



Thomas Dunion Whalen

September 9, 1931 - September 21, 2014

Mr. Thomas Dunion Whalen, 83, passed away peacefully Sunday evening, September 21, 2014, at his home in Newark, CA with his family by his side.

Born September 9, 1931, in Dumbarton, Scotland, he was the son of Anne Dunion and Michael Whalen. Thomas spent the first 30 years of his life in Dumbarton, where he would meet the love of his life, Margaret Neeson Whalen, and go on to play professional football for Dumbarton F.C.

In 1961, he moved to San Francisco, CA with his wife and three children. He continued his professional football career with the San Francisco Scots. A hard-working, dedicated man, Thomas then spent over 10 years as a tool and die maker at Lenkurt, before settling at United Airlines where he worked as a machinist for 20 years.

Thomas lived a life defined by his generous, caring and compassionate spirit. He was always the first to offer his help – whether that was his time or his money, he never said “no” when someone needed a favor. Described by his family as understanding and a great listener, he was always willing to lend an ear and offer his advice.

He had the ability to light up any room with his dazzling smile and his ability to make those around him laugh. He was a fun-loving jokester who will be

missed dearly by all his friends and family, but remembered forever for his warm and jovial nature.

He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Margaret Neeson Whalen, son Thomas, daughters Patricia and Caroline, grandchildren, Ryan, Chris, Sean, Erin, Laura, Julia, Erica and Mollie, and 7 great-grandchildren, as well as his sisters Mary McMillan, Helen Robb and Margaret Whalen in Scotland.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, September 24, from 9-11am followed by a Chapel Service at 11 a.m. at Fremont Memorial Chapel, 3723 Peralta Blvd. in Fremont, CA.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **24.** 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Fremont Memorial Chapel
3723 Peralta Boulevard
Fremont, CA 94536
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<https://www.fremontmemorialchapel.com>

Chapel Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *I love you grandpa. I think about you everyday. I miss you.*

SeanandBrandi Freitas - November 08, 2014 at 12:01 PM



“ *Wendy W. purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Thomas Dunion Whalen.*



Wendy W. - September 30, 2014 at 03:07 AM



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Ryan Gregory - September 28, 2014 at 10:41 PM

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Ryan Gregory - September 27, 2014 at 08:32 PM

 Caroline Teixeira

I love you, Dad.

Caroline Teixeira - September 29, 2014 at 03:57 PM

CT

That was very nice, Ryan. Well done.

Christopher T. - October 07, 2014 at 12:29 PM

EM

That was a beautiful slideshow Ryan! Thanks for posting it :)

erica moyer - November 08, 2014 at 03:26 PM

 Ryan Gregory

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Ryan Gregory - September 27, 2014 at 07:25 PM

LB

A lovely collection of photos. We have a few if you ever want them xx

Laura Bullen - September 29, 2014 at 04:58 PM

JP

“*It's the weirdest, strangest thing to comprehend losing a loved one. One second they are here and then they are gone. But... I will remember my grandpa for his love of kit kats, his Scottish roots, the fact that he came to America to play professional soccer, his wit and humor, his love for baseball hats, and that fact that he made my mom! She is awesome too! It was a blessing just to know him. Missing my grandpa today, but celebrating and cherishing the moments that we had together. They were pretty great.*”

Julia Ponath - September 24, 2014 at 04:12 PM

MV

“*Aunt Margaret - may you all find peace and comfort in this time of grieving. With lots of love and many hear felt memories...*

Monicque and Family

Monicque Vasquez - September 23, 2014 at 08:41 AM

