



## Thomas Michael VanNorman

March 22, 1996 - May 16, 2016

Thomas VanNorman, age 20, of Ten Mile, Tenn., passed away unexpectedly Monday, May 16.

Thomas was the beloved third son of Robert and Denise VanNorman of Ten Mile. He also is survived by two brothers, Robert Gerald VanNorman and Joseph Paul VanNorman, and several beloved aunts and uncles.

Family will receive friends Thursday May 19, 2016 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Luminary United Methodist Church in Ten Mile, with the funeral service beginning at 7 p.m. The Rev. Chuck Griffin will lead the service. Luminary is located at 3401 River Road, Ten Mile, Tenn., 37880.

Thomas graduated with honors from Roane County High School in 2015, and most recently graduated from Southeast Lineman Training Center's Electrical Lineworker Program in Trenton, Ga. He had expressed great excitement about his work, knowing he could help others in difficult times.

He also had long been known by all of his neighbors in Ten Mile as a helpful, friendly young man, one always willing to take on extra work to lighten other people's burdens. An outdoor enthusiast, he loved his dogs, golf, boating and fishing, and was known for his ability to drive boats at a very early age.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to the general fund of Thomas' church, Luminary United Methodist. Kyker Funeral Home in Kingston in charge of arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 19. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Luminary United Methodist Church  
3401 River Road  
Ten Mile, TN 37880

## Funeral Service

MAY 19. 7:00 PM (ET)

Luminary United Methodist Church  
3401 River Road  
Ten Mile, TN 37880

# Tribute Wall

SC

“ We are so sorry to hear about Tommy's passing. Our family was blessed to have known Tommy. Our thoughts and prayers go out to your family.  
"He heals the brokehearted and binds up their wounds. Great is our Lord, and mighty in power." Psalm 147:3,5  
Steve and Darlene Collins

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**Steve and Darlene Collins** - May 19, 2016 at 02:15 PM



“ Footprints Tribute Blanket was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.



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May 19, 2016 at 01:38 PM

DC

“ Dustin & Kori Young and Jody & Kristen Cunningham purchased the Simply Elegant Spat hiphyllum for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.



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**Dustin & Kori Young and Jody & Kristen Cunningham** - May 19, 2016 at 01:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.*



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May 19, 2016 at 12:58 PM



“ *In such a short time he touched the lives of many, and all of us who had the pleasure of knowing Tommy will remember what a beautiful soul he was. Many great memories that will be forever cherished. Praying for you, Bob and Denise, Robby and Joey.*

*“To live in hearts we leave behind is not to die.” ~Thomas Campbell*

*Sharon Cook Morrow  
Jonah, Cooper and Bryson*

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**Sharon Cook Morrow** - May 19, 2016 at 12:45 PM



“ *Bob & Denise  
we are so sorry to hear about Tommy's passing. we know his contagious smile and spirit will be greatly missed. Please know that your family is in our thoughts and prayers.*

*Love,  
Shane & Brooke Stanfill*

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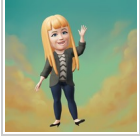
**Brooke Stanfill** - May 19, 2016 at 12:03 PM



*What a great smile with a little twinkle in his eye and loving heart that we will all miss! Your are in our hearts and prayers! Love,  
Steve , Teena, Anna and most of all Steven.*

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**Teena Hedrick** - May 19, 2016 at 08:39 PM



“ I can't even imagine what you all are going through. My heart hurts for you. There are no words I can say, but I do ask that God will bring you comfort and peace.

*Lisa Wilkerson*

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**Lisa Wilkerson** - May 19, 2016 at 11:06 AM

MW

“ Words cannot express how deeply sorry we are for your loss. Tommy was such a kind person who was always more than willing to lend a helping hand. His sweet spirit, humble heart, and big smile will be greatly missed around Bayside. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all of Tommy's family and friends.

*Michael & Kelly Wampler*

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**Michael & Kelly Wampler** - May 19, 2016 at 10:20 AM



“ Amazing Arboricola was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.



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May 19, 2016 at 08:55 AM

BF

“ Bob and Denise, Mary Lou and I send all our prayers and love to you both. So sorry for your loss.

*Bruce and Mary Lou Fox*

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**Bruce and Mary Lou Fox** - May 19, 2016 at 07:35 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.*



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May 19, 2016 at 07:08 AM



“ *May God's love surround you through this pain. We love you too. Meemaw*

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tracy harrell - May 18, 2016 at 09:19 PM



“ *Forever my wingman. Uncle Ken*

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ken harrell - May 18, 2016 at 09:12 PM



“ *Gary & Simone Zimmer purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.*



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Gary & Simone Zimmer - May 18, 2016 at 07:32 PM



“ *Bob and Denise we are so sorry and our prayers are with you and family  
So sorry*

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Pam-Bill Steffens - May 18, 2016 at 07:00 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.*



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May 18, 2016 at 04:41 PM



“ *Dear Denise and Bob- We just learned about the passing of Tommy and our hearts go out to you. Although we had not seen Tommy since he was very young, everything we read seems to indicate that he was a fine young man. We will be praying for both of you, Robby and Joey during the days ahead. Steve & Michele*

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**Steve Croslin** - May 18, 2016 at 04:32 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.*



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May 18, 2016 at 01:52 PM



“ *We wanted you to know that Augusta, Ga is praying for your family. Praying that you feel God's love and peace during this difficult time. Susan and Mike O'Rourke( Mary Gallagher's aunt and uncle )*

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**Susan O'Rourke** - May 18, 2016 at 01:12 PM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.



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May 18, 2016 at 01:00 PM



“ Shelby Morton (Gigi) purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.



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**Shelby Morton (Gigi)** - May 18, 2016 at 08:26 AM



“ Bob im so sorry to hear about your familys loss no words can make this time easy but remember god has a plan and you have many friends that will be there to help and support you in this time of need.

*Rick Nichols*

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**Rick Nichols** - May 18, 2016 at 07:08 AM

SM

“ Denise, I'm Shelby Morton, Steven's grandma, other wise Gigi. That's what Tommy called me too. He was a very fine young man. I loved him dearly. He and Steven helped me when I needed help. It is with a very heavy heart I write to you. I have been praying for you and Bob and his older brother constantly since Monday. Steven will never have a closer or better friend than Tommy. God Bless you and your family. If you need to talk to someone not so close to you but one who loves Tommy , I'm here.

Shelby J Morton - May 18, 2016 at 06:55 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.



May 18, 2016 at 06:54 AM

KH

“ Tommy was a sweet young man and will be missed by all who knew him. My prayers are with his family and friends  
Kara

Kara Hibbard - May 18, 2016 at 06:05 AM

RJ

“ Rob & Robin Fran & Dan Dorothy & John Jane & Jim purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.



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**Rob & Robin Fran & Dan Dorothy & John Jane & Jim** - May 18, 2016 at 12:19 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Michael VanNorman.



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May 17, 2016 at 11:47 PM

DC

“ I knew Tommy since he was a young thing and from the very minute, I knew I loved that kid. He was always the kindest, most polite, young man. Always, always, smiling. I often wondered if he went to sleep smiling. Just spoke with him day before this happened and he came up and gave me a hug with that big old smile that made his whole face light up and I will treasure that moment. RIP you sweet young man. Prayers to all the family! He was surely a treasure

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**Debbie Colburn** - May 17, 2016 at 09:01 PM

SM

“ Precious Tommy. I could always count on Tommy 's sweet smile and happy attitude to lift the spirits of an entire class. I feel so grateful to have been blessed with such a pleasant, hard working, young man. He was very special to me... Always kind, always respectful, always helpful.... One of the few in my many years of teaching who said, "yes,mam " and "no mam" , "good morning"....I pray that his family cherish all of the gifts he gave us in such a short time. "He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me" (Psalms). Suzanne Miller RCHS

suzanne miller - May 17, 2016 at 09:00 PM

LG

“ I'm at a loss of words. Tommy has the most beautiful soul I have ever met. He was a close and dear friend of mine that never failed to put a smile on mine or anyone's face. He will be missed each and every passing day. There will never be a person that comes close to being as unique and caring as Tommy. I love you and I know I will see you again one day. Prayers to his family and the rest of his friends are being sent.

Lonnie Goss - May 17, 2016 at 08:22 PM

SV

“ I only met Tommy a few times, but he just seemed to be a good guy. He jumped right in and worked with my son Jackson teaching him to shoot. Jackson thought Tomcat was the coolest! Tommy just seemed to fit in anytime I saw him. My deepest condolences, and my prayers are with his family and friends.



Steven Valentine - May 17, 2016 at 01:43 PM