



Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris

September 6, 1947 - February 18, 2025

Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris, age 77, of Northville, Michigan, passed away peacefully on February 18, 2025, surrounded by his loving family. Born on September 6, 1947, in Mouzaki, Greece, Tommy was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and friend who brought joy, warmth, and positivity to everyone he met. A man of deep faith, he was a devoted follower of the Greek Orthodox Church and cherished traveling with his wife to monasteries throughout Greece, strengthening his spiritual connection.

Tommy was the beloved husband of Pagona and a proud father to Apostolos (Alicia), Elena (Andy), and Tonia. He was a cherished grandfather to Pagona (Bobby), Alexia, Athanasios "Tommy," Alexia, and Aris. He was the son of the late Apostolos and Eleni Peristeris and the beloved brother of Louiza, the late Alik, the late Dimitrios, Efthimia, and Fotios. He was also a dear uncle to many, including Yiannis (Eleni) Peristeris, John (Jamie) Korogiannis, Jimmy (Jill) Korogiannis, and Tonia (Chris) Meier.

A passionate entrepreneur, Tommy built a legacy in the restaurant industry through the Parthenon restaurants, where he was known for his boundless hospitality and ability to bring people together through his love of food. His drive for success was always rooted in his deep love and care for his family and customers. When not working, he found immense joy in spending time with his loved ones, sharing stories, cooking, exercising, and watching sports.

His zest for life and unwavering dedication to those he cared for will be fondly remembered by all who knew him.

Visitation will take place at Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church (39851 Five Mile Rd., Plymouth, MI 48170) on Saturday, February 22, at 1:00 PM, followed by a funeral service at 3:00 PM. A luncheon will follow at Big Tommy's Parthenon (40380 Grand River Ave., Novi, MI 48375). A private family burial will be held on Tuesday, February 25.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to support the Peristeris Family Endowed Fund for Pediatric Research at the University of Michigan C.S. Mott Children's Hospital – 799813 (<https://victors.us/peristeris>) representing hope for children affected by life-threatening or chronic diseases. It supports investigators who have dedicated their lives to finding solutions, accelerating innovative ideas, and bringing concepts closer to real cures.

Tommy's warmth, thoughtfulness, humor, and love will be deeply missed but forever cherished in the hearts of his family and friends.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **22**. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church
39851 Five Mile Rd
Plymouth, MI 48170

Funeral Service

FEB **22**. 3:00 PM (ET)

Nativity of the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Church
39851 Five Mile Rd
Plymouth, MI 48170

Tribute Wall

KA

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Peristeris family. Jerry & Karen Adams

Karen Adams - February 27, 2025 at 03:36 PM

CD

“ Sending my sincere condolences to the Peristeris Family.



Carmina DeRosia - February 26, 2025 at 03:37 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

February 24, 2025 at 11:16 PM

ZS

“ Zoe S. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

Zoe S. - February 22, 2025 at 05:29 PM

SS

“ Stanislav S. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

Stanislav S. - February 22, 2025 at 12:11 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.*



February 22, 2025 at 10:46 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.

February 22, 2025 at 10:46 AM



“ Love, Joe, Julie, Joseph , and Andrew purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Love, Joe, Julie, Joseph , and Andrew - February 22, 2025 at 10:38 AM



“ Love, Joe, Julie, Joseph , and Andrew planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.

Love, Joe, Julie, Joseph , and Andrew - February 22, 2025 at 10:38 AM

TJ

“ Tim, Katina , Maria , Alek and Joshua purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Tim, Katina , Maria , Alek and Joshua - February 22, 2025 at 09:24 AM

TJ

“ Tim, Katina , Maria , Alek and Joshua planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.

Tim, Katina , Maria , Alek and Joshua - February 22, 2025 at 09:24 AM

JF

“ Jake Smith & Lauren Frezza purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Jake Smith & Lauren Frezza - February 22, 2025 at 06:56 AM

TF

“ The Chaghouri family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



The Chaghouri family - February 21, 2025 at 11:19 PM

TF

“ The Chaghouri family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

The Chaghouri family - February 21, 2025 at 11:19 PM

FF

“ From, John, Jim, Tonia and families. purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



From, John, Jim, Tonia and families. - February 21, 2025 at 07:04 PM

MB

“ Melissa and Brooke purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Melissa and Brooke - February 21, 2025 at 06:05 PM

JL

“ To Tommy's Family,
I have such nice memories of Tommy, going back to when I represented him and his partner at Big Daddy's Restaurant in West Bloomfield. He was a really nice person and will be missed by all who had the pleasure of working with him and being his friend. Please accept my heartfelt condolences for your loss. May all our/your memories of Tommy be for a blessing.

Jeffrey M Leib - February 21, 2025 at 05:45 PM

SF

“ Strouziotou angeliki and liasi family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Strouziotou angeliki and liasi family - February 21, 2025 at 02:18 PM

CM

“ Chris Marinakos purchased the Days of Sunshine Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Chris Marinakos - February 21, 2025 at 12:45 PM

CM

“ Chris Marinakos planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.

Chris Marinakos - February 21, 2025 at 12:45 PM

JR

“ Jenna and Rex purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Jenna and Rex - February 21, 2025 at 11:37 AM

FP

“ From the staff st Big Tommy’s Parthenon purchased the Divine Light for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



From the staff st Big Tommy’s Parthenon - February 21, 2025 at 11:12 AM

FP

“ From the staff st Big Tommy’s Parthenon planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

From the staff st Big Tommy’s Parthenon - February 21, 2025 at 11:12 AM

CN

“ Christopher N. purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Christopher N. - February 21, 2025 at 11:10 AM

CK

“ Christina Karadimas purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Christina Karadimas - February 20, 2025 at 11:27 PM

MS

“ Michael Salame purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Michael Salame - February 20, 2025 at 10:32 PM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



February 20, 2025 at 09:55 PM

KF

“ Krall and Stassinopoulos Families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Krall and Stassinopoulos Families - February 20, 2025 at 09:53 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



February 20, 2025 at 06:08 PM

LF

“ Love, The Gleeson Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Love, The Gleeson Family - February 20, 2025 at 05:46 PM

JS

“ Jim, Dina and Maria Serra purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Jim, Dina and Maria Serra - February 20, 2025 at 05:32 PM

DR

“ Dawn, Hailey & Rachel purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Dawn, Hailey & Rachel - February 20, 2025 at 04:41 PM

PB

“ Peter, Wanda, & the boys purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Peter, Wanda, & the boys - February 20, 2025 at 04:27 PM

PB

“ Peter, Wanda, & the boys planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

Peter, Wanda, & the boys - February 20, 2025 at 04:27 PM

RR

“ To the family , Tommy was a legend in the GREEK HOSPITALITY world . He taught me everything I know in the resturant bussiness . He taught Yemen, Mexican Albanians (MARIA). And a host of greek the resturant bussiness . His hands on approach was second to none. To your family you will always be the patriarch!!! To me and others a dedicated family man and to me a mentor .RIP TOMMY 🙏
Rick Rogow

Rick Rogow - February 20, 2025 at 04:19 PM

CB

“ Coach Cheese and Beth purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.



Coach Cheese and Beth - February 20, 2025 at 03:32 PM

CB

“ Coach Cheese and Beth planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

Coach Cheese and Beth - February 20, 2025 at 03:32 PM

HC

“ Horenstein's, Rosenfeld's & Coburn's planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

Horenstein's, Rosenfeld's & Coburn's - February 20, 2025 at 03:23 PM

IZ

“ Irene Z. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

Irene Z. - February 20, 2025 at 02:50 PM



“ Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



February 20, 2025 at 01:38 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

February 20, 2025 at 01:38 PM



“ Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



February 20, 2025 at 01:32 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

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“ Rabban Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Athanasios "Tommy" Peristeris.



Rabban Family - February 20, 2025 at 01:18 PM



“ Rabban Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Athanasios “Tommy” Peristeris.

Rabban Family - February 20, 2025 at 01:18 PM



“ To the family, Just want you to know the community lost a legend, friend, and a great host in the restaurant industry . Tommy changed so many lives including mine . Yemen Mexican and most importantly GREEK he took and made young people really learn the ethic of WORK . Tommy was my partner and was damn good at what he believed to serve great Gteek food to all in metro Detroit. Tommy will be missed by all he touched and to his family this was a loss of a true PATRIARCH!!!! I will always treasure our friendship and partnership till we meet again. Rip TOMMY. LOVE YA RICK ROGOW

Rick Rogow - February 20, 2025 at 12:36 PM