



## Thomas Arthur Fessenden

June 15, 2024

Thomas Arthur Fessenden of Lancaster, PA, formerly of Germantown, MD passed away on Saturday, June 15, 2024 at Trillium Place by Tandem Living. Born in Washington, DC, he was the son of the late Robert Arthur Fessenden and Ceora Mary (Chance) Fessenden.

Thomas graduated from Bethesda Chevy Chase High School, Bethesda, MD and the University of MD, College Park, MD. After graduation, he joined the U.S. Army and was deployed to Thailand and Okinawa. Soon after his honorable discharge, Thomas started his 24 years of career in fire service with the Montgomery County, MD, Department of Fire Rescue Services, retiring in July 1996 after attaining the rank of Battalion Chief.

Thomas was a life member of the Bethesda Chevy Chase Rescue Squad, Bethesda, MD a member of the Mason Dixon Chapter of the ARS, an associate member of the Potomac Valley Chapter of the ARS, and a member of the BCC Rescue Squad Alumni Association.

After moving to Lancaster, Thomas joined the Union Fire Company Number One, established in 1760. His interests included gardening, plant propagation, WWII history and spending time with his family, especially his grandchildren.

He was the loving husband of Anne Lynn (Rankin) Hill-Fessenden of

Lancaster, brother of Mary Fessenden Gilmore of Avon Lake, OH, stepfather of Jennifer Hill Reinert (Michael) of York, PA, Carolyn Hill Consoli (Angelo, Jr.) Upper Marlboro, MD, grandfather of Angelo Consoli III, Nicolas Consoli, Callie Ruffatto, Katherine Consoli and Steven Ruffatto, Jr. He is also survived by two nieces, Kristine Gilmore Brott and Tracey Gilmore Matejka and their children: Cole Brott, Paul Brott, Kelly Brott, Halle Matejka and Moly Matejka.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend Thomas' Memorial Service at St. Edward's Episcopal Church, 2453 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601 on Saturday, August 3, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. The family will receive friends from noon until the time of service. A private interment will be held in the Church's Memorial Garden.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Hero Dogs (raises and trains dogs for Veterans or First Responders), P.O. box 64, Brookville, MD 20833-0064, [Hero@Hero-Dogs.org](mailto:Hero@Hero-Dogs.org), Three Sisters (assist families affected by breast cancer), 18200 Georgia Avenue, 2nd Floor, Suite H, Olney, MD 20832,

[www.F3S.org](http://www.F3S.org), Aaron's Acres, (Camp for Autistic Children), 1861 Charter Lane, Lancaster, PA 17601. [www.info@Aaronsacresorg](mailto:www.info@Aaronsacresorg), or Saint Edward's Episcopal Church, 2453 Harrisburg Pike, Lancaster, PA 17601 [www.Sainteds.org](http://www.Sainteds.org).

# Cemetery Details

## St. Edward's Episcopal Church Memorial Gardens

2453 Harrisburg Pike  
Lancaster , PA 17601

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 3. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Edwards Episcopal Church  
2453 Harrisburg Pike  
Lancaster, PA 17603

## Memorial Service

AUG 3. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Edwards Episcopal Church  
2453 Harrisburg Pike  
Lancaster, PA 17603

## Burial

AUG 3. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. Edward's Episcopal Church Memorial Gardens  
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# Tribute Wall

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“ Sharon Thorpe Kourtz purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Thomas Arthur Fessenden.



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**Sharon Thorpe Kourtz** - July 29, 2024 at 05:55 AM

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“ Howard and Tessie planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas Arthur Fessenden.

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**Howard and Tessie** - July 05, 2024 at 08:55 PM

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“ Howard and Tessie purchased the *Enchanted Cottage* for the family of Thomas Arthur Fessenden.



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“*Davcon Relocation Services met Tom and Ann back in 2014 when they needed moving services from Germantown, MD to Woodcrest Villa then again in 2024 when they moved into an apartment. They were both so pleasant and fun to work with and their daughter Carolyn. Tom's mind was sharp, he knew much about history and always had a smile on his face. When I would ask him a question on packing up his household items, he would say..." oh, just put it in a box, we'll get it from there."* 😊

*He LOVED his family and was so grateful for life.*

*To Ann and the family. We are so sorry for your loss. May Gods healing and prayer comfort you at this time.*

*Dave and Connie Burkholder and The Davcon Moving Team*

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**Connie** - June 26, 2024 at 11:12 AM