Spring for 54 years where he served as deacon and elder. Tom proudly supported his pharmacist colleagues by serving as President of the local pharmacy association and was a member of the state (PPA) and national (NPhA) pharmacy associations.

Above and beyond his contribution to the community, Tom was a passionate and dedicated husband and father. He so enjoyed his family vacations and loved to spend time with his grand & great grandchildren, supporting them in any way he could. He was their biggest fan and best coach.

Tom was so proud of his entire family. The life experiences of his children brought Tom great joy . He shared an incredible bond with his sons, Ben, Todd, and Tim and had a special place in his heart for his only daughter, Luann. Tom often joked that she was always outnumbered by her brothers and their friends, and he was very proud of Luann's special ability to teach Special Education.

A hunter and avid outdoorsman, Tom experienced a large part of the United States via his numerous hunting trips. He loved hunting with his sons and

grandsons. When he wasn't hunting, Tom took pleasure working on his farm where he managed and raised beef cattle for 25 years. Tom supported his outdoor passions by his memberships in the Izaak Walton League, Pheasants Forever, NRA, and Ducks Unlimited.

Tom had an infectious laugh, a wonderful sense of humor and was a passionate story teller. He was respected by his community, loved by his customers, and cherished by his family and friends. He will be dearly missed.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Mamie Stonesifer. He is survived by his loving wife of 63 years, Mary, sons Benjamin, Todd, Timothy, daughter Luann, 10 grandchildren, 5 great grandsons, and sisters Shirley Marshman and Andrea Crouse.

Tom touched many lives and made many memories. The family encourages the sharing of remembrances for them to treasure. Please go to [www.sellersfuneralhome.com](http://www.sellersfuneralhome.com).

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to the Columbia University Lyme Research Center at [columbia-lyme.org](http://columbia-lyme.org).

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, July 29, 2023 at 12:00 p.m. at the Life Center at Menno Haven with Pastor Don Baker officiating. A time of visitation with the family will be held from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **29**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

The Life Center at Menno Haven  
2011 Scotland Avenue  
Chambersburg, PA 17201

## Funeral Service

JUL **29**. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

The Life Center at Menno Haven  
2011 Scotland Avenue  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Sellers Funeral Home & Cremation Services created a Webcast in memory of Thomas F Stonesifer*



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**Sellers Funeral Home & Cremation Services** - July 29, 2023 at 08:22 AM

HE

“ *I just learned of Mr S's passing. I feel lucky to have known him and be part of the Park Avenue family of a time.*

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**Heather** - November 25, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *When I was very young my mother always got all prescriptions and all over the counter medicines at Park Avenue Pharmacy. He always greeted you with a wonderful smile and always named you by your name. Tom and his staff were so professional and always treated you like you were family. Heaven got a very good man. My thoughts, prayers and condolences go out to your family during this difficult time.*

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**Joseph Bowman** - July 23, 2023 at 11:35 PM

TZ

“ *The Zack Family of College Ave is so grateful for the brief time we had to know Tom. He was a man that lived up to his reputation in all the best ways - genuine, kind and so obviously a proud and loving family man. We will always remember him fondly. Our thoughts and prayers to Mary and the rest of his family.*

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**The Zacks** - July 23, 2023 at 09:25 PM



“ *I have never known a greater man than Tom Stonesifer in my 70+ years on this earth. That smile and hearty laugh, his friendliness, graciousness, infectious personality, and caring attitude are qualities Tom possessed and traits he has passed on to his children and grandchildren. What a wonderful man and what a wonderful family. May the memories live on. Our condolences go out to Mary and the entire Stonesifer family.*

*Bob & Patti Addleman*

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**Bobby Addle** - July 23, 2023 at 03:48 PM

MB

“ *Forever my favorite Stonesifer❤️ Thank you Grandpa for making me feel so welcomed into your family. I will forever cherish the times I got to spend with you.*

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**Madi Breeze** - July 22, 2023 at 10:10 PM

TH

“ Oh Mr. S, I remember how nice you were to me when I was just a new nurse learning the ropes. When there was a pharmacy question, it never went unanswered by you. I remember our trip to Lynchburg with colleagues to view a new med cart and a new way of dispensing meds. You were positive and made a stressful trip fun. You will certainly be missed. Thank you for your support over the years. ❤️

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**Tappey Heckman** - July 22, 2023 at 09:33 PM

VB

“ Words can not express how much I loved working for Mr S. He always had a smile on his face when we came through the door. Mrs S and him are some of the special people who have come into my life. My condolences to all the family.

*With much love,  
Val Beltz*



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**Val Beltz** - July 22, 2023 at 04:43 PM

AT

“ God smiled on me the day I met you.  
My heart is so deeply saddened Mr S.  
I have truly lost a man I loved and respected with all my heart.  
I was so blessed to work for you and to be your technician. I learned  
so many things from you. To shake hands, to sign my  
correspondence Respectfully. And to treat customers and everyone  
I met with respect and know them by name. I was your partner in  
crime to play jokes on the guys at the cabin. Your laugh made me  
laugh.  
We shared a love for advertising and I was so fortunate to learn  
from you and become your marketing partner.  
Thank you for teaching me, placing your trust in me and being my  
mentor for nearly 40 years. I will miss your voice (and your  
voicemails) and your sense of humor, and of course the laughter.  
I will see you again in Heaven and I'll just follow the laughter, I know  
it will be you.  
I love you Tom Stonesifer.

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**Amy Thatcher** - July 22, 2023 at 04:14 PM

KA

Chambersburg has truly "Lost" a superior man. Truly an "Outstanding Individual".... his absence will be forever noticed. He loved family, friends and the community. He knew his clients. Park Ave. sent me sympathy card after my mom died...again, dedicated to the community

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**Karen** - July 24, 2023 at 07:02 AM

BS

I remember buying my car 17 years ago which came with tickets to the Barrett-Jackson auction in Scottsdale. Knowing I would never use them, I gave them to Tom knowing he and Maty had a place there. I told him to have a good time and not to be too tempted. When I saw him later, I asked him how it went, he said he saw things he would never see again. He was truly a fine gentleman and I am proud to have had him as a good friend. He will surely be missed by us all. Blessings to all the family. Bill Sellers

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**bill sellers** - July 24, 2023 at 07:34 AM

DK

*Tom Stonesifer hired me in August of 1965. My duties began behind the fountain service. I jerked sodas , dipped ice cream, and was the bottle washer what was generally known as the snack bar. Later on I graduated to the main store. Mary taught me how to use the register in front of the pharmacy and drilled my on the location of all the inventory in the store, which was considerable. During the time I worked for Tom and Mary, I probably spent more time then I did at home. I learned more from Tom in practical terms than I did from my formal schooling. Tom worked my like a borrowed mule and I loved it. I could spend hours talking about my experience at Park Avenue Pharmacy and the Stonesifer Family because I was very much part of them. Too many stories to tell.*

*The ONE experience that I want to share is the day of inventory. It took place on the 1st of January each year. The whole staff reported that morning at 8:00am. Tom organized the folks in pairs and he always had my as his recorder. Tom went through products like buzz saw and by noon all of the inventory was recorded. Mary had a great lunch for us and afterward came the extentions- that was part of the process where individual items were multiplied by the number on hand. This,of course, was prior to the age of calculators. Many a pencil was worn stubby until 6:00pm that evening. It was an experience I remember fondly. Tom was very much a father figure to me during my high school days. Later he and Mary became friends. They watched me graduate from College and were present at my marriage to Martha, my wonderful wife. I will miss Tom more than one can imagine. I look forward to coming to Chambersburg and spending time with Mary and the family.*

*I will miss that window shattering laugh of his terribly. God bless you Tom Stonesifer and your Blessed family.*

*Dave Kennedy*

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**David Kennedy** - July 30, 2023 at 05:06 PM