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**Thomas Kirchoff**

Kirchoff, Thomas F.

Brighton: Tom passed peacefully, with family by his side, on August 25, 2015, at age 86. Born in Lebanon, PA in 1929, Tom was a self-made man who was the first person in his family to go beyond high school. While raising five children, Tom earned a B.S. in Chemistry, and later a law degree; he worked as a chemist and then a patent attorney. He worked multiple jobs during this time to support his growing family, and his work ethic was an inspiration to all who knew him. In 1967, he moved his family to Rochester to join the International Patent Department of Eastman Kodak, from which he retired in 1992.

Tom was a founder of Church of The Transfiguration in Pittsford, and his profound Catholic faith deeply sustained him. Tom's life was spent helping others. His compassion and commitment toward those less fortunate than himself led him to decades of charity work with many organizations in concert with his beloved wife, Ann. He was an avid seashell collector, fisherman, and international traveler.

Predeceased by his wife of 63 years, Anna (Ann). Survived by his children, Thomas (Livier) Kirchoff Jr., Kathleen Wayland (Andrew Rowland), Eileen (Paul) Romeo, Karen Kirchoff and Christine (Todd) Overfield; grandchildren Victoria (Anthony) Romeo Scinto, Alexis (Geoffrey) Romeo Steenberge, Michael Donnelly, Sean (Jennifer) Donnelly, Joseph Donnelly & Kevin (Kim) Donnelly; great grandchildren Savannah Donnelly & Peter Steenberge; sister-in-law Mary Louise (John) Batdorf; nephews Fred (Kris) Fox and Christopher (Lori) Batdorf, and several other nephews; great-niece and great-nephew, and many dear friends.

Friends may call Friday 5-7 PM at the funeral chapel (2305 Monroe Ave.). A Funeral Mass will be held Saturday 10 AM at Church of the Transfiguration, 50 W. Bloomfield Rd., Pittsford. Interment at St. Patrick's Cemetery, Victor. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Oblate Healing Ministry, Rev. Richard McAlear, OMI, 486 Chandler St., Tewksbury, MA 01876. To share a memory of Thomas or send a condolence to the family visit [www.anthonychapels.com](http://www.anthonychapels.com).

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