

# Thomas William Weber

Conversi Member April 2010 – October 2014

Entered into Eternal Life on October 12, 2014

## Obituary

Tom Weber, 79, of Pentwater, Mich., unexpectedly passed away Oct. 12, 2014. Tom was born in Detroit, Jan. 13, 1935, to Margaret (Sumner) and Dr. Karl W. Weber. He was preceded in death by his brother, Carl Weber. Tom was a graduate of Duke University and a life-long Blue Devils fan. He served in the US Coast Guard in Oregon, as a search and rescue officer for three years. On Nov. 9, 1957, he married Joyce Carol Zemper and began raising a family in Oregon and later, Grosse Ile, Mich.

Tom had a successful career in automotive advertising and marketing, and had many other entrepreneurial adventures. An avid outdoorsman, he enjoyed sailing, fishing, hunting, woodworking and barbecuing. Following retirement, he and Joyce moved to Pentwater where they have made their home for 15 years.

Tom is survived by his wife of 57 years, Joyce of Pentwater; two sons, Tom (Teresa) of Okemos, Mich. and Ted (Eri) of Santa Clara, Calif.; two daughters, Karla (Dimitri) Frenzoz of Northville, Mich. and Kris Shallman of Holt, Mich.; eight grandchildren, Chris, Diana (Mike), Alex (Ayana), Emily, Tom, Peter, Julie and Jennifer; brother and sister-in-laws, Barbara Weber, Ed Forster, Julie (Bob) Van Schoyck and Ted (Anne) Zemper; and many dear nieces and nephews.



The Mass of the Resurrection for Mr. Weber will be offered Friday, Oct. 17, at 11 a.m. at St. Vincent Catholic Church in Pentwater where Tom was an active parishioner. Visitation before the mass at 10 a.m. Memorial contributions may be directed to COVE, 906 E. Ludington Ave., Ludington, MI 49431, or the Capuchin Soup Kitchen, 1820 Mt. Elliot, Detroit, MI 48207. Interment will be at St. Anne's Chapel, Grosse Ile, Mich., at a later date.

## Conversi Profile

I feel called to the contemplative path because...	I really want to better focus my thoughts and increase my understanding of my faith, and feel that the best way to accomplish this is through learning to contemplate the wonder that is God.
Some of my current spiritual practices are...	frequent mass and eucharist, singing in Christmas and Easter choirs, reading at weekday mass, daily prayer and spiritual reading with my wife, and annual retreat.
A contemplative value I strive to live in my life is...	humility
List any faith communities to which you belong...	Singing with others in choir at Christmas and Easter even though my voice needs help), is very uplifting and joyous to my soul. Serving as the Parish Council Chair, it felt good to help out, but I felt that the role caused me to become more cynical and less tolerant of others. I resigned after three years.
I want to be a member of the Conversi community because...	I have looked into Cistercian spirituality for over a year, and before that, ironically, adopted as my special prayer "Be still and know that I am God" as I dealt with cancer and surgery (pulled through well) I have received and read thoroughly the Rule (from Belmont Abbey) and seek to live its values of obedience and humility and simplify my life. I cannot join Associates in either Iowa or Kentucky because of distance, yet seek to interact and learn.