



## Richard W. Thomas

October 29, 1942 - December 26, 2012

Richard W. Thomas, age 70, a resident of Royal Oak, died December 26, 2012 at his home. He was born October 29, 1942 in Port Huron to the late John and Elizabeth. Mr. Thomas was the longtime coach of the Royal Oak Girls Softball Association. He also enjoyed genealogy, MSU sports and the Detroit Tigers. He was the beloved husband of Norma Lee; loving father of Elizabeth; and dear brother of Charles Brenda. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. There will be a memorial visitation Monday 11:30 a.m. until the time of the memorial mass 12 noon at the National Shrine of the Little Flower, Royal Oak. Memorials to Beaumont Speech and Language Pathology appreciated. Arrangements by Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, Royal Oak, 248-541-7000. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Tribute Wall

BB

“ Dear Norma & Elizabeth, So sorry to hear of the passing of Richard. Mike and I will always carry fond memories of softball and the "old neighborhood" Please know you are in our thoughts and prayers.  
Barb & Mike Bassett

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**Barb Bassett** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ Elizabeth and Mrs. Thomas, I was so sorry to hear about the passing of Mr. Thomas. I have such great memories of going on vacations with you and the endless summers spent playing softball. He was such a nice man. I hope you both are comforted in knowing that he is in a wonderful place, watching over you always.

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**Alicia Stuben Piccolo** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Dear Norma and Elizabeth, I will always remember Richard's sense of humor. I had no idea that he was into genealogy as I would have loved to have had a few conversations on that subject with him. While I know you miss him, I am thankful that he is no longer suffering. He'll be watching over you I'm sure.

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**Colete Morlock Fukuzawa** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Ebeth: Our love, prayers and thoughts from all the Diffs to you and your mother always.

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**Paul Diffenderffer** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear Norma Lee & Elizabeth, I enjoyed Richard and his unique sense of humor. Both of you took such loving care of him for years, but especially since he was admitted to hospice in July. It's time for all of you to rest - he's safe and not suffering any more. He will be enjoying all the activities he couldn't participate in for the last few years and will certainly be watching both of you with delight. He was a good man and will be missed.

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**mary jo neville** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM