



## Thomas Park Zum Brunnen III

February 8, 1940 - March 3, 2024

Thomas Park Zum Brunnen III, 84, of Ellicott City, MD passed away Sunday, March 3, 2024 at Howard County General Hospital.

Thomas was born February 8, 1940 in Salisbury, NC to the late Jerry Ell Fisher Zum Brunnen and Thomas Park Zum Brunnen Jr. He earned his B.S. in Mechanical Engineering Airspace Option from NC State University and a Masters in Business from Santa Clara, CA. He was in the Air Force and Air Force Reserve for a total of 27 years and retired as a Lt. Colonel. He was employed by Lockheed Martin as an aerospace engineer and program manager and worked on a variety of defense programs prior to his retirement in 2012.

Thomas was Catholic. He was a member of the Knights of Columbus where he was a Grand Knight and a Fourth Degree Navigator. He was involved in the Boy Scouts in North Carolina as a youth and as an adult in Colorado, Maryland, New Mexico, and Virginia. He was a Vigil member in the Order of the Arrow and a recipient of the BSA Silver Beaver award.

Left to cherish his memory is his wife, Dixie Bonds Zum Brunnen; sons, Thomas Park Zum Brunnen, IV and Stephen Douglas Zum Brunnen and wife, Ann Patricia Zum Brunnen; sisters, Melanie Suggs and Janelle Mann; and grandsons, Zachary Nolan Zum Brunnen and Luke Amos Zum Brunnen.

The family will receive friends from 6-7 PM Tuesday (Mar 12) at Summersett Funeral Home.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10 AM Wednesday (Mar 13) at

Sacred Heart Catholic Church, officiated by Father John Eckert. Burial will follow at the U.S. National Cemetery, Statesville Blvd location.

Flowers are welcome or you can make a contribution to the Wounded Warrior Project, PO Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675 or to St. Jude's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105.

Summersett Funeral Home is serving the Zum Brunnen family. Online condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com).

The funeral mass will be live streamed on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/SHCCSalisbury>

# Cemetery Details

## U.S. National Cemetery

1601 Brenner Ave.  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAR 12. 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Summersett Funeral Home  
1315 W. Innes St.  
Salisbury, NC 28144  
(704) 633-2111  
<https://www.summersettfuneralhome.com>

## Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 13. 10:00 AM (ET)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
375 Lumen Christi Lane  
Salisbury, NC 28144

# Tribute Wall

JJ

“ John c kirk jr purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Thomas Park Zum Brunnen III.



John c kirk jr - March 11, 2024 at 07:24 PM

JJ

“ John c kirk jr planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas Park Zum Brunnen III.

John c kirk jr - March 11, 2024 at 07:24 PM

JK

“ We were school mates at NC State. Glad to hear that he had such a good life and a successful career in the AF. We would also often chat after Mass at Sacred Heart Church. I will say special prayers for him. My deepest sympathy to his family.

john kirk - March 11, 2024 at 07:16 PM

LI

“ L & L Incorporated purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Thomas Park Zum Brunnen III.



L & L Incorporated - March 08, 2024 at 01:04 PM

LI

“ L & L Incorporated planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas Park Zum Brunnen III.

L & L Incorporated - March 08, 2024 at 01:04 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas Park Zum Brunnen III.



March 08, 2024 at 07:53 AM

TF

“ the zum Brunnen family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas Park Zum Brunnen III.

the zum Brunnen family - March 08, 2024 at 07:53 AM

CW

“ Christopher and Marion Whatley purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Thomas Park Zum Brunnen III.



Christopher and Marion Whatley - March 07, 2024 at 12:12 PM

CW

“ Christopher and Marion Whatley planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Thomas Park Zum Brunnen III.

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**Christopher and Marion Whatley** - March 07, 2024 at 12:12 PM