



## Tomas NMN Malberg

July 12, 1944 - October 6, 2020

A much-loved husband, father, grandfather, son and brother. Tomas Malberg, 76, of Mooresville, North Carolina, passed away peacefully at his home October 6, 2020.

He was born July 12, 1944 in Tallinn, Estonia. He is preceded in death by his parents Robert Heinrich Malberg and Gertrud Martin Malberg and his nephew Peter Alexander Malberg. He is survived by his wife of 53 years Norka E. Malberg, his twin brother Peter, his children, Norka Trudy, Melixa and Tommy and their spouses. He also leaves behind 4 grandsons, Luis Tomas Nario, Sebastian Nario, Andre Malberg and Aaron Malberg,

Tomas was born next to the Baltic Sea and his heart was always happiest when close to the sound of the ocean. He was proud of his Estonian origins but also held close to his heart his adoptive lands. He loved to tell his grandchildren of his adventures as a boy scout in Venezuela and remembered fondly his youth in Puerto Rico accompanied by a good whiskey and the sounds of a good bolero. A man who lived by the rules but also knew how to love, live and work as his favorite Frank Sinatra song says: "My way".

His thirst for knowledge was evidenced by obtaining his MBA at the age of 50 and multiple charts tracing the state of the economy in his very organized home office. His resilience in the face of adversity was truly admirable. When life threw him a curve ball, he caught it and defiantly moved forward, even when one could tell his heart might be broken. Like a proud Viking he continued on, even after receiving the news that he had a rare and incurable cancer, he replied: "We will see about that!"

Always keeping in mind other's hearts and feelings over his own. He will remain an inspiration to his family and those who were lucky enough to call him their friend. Faithful, dutiful, loving and always by the book, that was Tomas Malberg, also known as Apo, Dad and Tom.

In the end, although he traveled extensively throughout his life, he ended his days in the place he loved the most, his home, close to his loving wife and his family. He lived and

died with dignity and grace and always surrounded by so much love! We will all miss him very much, until we meet again!

Tomas' wish was to be cremated and his ashes be scattered in Boquerón, Puerto Rico, a special beach where he enjoyed many wonderful memories with his family.

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## **Cavin-Cook FH & Crematory**

494 E. Plaza Drive

Mooresville, NC, 28115

# Comments

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“ I’m sorry that I’m out touch with the Malberg Franco's family, but since my sister Carolina told me about Mr. Tomas’ passing I was wanting to say something on his behalf. In those days at school, we where acquaintance with the classmates' mothers rather than the fathers. In my class everybody knew Mrs. Norka of course. So it was rare to meet the father on a social occasion. When my own dad passed away I realized this, most of my classmate barely knew him, or those who did, recall him as “Mario’s serious Dad” (haha, yes he was). So I can’t say I knew Mr. Tomas, but I will remember him always because he was a part of two of my life’s “first time’s situations” (jaja). He was the first person I randomly encountered in another country (and still the only one), I was maybe 10 years old in Panama on a scale stop to Chile and I took the elevator to buy candys at the hotel’ store and in one floor Mr. Tomas got in, I recognize him immediately and talked to him, and we exchanged a little chat amazed about the coincidence; so he was the first person I know that I randomly meet abroad... And the second one, he was involved in the first time I got really drunk, it was on Norka Trudy’s “quinceañera”’s party, maybe I was 12, in a suit and tie, very uncomfortable because of it (at 12 who wants to be in a suit and tie?)... and my glass was filled with white wine and I wanted to get rid of it fast, so I drank it quickly thinking they will change it to non-alcoholic’s, I looked away and suddenly (without my notice) the glass was full again... so I drank it quickly again, and I remember seeing Mr. Tomas very happy around the ballroom... and once more, someone I didn’t notice, filled my glass again with white wine. By that time I was feeling dizzy, I was a little bit worried because I never experienced that sensation before... and suddenly I saw Mr. Tomas with a full grown beard !! What is this ? (I said to myself), so this is to be drunk? I’m hallucinating from alcohol!!!, this is what it feels like?... and then I saw Mr. Tomas without a beard, whaaat!!! Being drunk is so weird... The day after, someone told me that was Mr. Tomas’ twin brother that use a beard (jaja), and I believed I was hallucinating from the wine... I will never forget those anecdotes, thanks to Mr. Tomas... We the Vilches Campomanes’ family lost our parents so early too. Sure one’s know is part of life, and somehow we know they are around us every day, but in my case I can’t help to feel an emptiness and a kind of loneliness for not having them with us and they left us more than 10 years ago, so this is why I wanted to share this memories, we know how is to experience the loss of a parent, and we wanted to tell you all that we remember him and we are very sorry... we will always remember him as the tall, powerful “viking” (he looked just like one of them) with those very kind blue eyes and a big smile, and I personally saw how inloved he was with Mrs. Norka, more than a marriage I like how a great team they always were, real partners in life, I was lucky to see that by myself, that’s why I’m so sad that he left so early, but for sure (like our own parents) he is there with you all always.

Mario Andrés Vilches Campomanes

Mario Andres Vilches Campomanes - October 30, 2020 at 08:27 PM



“ Mario, gracias por compartir tus memorias con mi papá! Te agradezco tu pésame y espero que te encuentres bien y feliz!!! Melixa

Melixa Malberg - November 01, 2020 at 10:16 AM



“ Muchos recuerdos de Tom como persona seria, amable, comprometida, colaboradora, recta y mucho más... Que alegría ver tan merecidas muestras de cariño y aprecio de sus familiares, amigos y colegas. Acompañándolos de corazón.

Jaime Hernández

Jaime Hernandez - October 16, 2020 at 03:57 PM

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“ Ya a estas alturas, no recuerdo exactamente cuantos años compartimos actividades y por lo tanto muchos momentos de nuestras vidas. Pero la noticia nos llena de sentimientos de tristeza.

Tom nos deja a todos una marca positiva, muy profunda; siempre nos alimento con su infinita alegría, pulcritud, optimismo, empuje, constancia y honradez no solo a los que le rodeamos en su trabajo, sino a todos los miembros de su familia y amigos.

Nuestro más sentido pésame a toda la familia y allegados,

Álvaro y Carmenza Gutiérrez

Alvaro Gutierrez - October 15, 2020 at 02:21 PM

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“ Un privilegio el haber compartido un pequeno tramo de la vida professional de Tom. Nos deja con gratos recuerdos y huella profunda por su integridad, calidez y calibre humano. Mi mas sentido pesame a toda la familia Malberg.

Manlio Valdes

Manlio Valdes - October 15, 2020 at 12:54 PM

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“ Dad,  
 There are no words that could begin to express the way I feel. My heart is broken, I miss you so much!  
 To call you Dad will forever be my gift and my honor, to know you as a person was my privilege.  
 Love you forever! Your “Pelus”



**Melixa Malberg** - October 11, 2020 at 04:28 AM



“ I will always sing for you Papi!  
**Melixa Malberg** - October 11, 2020 at 10:16 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Tomas NMN Malberg.



October 10, 2020 at 02:15 PM



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**Norka Malberg** - October 09, 2020 at 06:04 AM



“ Tom - Gracias por todo lo que nos diste !-  
**Tomas Fernandez** - October 10, 2020 at 10:34 AM



“ Sarah Cooper lit a candle in memory of Tomas NMN Malberg

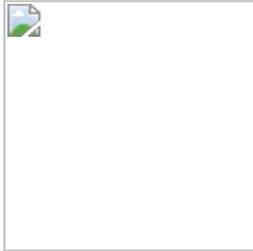


Sarah Cooper - October 09, 2020 at 03:47 AM

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Norka Malberg - October 09, 2020 at 02:05 AM



“ This was Seb's song for dad, he wrote it and incorporated all our voices. Dad listened to it with a smile . In Seb's darkest moment it was my dad who brought the light. Thanks dad and thanks Seb for your beautiful loving song.

Norka - October 09, 2020 at 02:07 AM

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Norka Malberg - October 09, 2020 at 02:02 AM



“ Perfect balance between fun and firm , that was Apo Tom

Norka - October 09, 2020 at 02:08 AM

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“ My first boss / mentor / guide on my professional life. He hired me twice. (Never fired me!). I learned from him true values of character, integrity, transparency. A great part of my professional upbringing I owe it to Tom. Norkita ustedes siempre han sido - “mi conciencia”

Tom- had many, many says...•one of his... ”Tomasito- Life is a trade off”. I can go on and on. My heart aches. Malberg Family- los adoramos y estamos con ustedes en pensamiento y en sentimiento.

**Tomas Fernandez** - October 08, 2020 at 03:37 PM

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“ I have lost my guiding light. To say that my father was a good man, does not even start to describe him. As I got older I truly appreciated the extraordinary man that he was, truly a Self made man, who never backed down from a challenge and always got up stronger when he faced defeat. He was the kind of man that sees the best in people and helped them meet their potential, a giving man, who put away his personal interests to always do what was right no matter the cost, because as he often said, " a man is only as good as his word". He dedicated his life to his family, and even in his last days worried only about us, specially his "Norky". I'm glad that my boys got to spend their life up till now with him. He once told to me that I was " a better father than he was" and to this day I can't see how he thought that but if it is true its only because of the example he set forth for me and my sisters. Its true that he traveled alot and may have not been home often, but I can't remember a time that I wished he was there and he wasn't. My heart is broken and even when it mends there will always be a missing piece, I thank god I got to spend the last few months close to and tell him everything I felt. He deserved to know how special he was and even though I know it made him uncomfortable to hear it(he was as humble as he was smart) I know he was happy that we recognized he lived life "his way". I love you Dad, and Im not sure how I will do at life now that you are not in it, but all i ask as a last favor is that you look in on us especially over my boys, I know you will be there for their triumphs and their defeats to help him through like you always did with me.....I promise you I will live my life in a way that honors your memory and I will forever strive to life up to your legacy while I build my own. So for now, So long, I will see you in all your favorite places.....and don't worry I got it from here.

All my love

Tommy

**Tomas Malberg Jr.** - October 08, 2020 at 12:40 PM



“ Tommy, my sincere condolences on the passing of your dad. Linda Pasko

**Linda Pasko** - October 08, 2020 at 08:54 PM

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“ De los recuerdos más lindos de mi adolescencia, es haber compartido con la Familia Malberg, tanto don Thomas como doña Norka, siempre estaban dispuestos a recibirnos y nos hacían sentir parte de la familia, en mi caso como la de ellos, familia eran los amigos y sus familias al tener a las nuestras lejos y ambos siempre me hicieron sentir bienvenida y saber que podía contar con ambos fue algo muy importante en mi vida,  
Los quiero hoy y siempre, los recuerdos viven en mi corazón que hoy siente que un pedacito de él se fue, pero realmente ahí estará guardado a buen recaudo.  
Abrazos a todos, me gustaría poder abrazarlos.

**Teresa Munante** - October 08, 2020 at 11:10 AM

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“ It is with Great sorrow that I must express my feelings of extreme sadness and pain for the passing away of someone that was more than a friend to me , and more like a father figure, who opened his heart and the doors to his home and family when I was a young and developing man. He was my support many times when I needed a father figure as was Norka his wife, and his children, Norka Trudy, Melixa and Tommy.

There are many stories that can be told of this man, many stories of when we lived together in Miami when he was transferred to Miami from Costa Rica by Ingersoll Rand, and many stories of family special events of which I was always, and have always been made a participant of by this Extremely Special Family. My pain now is for the Love that I had for this man and a demonstration of respect and honor to have been included in his Personal Circle of Family.

May Tom RIP and be in the Glory of the Lord, and I am sure that we will see each other in time and continue our bond. As always, you will be present in my heart and thoughts.

I send my condolences to the entire Family and may he RIP!

Armando Perez



**Armando Perez** - October 08, 2020 at 11:08 AM



“ You will remain part of our family and now one of the little sisters is nearby, hope to see you soon in Barcelona xxxxx

**Norka Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 12:50 PM



“ Siempre con su voz agradable, buen trato, correcto, con carácter fuerte, un gran hombre dedicado a su familia y trabajador.  
Es sin duda una sensible pérdida para quienes lo conocimos.  
Envío a su familia un fuerte abrazo solidario y fortaleza para sobrellevar estos momentos.  
Por siempre en mis oraciones.



**Evelyn Ross** - October 08, 2020 at 09:38 AM

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**Norka Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 08:36 AM



“ One of the most beautiful couples that I met. Many nice memories. My deepest condolences to my dear friend Norka and family.

**Maria Carolina Vilches** - October 08, 2020 at 08:53 AM

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**Norka Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 08:33 AM

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**Norka Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 08:05 AM

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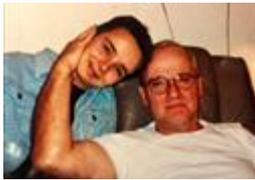


**Norka Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 08:05 AM

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**Norka Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 08:04 AM



“ Love you dad forever!

**Norka Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 12:46 PM



“ He loved you sis!

**Melixa Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 02:18 PM

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**Norka Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 08:04 AM



“ Yes he did! He was truly a poet!

**Melixa Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 10:16 PM

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**Norka Malberg** - October 08, 2020 at 08:03 AM

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Norka Malberg - October 08, 2020 at 08:01 AM

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“ My dad and I did not always agreed... I think it is tough for parents to "update" who we are or remember who they were to us when we were younger. For me, my dad was that person that taught me right from wrong and taught me that being humble and generous sound easy but it is not. His eyes were those of a pure and kind soul, him and my mom, taught us how it is to be loving and fun even when times are tough. My dad protect us till his last breath . He loved all of us just the way we are and he left in his own terms and in his way... Love you dad , will take you with me in every class I teach, every time I look at the ocean and when I feel down and sorry for myself, I will remembered your strength and your dignity . My heart is broken but also knows that whenever you are, you are better and watching over us as you always did. Love you, Trudy

Norka Malberg - October 08, 2020 at 07:44 AM

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“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Tomas NMN Malberg.



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