



William Tooshkenig

April 2, 2025

William Tooshkenig left us peacefully to be with the Lord surrounded by his family on Wednesday, April 2, 2025 at the age of 80. Beloved husband of 57 years to Shirley Tooshkenig (Huff) and loving and devoted father of Stephen W. Tooshkenig (Jann), Cheryl Mitchell (Robert Sr.) and Andrew Williams. Cherished grandpa of Dale (Haley), Amanda (Kain), Cassie (Drew), Sierra (Elijah), Kaleb, Robert Jr., Rheanna and his 5 great grandchildren. Son of the late John and Myrtle Tooshkenig and dear brother of Gladys (Don) Wonderly and the late James, Gail, Alexander and John. He will be fondly remembered by his many nieces, nephews and extended family. William was a dedicated member of Walpole Island First Nation, serving his community on Band Council, as Chief for 7 years, Walpole Island Board of Education, Economic Development, Assembly of First Nations and AIAI.

Family and Friends are invited for community visitation at the Walpole Island Sports Complex on Sunday, April 6, 2025 from 6-9pm with a wake service at 8pm. His funeral will be celebrated at the Sports Complex on Monday, April 7, 2025 at 11am with burial to follow at Highbanks Cemetery. Funeral arrangements are under the care of the Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home, 409 Nelson Street in Wallaceburg (519-627-3231).

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 6:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Walpole Island Sports Complex
770 Tecumseh Rd
Walpole Island, ON N8A 4K9 (CA)

Funeral

APR 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of William Tooshkenig



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - April 07, 2025 at 11:51 AM

MO

“ Mike OFlynn lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig



Mike OFlynn - April 22, 2025 at 08:00 PM

SK

“ Shirley I am sending thoughts to you at this time

Sherrill Kivell

Sherrill Kivell - April 15, 2025 at 06:38 PM

AF

“ Anne Fraleigh lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig



Anne Fraleigh - April 07, 2025 at 02:18 PM

JF

“ So sorry for your loss. John enjoyed some good golf with Bill back in the day.
John and Joyce Feher

Joyce Feher - April 07, 2025 at 12:34 PM

SN

“ Shirley Steve Andrew and Cheryl my deepest condolences



Sharee Nahmabin - April 07, 2025 at 12:27 PM

HAYCOCK
CAVANAGH
FUNERAL HOME

“ 99 files added to the album Life Tributes



Haycock-Cavanagh Funeral Home - April 07, 2025 at 11:46 AM

CH

“ Our sincerest condolences to Steve, Jann, the entire Tooshkenig family & friends. May he Rest in Peace.



Chris Heath - April 07, 2025 at 09:00 AM

NA

“ Norma Authier lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig



Norma Authier - April 07, 2025 at 08:28 AM

JW

“ A good golfing buddy from the Nob Tour went home. You will be missed! Baamaapii Bill.
From Jeff and Angela

Jeff/Angela Williams - April 06, 2025 at 04:26 PM



“ Steve and family, Prayers and condolences sent your way, I went to school with Bill he was always a gentle soul.

Margaret Aarsen - April 06, 2025 at 09:12 AM

CS

“ Our sincere heartfelt condolences to Shirley & Family. May Chief Bill Tooshkenig Rest in Sweet Heavenly Peace. 🌹 Rennie & Cindy



Cindy Shipman - April 06, 2025 at 06:47 AM

DW

Our sincere condolences to Shirley , Steve, and Cheryl Tooshkenig and my good friend Bill , God Bless all you guys for Ever always DONNIE & LOU .

Don & Lou Wells - April 07, 2025 at 08:14 AM

RY

“ Rose-Marie Yazbeck lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig



Rose-Marie Yazbeck - April 05, 2025 at 11:35 PM

HJ

“ Sorry for your loss.

Henry & Barb Jaruga - April 05, 2025 at 06:37 PM

JI

“ To Shirley's & family
Sorry to hear about Bill passing away. Hugs and Prayers

Joyce&Cecil Isaac - April 05, 2025 at 04:39 PM

EK

“ Will miss Bill greatly. His golf knowledge, Hymn singing on long trips and funny stories. Also, his dedication to board meetings at 3 Fires Development Corporation.

Everett Kicknosway - April 05, 2025 at 03:51 PM

MH

“ Merle and Shelly Hazzard lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig



Merle and Shelly Hazzard - April 05, 2025 at 12:46 PM

DF

“ Don Franklin lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig



Don Franklin - April 05, 2025 at 11:27 AM

JE

“ Sending sincere condolences to the Tooshkenig family.
Jean & Dave Elliottt



Jean Elliott - April 05, 2025 at 11:06 AM

BB

“ *Brad Brownlee lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig*



Brad Brownlee - April 05, 2025 at 10:46 AM

SS

“ *Sympathy to your family during this difficult time.
Susan, Ayden ,Taye*



Susan Soney - April 05, 2025 at 10:24 AM

ML

“ *MaryAnn & Gary Labadie lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig*



MaryAnn & Gary Labadie - April 05, 2025 at 08:02 AM

TA

“ *Tom&Petrina Altiman lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig*



Tom&Petrina Altiman - April 05, 2025 at 06:11 AM

LS

“ I am so sad to hear of Bill's passing.
I have lots of fond memories growing up with shirley's sister Joani hanging around at bill and shirley's home on Walpole island. Remember bill and shirley, bringing me across the ferry to michigan back to my parents' home and my Dad coming over to the island to show people through bill, how to run machines at the machine shop they had on the island.
Bill took me fishing too!
Great memories that I will always treasure!!
My love and prayers go out to everybody who loves him. xoxo

Lisa A. Schultz - April 05, 2025 at 01:37 AM

DJ

“ Debbie Jewell lit a candle in memory of
William Tooshkenig



Debbie Jewell - April 05, 2025 at 12:53 AM

MM

“ Shirley and family, my deepest condolences to you. Bill left a legacy of accomplishments in the time he had on earth. He was quick to share his stories if you were lucky to grab a seat next to him. His most personal achievement was finishing his book which I am looking forward to reading. He was and always will be a Chief of Bkejwanong Territory. I know Bill loved and was extremely proud of his family. He was a loving and supportive husband to his “bride” Shirley. In the summer, you could find Bill in “Bill’s Bungalow, on the golf course or at Cozy Corners. I know there will be days of immense sorrow but there will also be days filled with laughter as family and friends share their stories. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this difficult time.

Marsha Miskokomon - April 04, 2025 at 09:42 PM

M(

“ Shirley, Steve, Cheryl & families my thoughts & prayers are with you all!! My sincere condolences to you all!! I have fond memories of him.

Much Love ❤️

Melissa Goetz (Fraleigh) - April 04, 2025 at 09:39 PM

SC

“ We are so sorry for your loss.



Sherry (Rose) & Dave Crowe - April 04, 2025 at 09:37 PM

TE

“ Steve, Jann, and family, we are so sorry to hear about your Dad's passing. We extend our most sincere condolences to you and to all of Williams family and friends. Please be assured of our prayers during this difficult time. May he rest in Peace.

Tim and Lisa English - April 04, 2025 at 08:49 PM

TN

“ Bill was a strong leader, never afraid to speak the truth.



Toni Lynn Nahdee - April 04, 2025 at 08:43 PM

DP

“ A good man to friends. Family and community and beyond! Sincere condolences to those who are grieving, May God give you peace ❤️ Vern and Darlene Partridge and family

Darlene Partridge - April 04, 2025 at 08:23 PM

NA

“ Norma Authier sent a virtual gift in memory of William Tooshkenig



Norma Authier - April 04, 2025 at 05:09 PM

GF

“ Gerry Flynn lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig



Gerry Flynn - April 04, 2025 at 04:20 PM

CH

“ So very sorry to hear of Billy T's passing. His leadership in Education was a true inspiration to us all as he shared many of his ideas over the possibilities for the future. But my most vivid memory was of him cheering on the Walpole Island girls playing volleyball!

Cathy Hampshire - April 04, 2025 at 04:02 PM

DM

“ So sorry for your loss Shirley..Prayers to you and your family. Bill will be missed, especially at the golf tournaments where he always had a smile on his face collecting his prizes.

Dan & Donna Miskokomon - April 04, 2025 at 03:46 PM

KA

Thank you guys so much we really appreciate the support

Kaleb.Tooshkenig - April 04, 2025 at 07:32 PM

JM

“ Jane@Chuck McGill lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig



Jane@Chuck McGill - April 04, 2025 at 03:16 PM

KA

Thank you guys so much for your support This is coming from Kaleb Tooshkenig Williams grandson

Kaleb.Tooshkenig - April 05, 2025 at 07:33 PM

LP

“ *Lola and Matt Pamer lit a candle in memory of William Tooshkenig*



Lola and Matt Pamer - April 04, 2025 at 12:54 PM