



## Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair

July 30, 1951 - November 18, 2021

Rev. Dr. Thomas F. St. Clair, 70, of Connellsville, passed away and into the Church Triumphant on Thursday, November 18, 2021 at home with his family gathered around him. “Dr. Tom” was called by God to be a United Methodist Pastor and District Superintendent in the Connellsville District before retiring. Tom served the Western PA Annual Conference with integrity and love for all people. Born July 30, 1951, in Brownsville, PA, he was the son of the late Herb and Betty St. Clair. He was married to Susan K. Porter, on May 22, 1971 at Taylor United Methodist Church and they celebrated 50 years of marriage this year. Tom graduated with his Bachelors of Science and Education, Masters in Education, and Masters in School Administration, all from California State College, Masters in Divinity from United Theological Seminary, and his Doctorate of Ministry from United Theological Seminary. He was a member of Phi Beta Cappa, a National Honors Fraternity. Tom began his career as a teacher and principal in Beth Center, Trinity and Bethel Park School Districts. He also taught English as an adjunct professor at California University and Westmoreland County Community College. Tom then served as pastor the following appointments: Amanda UMC (Ohio), Fairview/Nebo UMC, Belle Vernon 1st UMC, Connellsville District Superintendent, Irwin 1st UMC, all in Western PA. Tom retired in 2017 after serving the church faithfully for many years. Tom was community minded and loved the people he served and led. Tom was named Belle Vernon’s Man of the Year and served the Belle Vernon Area School District as a school board member for many years. He

was involved with and served in the Rotary Club, the Belle Vernon and Irwin Area Ministeriums, and other organizations. Especially, Tom's treasure resided in his marriage and family. Tom loved his "special angel," wife, Susan of 50 years. Tom's love for his wife was evident to all. That love carried Tom into eternity, knowing that his wife was by his side every step of the way. In addition to his wife, Tom is survived by his children, Rev. Jeffrey (Jennifer) St. Clair, of St. Johns, FL; Jennifer (Eric) Martin, of Dunbar, PA; Jamie (Casey) Davis, of Belle Vernon, PA, sisters, Peggy (Warren) Liberatore, and Cindy (Robert) Rager, a niece, nephew and many cousins. "Pappy" is also survived by his 8 precious grandchildren; Aaron, Alayna, and Abigail St. Clair, McKenzie and Logan Martin, and Katelynn, Braden and Tommy Davis. Friends will be received on Sunday from 2 to 4 P.M. and 7 to 9 P.M. in the Ferguson Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc., 700 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon, 724-929-5300 [www.FergusonFuneralHomeAndCrematory.com](http://www.FergusonFuneralHomeAndCrematory.com). A Celebration of Life will be held on Monday at 11 A.M. in Belle Vernon First United Methodist Church, 200 State Street, Belle Vernon, with the Revs. Jeffrey St. Clair, Steve Lamb and Ryan Washabaugh officiating. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Tom's memory to Jumonville Camping and Retreat Center. (<https://jumonville.org/contribute/>)

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **21**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Ferguson Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc.  
700 Broad Avenue  
Belle Vernon, PA 15012  
(724) 929-5300

## Visitation

NOV **21**. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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700 Broad Avenue  
Belle Vernon, PA 15012  
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## Funeral Service

NOV **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

First United Methodist Church - Belle Vernon  
200 State Street  
Belle Vernon, PA 15012

# Tribute Wall



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.*



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November 20, 2021 at 01:52 PM



“ *Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.*



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November 19, 2021 at 09:10 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.*



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November 19, 2021 at 02:28 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.*



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November 19, 2021 at 02:13 PM



“ *Treasured Lilies Spray* was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.



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November 19, 2021 at 09:06 AM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket* was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.



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November 18, 2021 at 08:48 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.



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November 18, 2021 at 08:41 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.



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November 18, 2021 at 07:38 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.*



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November 18, 2021 at 04:33 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.*



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November 18, 2021 at 03:27 PM



“ *Our sympathy and prayers for family and friends. Rev. Tom St. Clair was an amazing inspiration to all. Grief is the price one pays for loving another...forever, Andy and Rev. Lois Swestyn, St. Augustine, Florida*

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**Rwv. Lois Swestyn** - November 18, 2021 at 03:05 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.*



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November 18, 2021 at 03:05 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.*



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November 18, 2021 at 12:17 PM



“ *Jon, Joyce, Nolan and Cam purchased the A Full Life for the family of Rev. Dr. Thomas Frank St. Clair.*



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**Jon, Joyce, Nolan and Cam** - November 18, 2021 at 12:10 PM



“ *So saddened to learn of Tommy's death. We grew up together, and he will be missed greatly. My deepest sympathies to the family. I will keep all in prayer.*

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**Sandi Woodward** - November 18, 2021 at 12:03 PM



*My Dear Susan & family, My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Sorry I am not at home so I could express my deepest sympathy to all of you in person. Blessings and Love,  
Irma Davis*

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**Irma Davis** - November 21, 2021 at 09:21 PM