



## Thomas "Tom" Anthony Fratino

February 24, 1957 - July 26, 2017

Mr. Thomas "Tom" Anthony Fratino age 60 of Fernandina Beach, FL, passed away on Wednesday afternoon, July 26, 2017.

Born in Euclid, OH, he was one of four children born to Tony and Dorothy Ann Tarasco Fratino. He grew up in Euclid and was a graduate of Euclid High School, Class of 1975. After high school, he attended Ohio University where he graduated with his degree in Electrical Engineering. After college, he began a long career as an Electrical Engineer with M.K. Ferguson in Cleveland, OH, as the Project Engineer. In 1985, he met Kathy Denise Poarch whom he would marry in 1986. The Fratinos' made their first home in Mentor where he would later accept a position with Avery Dennison as an Electrical Engineer. In 1995, he joined Tropicana in Fort Pierce, FL, where he worked until joining Technical Associates in Albany, GA, in 2003. In 2011, he accepted an invitation to join Rock Tenn as a Senior Electrical Engineer. During his career as an Electrical Engineer, he traveled to and contributed to projects in 42 different states. Tom was an avid sports fan. He played hockey throughout high school and college, coached his son's hockey teams and was a voracious fan of the Cleveland Browns and Cavaliers. True to his Italian heritage, he enjoyed attending the Wickliffe Italian American Club where he was a member with his family and played in the Bocci League. He enjoyed entertaining and any activity that included good food. His family recalls the enjoyment that only an Electrical Engineer would have through his

synchronized holiday lighting and decoration of their homes.

Mr. Fratino leaves behind his wife of 32 years, Kathy D. Fratino, Fernandina Beach, FL, sons, Stephen Diffenbacher (Peggi), Jupiter, FL, Thomas Fratino II, Fernandina Beach, FL, Anthony Fratino (Katie), Jacksonville, FL, a daughter, Cadence Fratino, Fernandina Beach, FL, his parents, Tony and Dorothy Fratino, Willoughby, OH, two sisters, Linda Moffa (Gerry), Winter Springs, FL, Karen Vance (Walt), Concord, OH, a brother, Joseph "Joe" Fratino (Heather), Parker, CO, and many nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 4-8 p.m. Wednesday at the Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH, 44060. A funeral service in his memory will be held 11 a.m. Thursday at the funeral home. Interment will be in Perry Cemetery.

Please offer condolences at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 2.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center  
8466 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 255-3401  
ajs@brunners.com  
<https://www.brunners.com/>

## Funeral Service

**AUG 3.** 11:00 AM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center  
8466 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 255-3401  
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## Interment

**AUG 3** (ET)

Perry Twp. Cemetery  
3840 Middle Ridge Rd.  
Perry Twp., OH 44081  
(440) 259-3963

# Tribute Wall



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" Anthony Fratino.*



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August 03, 2017 at 08:38 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" Anthony Fratino.*



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August 01, 2017 at 11:12 AM



“ *The Charles Thifault family of Ormond Beach, Florida would like to send their sympathy to the family of Thomas and also his father, Tony and mother, Dorothy who were long time friends. Tony was in WW2 on the Destroyer Escort, U.S.S. Blessman and he and his wife and family attended WW2 Reunions that were organized by Charles Thifault who was on the same ship as Tony!!!*

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**Cecilia Thifault** - July 31, 2017 at 08:06 PM



“ *Love's Journey was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" Anthony Fratino.*



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July 31, 2017 at 03:59 PM



“ *I was saddened to hear Of Tommy's passing. My most sincere condolences to the Fratino families and God Bless you. He will always be with you in your hearts, and thoughts. May he Rest In Peace.*

*Love to all,  
Anita Antonacci*

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**Anita Antonacci** - July 31, 2017 at 01:18 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with Tommy's family. May your fondest memories of him remain in your hearts forever. Love, Jeanie & Gene Antonacci*

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**Jeanie & Gene Antonacci** - July 31, 2017 at 09:13 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy to the Fratino family. Tom was a childhood friend and a fellow Bobcat. Ralph Zuponcic*

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**Ralph Zuponcic** - July 30, 2017 at 05:55 PM