



## Thomas P. LoPresti

August 18, 1939 - August 16, 2022

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Columbus, NJ - Thomas P. LoPresti, age 82, of Columbus, New Jersey, passed away at home on August 16, 2022, after a long illness. His beloved Mary was by his side.

Tom was born in Plainfield, New Jersey and resided there until he started college at Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Worcester, Mass. After 3 years at WPI, finding engineering to be “not his thing,” Tom enlisted in the Air Force where he became a computer programmer back in the very early days of computing in the 1960’s. The Air Force sent Tom to Wiesbaden, Germany for 3 years programming at the Headquarters for the US Air Force in Europe. It was here that Tom attended University of Maryland night classes in Wiesbaden for 3 years, graduating in 1965.

Upon returning to the States, Tom worked as a Systems Analyst with IBM for many years, applying computers to the information processing needs of hospitals and insurance companies. Taking early retirement from IBM, Tom managed the Alumni Data Department at Rider University until his retirement in 2007.

Tom's marriage to Elisabeth Schui ended in divorce. He was father to two sons, Michael Lopresti (Morehead City, NC) and Matthew Lopresti (Gilbert, AZ) and enjoyed coaching their soccer teams and their participation in sports and life. Tom enjoyed music, first with the Battleground Barbershop Chorus in Freehold, NJ and then with Princeton Pro Music in Princeton, NJ. Most recently he started the Mid-Jersey Ukulele Group in Columbus NJ. Tom was a good man and will be greatly missed.

Tom is survived by his loving partner, Mary Louisa Stanick Klawetter of Columbus and Neptune, NJ, his son Michael (Morehead City, NC) and his wife Shirley, granddaughter, Megan Skye Payne; and son Matthew (Gilbert, AZ), grandsons John and Andrew. He is also survived by his sisters, Joann Lopresti Scanlon of Chatham, NJ, Diane Chamberlain of Raleigh, NC; brother Robert of Bellingham, WA, and his wife Terri Wiener. Tom also leaves behind many beloved friends and family members. Cremation was private. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Shriners Hospital for Children C/O Donor Relations 2900 N. Rocky Point Drive, Tampa, FL 33607. Arrangements are under the care of Perinchief Chapels 438 High St. Mount Holly, NJ 08060. [www.perinchief.com](http://www.perinchief.com)

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