



## Tom Flynn

April 14, 1926 - November 6, 2012

Tom Flynn, former Brodhead businessman, passed away on Tuesday, Nov. 6, 2012. He was born April 14, 1926, the son of William and Elfrieda (Zibolsky) Flynn, and graduated from Orfordville High School in 1943. Tom and Rosemary Drew were married June 9, 1945, at St. Augustine's Catholic Church in Footville, WI, and farmed in the Albany area for several years. They opened ♦Flynn's Tap♦ in Albany in 1960, ♦Flynn's Bar and Restaurant♦ in Brodhead in 1963, and ♦Flynn's Bar and Restaurant♦ in Monticello in 1974. With the help of their son, Richard ♦Roundy.♦ they built a thriving business and had a solid following throughout south-central Wisconsin. This began Tom's life-long involvement with the Tavern League. Tom became president of the South Central Wisconsin Tavern League in 1965, a position he held for 25 years. In 1974, he became treasurer for the Wisconsin State Tavern League, a position he held until becoming State Tavern League President in 1981. Tom also served as national treasurer-secretary and eventually became the National Licensed Beverage Association president in 1987. Tom's accomplishments were many while serving on the Tavern League and his awards were numerous. One of his proudest accomplishments was to establish the ♦Safe Ride Program♦ in Wisconsin. He was always an active proponent for the prevention of drunk driving. He was very proud of the fact that he was able to attend 80 Tavern League bi-annual state conventions, which he always said would not have been possible without the help of his family taking care of the business. The Tavern League described his success

due to a friendly personality and having acquaintances far and wide. Tom also took a major role in local and state activities. He was instrumental in developing the Sugar River bike trail from Brodhead to New Glarus. Tom was a member of the Brodhead Lions Club for 40 years and received the prestigious International Melvin Jones award. He also helped start the Albany Lions Club. He was a director for the Rounder♠s Club for disadvantaged youth and a director for the American Cancer Society. Tom is survived by his wife, Rosemary Flynn, Brodhead; 4 sons: Richard (Cathy) Flynn, Brodhead, Dan (LaVon) Flynn, Oregon, Michael Flynn, Pigeon Forge, TN, and Thomas Flynn, Jr., Bloomington, IL; 2 daughters, Rosalie Clark, and Ann (Thomas) Richmond, Brodhead; 15 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; 1 brother, James Flynn, Janesville; and several nieces and nephews. Tom was preceded in death by his parents; son, Patrick in 2003; daughter-in-law, Rena; and 3 brothers: Arthur, William, and Robert. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 10, 2012, at ST. ROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH, Brodhead. A visitation will be held on Friday from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. at D. L. NEWCOMER FUNERAL HOME, 1105 E. 9th Ave., Brodhead. A memorial fund has been established at the Alzheimer's Foundation. Tom loved being with people and enjoyed being with his family. He will be greatly missed by all. The family would like to thank Caring Hands and its staff for the wonderful and compassionate care given to our dad.

# Tribute Wall

JW

“ Please accept my deepest condolences for Tom. He was a true friend and I always tried to stop by and see him when passing through town. HE will be missed very much.

John Hazeltine Elkhorn, Wi. - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

DH

“ I am so sorry for your loss....May God Bless and Keep you all at this time! Hey Tom jr. how r you doing? get ahold of me!

Dianne Henning - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

PF

“ I know the past years haven't been the greatest for Uncle Tom, but it is hard to know that he has actually passed away. He was the best uncle a person could have. Like the obituary says, he always loved being with people and he always made it a point to talk to you. My dad talks about the great memories he had with his brother and I enjoy listening to them. He mentioned how much energy he had..even in his seventies it was hard to keep up with him. No matter the age or the health he was in...it is hard to say goodbye.

Pamela Flynn - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

CM

“ The Murray family wishes to express our deepest sympathy to the Flynn family. Tom was a good man that never failed to have a smile when we came in, and childhood memories would not be complete without time we spent at Flynn's in Brodhead.  
With our condolences,  
Joe, Tom, and Corine Murray

Corine Murray - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

PG

“ Danny & LaVon. We were sorry to read of Tom's passing. It is always difficult to lose a parent. We are in TX for the winter or we would attend the services. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Penny(Whiteaker) & Norm Gempeler - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

MT

“ My condolence To Rose and all your family.We all had such great times together.Tom always with a smile on his face and a joke.My Prayers for all of you.Marilyn

Marilyn DeNure Torkelson - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

WN

“ Sorry to hear of the passing of Tom. Our sympathy to all the family members. Tom & Rosemary were once neighbors and we did like to go to Flynn's in Brodhead. The best chicken & dumplings ever.

Wayne & NoraBelle Nipple

Wayne & NoraBelle Nipple - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

RJ

“ Please accept my deepest sympathies. Tom and family have provided so much opportunity for people to socialize and enjoy Brodhead. Even as a youngster, when my grandpa told me he was going to the "office," I soon learned he was going to be playing Euchre at Flynn's! Tom always made one feel welcome. God bless.

Reed Johnson - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

DK

“ I worked for Tom and Roundy in Brodhead and am so very sorry to hear of Tom's passing. he was a wonderful and joyous man. My deepest sympathies to all the family. I know you will miss him greatly.

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**Deb Konstant** - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

CR

“ *To the Family:*  
Tom was a wonderful man, I enjoyed having him as a resident at Brodview Manor. I will never forget how proud he was of all his accomplishments. Before he moved to Caring Hands, He would carry a folder with all his awards and want me to make copies for him, and then he would tell me about each. He had a wonderful heart and was very kind.

*Colleen Riese*

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**Colleen Riese** - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

LK

“ Our deepest condolences on the loss of Tom. Our family will keep you in our thoughts and prayers.

*Laura and Dan, Meghan, Stephanie and Kevin McGivern*

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**Laura Kulick** - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

NB

“ Please accept my condolences. He always had a smile and a bit blarney. He enjoyed people. I have some good memories of my Dad and I visiting with Tom.

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**Nick Boyle** - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

RH

“ To Tom's Family, Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. We loved Tom and he leaves us with wonderful memories of time spent with him and Rose. God bless you all.

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**ray and betty homb** - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM

JB

“ To Toms Family.....I am the daughter of Roger Breske, He passed away in April. I have heard Toms name several times over the years, bet they are all healthy and happy and having one right now. Our sympathies to your family, we dont know how to let go of our dad, we know the pain you are in. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Jodi Breske** - May 10, 2021 at 11:21 AM