



Thomas Loyal Lansdale

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Celebrating the Life of Tom Lansdale 7/24/1941 - 9/5/2025 Thomas Loyal Lansdale, a beloved father, grandfather, and friend, passed away leaving a legacy of love, creativity and cherished memories. He was born on July 24, 1941 in Atoka, Oklahoma to Arthur and Frankie Lansdale.

He moved to California with his whole family at a young age, eventually settling in San Diego in the late 1940's. Tom's life was that of a business owner, entrepreneur, artist, maverick, and loving father and grandfather. Many may not know that in the 1970s, he became the nationwide face of Terminix, starring in a television commercial.

He later went on to create his own business, Chula Vista Pest Control, which he owned and managed for decades. He was an accomplished artist and photographer who cherished spending time with his friends, children, and grandchildren. He was a true Renaissance man, having a remarkable variety of passionate pursuits throughout his life.

These included creative wall painting techniques, pottery, sculpting, telling stories and jokes, photography and photo editing, chocolate making, being a prankster with loved ones, gardening, chess, video games, cooking, bread making, playing and watching football, horse race betting, and so many others that it would surely fill an entire book.

He had deep empathy throughout his life for people with unconventional or disadvantaged upbringings, and would go out of his way to directly make a positive impact on these people's lives. He often had very strong connections to the places he lived. He kept in close contact throughout his life with his friends within the Linda Vista Center Bums and was a well known figure in the city of Imperial Beach, known by the alias "Bug Man".

He passed on September 5, 2025, with his three children by his side. Tom's life was a testament to love, uniqueness, and creativity. His memory will live on in the hearts of those who knew and loved him.



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Legacy of Tom Lansdale He is survived by his children: Lauri, Lawrence (Alison), and Chase (Kimball) Lansdale His legacy continues through his grandchildren.



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FUNERAL SERVICE

 **Tuesday**, September 30, 2025

 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM PT


 **Garden Chapel at Greenwood**
4300 Imperial Ave., San Diego CA 92113

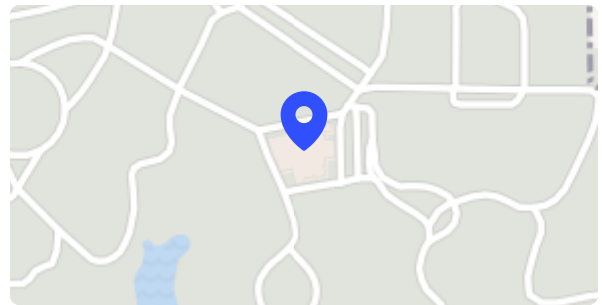


Reception

 **Tuesday**, September 30, 2025

 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM PT

 **Greenwood - Memories Hall - Reception**
4300 Imperial Ave, San Diego CA 92113





Tribute Wall

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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Lansdale family.

September 28 at 6:45 PM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Thomas.

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Santos G. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Thomas.

September 27 at 3:44 PM



The Mitchley'S sent a Beautiful Dreams to the Lansdale family.

September 24 at 2:12 PM



Anonymous sent an Arrive in Style to the Lansdale family.

September 23 at 6:06 AM



Anonymous planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Thomas.

September 23 at 6:06 AM





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Amy Torres posted:

Right after Chase's birth, my Mom and I went to visit. Tom was very good to us. He took all of us to the Del Mar Fair, to Tijuana, and to the beach. He shared his home with us. He always took good care of my nephew, Chase. RIP Tom

September 22 at 5:00 AM



Jeanne L. sent a Bountiful Memories Casket Spray to the Lansdale family.



September 18 at 12:22 PM



Ignacio Parra lit a candle in honor of Thomas.

Halloween when I was a kid. Went trick or treating to Tom's house. He was a bloody Dr and started growling at me. It scared the shit out of me. I ran home screaming!! Good times



September 17 at 4:35 PM



David Banwell posted:

Sorry I never met you Tom but we are Grandfathers to the same wonderful little rascal they call River. May he always remember the precious time you spent together. Rest in peace Tom. The other Grandpa, Dave Banwell

September 17 at 10:37 AM



Suzi Zimmermann lit a candle in honor of Thomas.



September 12 at 10:35 PM



Suzi Zimmermann shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



September 12 at 4:51 PM



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Suzi Zimmermann posted:

I have so many memories that I find it hard to pick just one...the last 50 years Tom has been in some way a part of my life ..taking me to Bully's for my 21st birthday, working with him at CV Termite and Pest Control, buying a house with him...but to pick just one I guess it would be his love for my daughter, Jennifer who he called Angel...she would fall and scrap her knee or get a cut on her finger and instead of coming to me she would run to him and he would tell her, let Doctor fix it and to this day my daughter, nieces and nephews call him Doctor . Tom is somebody I will miss forever and a day and memories never to be forgotten,. RIP Tom

September 12 at 4:48 PM



Lauri Lansdale shared 4 photos and a video to the **Tribute Wall** album.

My dad ❤️



September 12 at 4:12 PM



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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Thomas by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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