



## Thomas Gerald Dantzman

October 30, 1933 - June 26, 2022

Thomas Gerald Dantzman, 88 years of age, of Ocala, Florida, passed away on June 26, 2022 at Ocala Regional Hospital, Ocala, Florida. Thomas was born in Appleton, Wisconsin to George and Aurelia Dantzman on October 30, 1933. He went to high school at Bay View High School in Milwaukee, Wisconsin and graduated in 1953. He went on to earn a certificate in Accounting from The University of Utah in Salt Lake City. He worked as a Supervisor for International Contract Administration for Bucyrus International Corporation for 27 years. He enjoyed bowling, golf, playing cards especially Sheep's Head and Pinochle. He enjoyed taking long walks, playing board games with his family. He was very involved at Saint John's Catholic Church in South Milwaukee as a Eucharistic Minister, Finance Council Chair and cooked for the annual Parish Festival. He was also a dedicated servant for the Jaycees, the Lions Club and The Knights of Columbus. In Ocala he helped serve at the volunteer Fire Department pancake breakfast. Thomas is survived by his wife Charlotte Ruth Dantzman, Ocala, Florida. He is also survived by his daughter Mary Beth Nehls, (Patrick), daughter Cheryl Collins, son Gregory Dantzman, (Deanna), son Thomas Edward Dantzman, and daughter Cathy Bruening (Joerg). Proud grandfather to Joseph (Jessica) Nehls, Courtney Nehls, Jessica (Garrett) Dishman, Kimberly (Matthew) Peth, Rebecca (Preston) Bowman, Zachary Dantzman and Olivia Dantzman, Audrey Bruening , Karl Aaron Bruening.

Great- Grandfather to Margaux, Noah, Christopher, Bradley, Elanor and Laurelin. He is preceded in death by his parents George and Aurelia Dantzman, his sisters Joyce (John) Hyde, Betty (William) Hartmann, and son-in-law Cary Collins.

Visitation will be held on Thursday June 30th from 10:00 to 11:00 am at Our Lady of the Springs Catholic Church, 4047 NE 21st Street, Ocala, Florida 34470 with Mass of Christian Burial immediately following at 11:00 am. In lieu of flowers, send donations to Our Lady of the Springs Catholic Church maintenance fund. Roberts of Ocala Funerals and Cremations will be handling the funeral arrangements.

We would like to thank you all for your prayers, blessings and support as it has helped us through this time of deep sorrow and loss. We know that our dear Tom is safely home with Our Lord.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of the Springs Catholic Church  
4047 NE 21st Street  
Ocala, FL 34470

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUN **30**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Ocala, FL 34470

# Tribute Wall

FB

“ Liebe Charlotte,

*Dir und Deinen Kindern möchte meine Familie, Gerrit und ich unser herzliches Beileid aussprechen.*

*Viele schöne Erinnerungen werden wach und geben mir das Gefühl, dass Tom gegenwärtig ist. Tom hat lange gelitten und ich denke, es ist tröstlich zu wissen, dass er im Glauben einschlafen durfte.*

*Dir, liebe Charlotte wünsche ich von Herzen, dass Du - nach so vielen gemeinsamen Ehejahren - einen Weg findest, allein weiter zu leben. Deine Kinder werden Dir dabei helfen Dein Glaube wird Dich führen und beschützen.*

*Ich umarme Dich ! Love Frauke und Gerrit*

*PS. Jörg can translate this for you - My english is terrible ...*

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**Frauke Brüning** - June 30, 2022 at 11:25 AM



“ *It is with a pleasure to have known Tom he was a Great card player and conversationalist. He loved Char very much and I had the privilege to see that. Thanks for allowing me to know you.*

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**Donna Guernsey** - June 30, 2022 at 09:02 AM

GD

“ I'll never forget the fun we had playing card games, all the times y'all came to visit us. Thank you for welcoming me into the family when I married your granddaughter. You will be sorely missed, but not forgotten. For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

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**Garrett Dishman** - June 29, 2022 at 01:13 PM

FT

“ Fondly, Your friends from AZMI/CVRM Team purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Thomas Gerald Dantzman.



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**Fondly, Your friends from AZMI/CVRM Team** - June 29, 2022 at 01:09 PM

RB

“ Grandpa in heaven; May you get the best seat at the table, may you remember your life well lived, and may you have all the peace your heart desires. - Your granddaughter Rebecca (+ Preston) and great granddaughters Elanor and Laurelin.

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**Rebecca Bowman** - June 29, 2022 at 10:11 AM

PN

“ Rest well my friend. We had a lot of great times over the years. Remember the pig roast? Then there were the resort vacations, always so much fun.  
Over the years there have been so many celebrations, weddings, anniversaries, birthdays and holidays... We still have the tradition that the holiday isn't over till the wine is gone.  
There were so many great times out at the farm.  
You will be missed.

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**Patrick A Nehls** - June 29, 2022 at 07:55 AM

JD

“ Grandpa, you taught me so much about love, faith, and how to have joy in life! I'll always cherish playing games (pit especially), listening to your stories, and laughing at everything. Give a big hug to the colonel in heaven! Love you!!

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**Jessica Dishman** - June 28, 2022 at 08:00 PM

BR

“ Thomas,  
May you be placed in the palm of God's hands and taken into eternal life with all the wonders and Glory of heaven.  
The gifts you have given to all those you've touched will be remembered forever as we await our time to be with you in God's kingdom.  
May the holy Spirit call your name with open arms and the gift of eternal life.  
Amen

Also thank you for letting Cheryl Anne be an Amazing part of my Life

*Bruce Davis*

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**Bruce** - June 28, 2022 at 07:51 PM



“ *Ocean Breeze Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas Gerald Dantzman.*



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June 28, 2022 at 07:33 PM



“ *I remember small moments ...*  
*- really short phone calls before being passed on to Mom*  
*- that just a mile away means actually a long drive and*  
*- card games were Dad knew my hand better than me*  
*...stories about Bucyrus and jokes.*

*I will always remember...*

- Dads generosity and*
- willingness to help when needed*

*... and miss him.*

*Love,*

*Jörg*

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**Jörg Brüning** - June 28, 2022 at 07:31 PM

BR

*Thomas,  
May you be placed in the palm of God's hands and taken into eternal life with all the wonders and Glory of heaven.  
The gifts you have given to all those you've touched will be remembered forever as we await our time to be with you in God's kingdom.  
May the holy Spirit call your name with open arms and the gift of eternal life.  
Amen*

*Also thank you for letting Cheryl Anne be an Amazing part of my Life*

*Bruce Davis*

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**Bruce** - June 28, 2022 at 07:44 PM

MB

“ *I was assigned to Tom when Charlotte was in the hospital. From the first day we met we became very good friends I'm gonna miss my friend. Especially his crazy jokes.*



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**Melvina Brooks** - June 28, 2022 at 05:38 PM

JB

“ *1 file added to the album Favorite moments*

This video is my favorite memory of a caring dad, grandfather and overall good man.  
Rest in peace  
Love,  
Joerg



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**Joerg Bruening** - June 28, 2022 at 05:26 PM

JD

*This is the best video! Audrey was so happy, and this is exactly who Grandpa was! All the way down to the hilarious shake of his head :)*

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**Jessica Dishman** - June 28, 2022 at 08:06 PM

ED

“ Emily (Aunt Mitzi), Jim, and John Dantzman purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Thomas Gerald Dantzman.



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**Emily (Aunt Mitzi), Jim, and John Dantzman** - June 28, 2022  
at 04:35 PM

AB

“ Grandpa, you always made me happy every time I talked with you even if it was just for a few minutes on the phone. I will always miss you.  
Love,  
Audrey

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**Audrey Bruening** - June 28, 2022 at 04:29 PM

KA

“ He was a great grandfather who cared about others. He was a nice man who would always find a way to make you laugh. I hope to one day visit you in heaven.  
Love, Your grandchild,  
Karl

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**Karl Aaron** - June 28, 2022 at 04:16 PM

CD

“ Dear Dad, I remember many summer nights looking up at the stars with you. I look forward to seeing you again in heaven watching the stars. I will always love you and miss you.  
Love,  
Cathy

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**Cathy Dantzman** - June 28, 2022 at 03:36 PM

CC

“ Dad, I'll always remember singing and dancing Nat King Cole's Kemo Kimo with you. So much fun. I'll love you forever. Until we meet again.....

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**Cheryl Collins** - June 28, 2022 at 03:31 PM

MN

“ I Love you Dad Can't wait for you to show me all around Heaven!  
Love Mary Beth

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**Mary Beth Nehls** - June 28, 2022 at 03:28 PM

KP

“ Grandpa was the best. He loved us unconditionally and was always bringing laughter and a smile to our faces. His charisma would light up a room. I will never forget the days and nights playing cards all together as a family, sharing lots of meals, and drinking a nice drink on ice! You will always be loved and missed Grandpa! Say hi and give love to our Daddio up there, I know you probably couldn't wait to see him again! Love you lots! -Kim, Matt, Christopher, and Bradley Peth.

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**Kimberly Peth** - June 28, 2022 at 03:17 PM

MI

“ 23 files added to the album *Dantzman Family Photos*



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**Mike** - June 28, 2022 at 11:21 AM