



Thomas Moore Lowrie
July 3, 1928 - June 30, 2026

Thomas Moore Lowrie passed away peacefully at his Westport home on June 30, 2026, three days shy of his 98th birthday.

Tom was born on July 3, 1928 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to William A. Lowrie, a bank president and veteran WW1 ambulance driver, and Eleanor Ray Moore, a former president of the Pennsylvania Garden Club. When his family moved north to Titusville, PA, Tom was a standout three-season athlete at Titusville High School. After completing his senior HS year at the prestigious Hill School, he joined the class of 1950 at Princeton University, rooming with the same three classmates and members of Tiger Inn, Walker McKinney, Sam Howell and Bill Apgar, for their college careers and becoming life-long friends.

Tom served our country as a US Navy air navigator during the Korean conflict, monitoring the 7th Fleet from over the Pacific Ocean with no parachutes.

(The same man who would later jump out of planes

twice, at ages 90 and 95.) Tom and his loving wife of 58 years Jean, met while he was stationed in Hawaii and she, a TWA international airline hostess, was there on holiday. (Ironically, they both worked from the same intercontinental propeller plane, a Lockheed L-1049, aka "The Super Constellation", one outfitted for radar and one for passengers.)

Tom completed his advanced degree in Architecture from Columbia University while working as a draftsman for some of NY's most renowned firms, including McKim Mead and White and Johnson-Burgee. Thanks to those affiliations, Tom retained an esteemed position as staff architect to the Museum of Modern Art during their 1980s expansion of Cesar Pelli's landmark condominium tower on West 53d Street.

Tom was a gifted natural athlete and fierce competitor on the fields, greens and courts, and a constant in-demand call for golf, tennis, squash, badminton, pickleball, and in his last year, ping pong. His love of sports and architecture led him to design the Beck Lodge at Camp Mahackeno and the fire house to health center conversion of the downtown YMCA. His long-service to the Westport Y community was highlighted by his badminton camaraderie with pals Paul Newman and James Naughton and later his friendships with the Y's Men community.

Tom was the last-living proud founding member of Westport's Sunrise Rotary club. His years with the club provided him with fellowship and purpose, where he traveled the world promoting projects that supported education and peace while fighting disease and global inequities.

His devoted wife Jean passed in 2018, and Tom is survived by his children Anne of Westport, Dave of Hartford, and granddaughter Luna Lowrie of Long Island, NY.

A family memorial service is scheduled for Friday, July 31, 11am at Green's Farms Congregational, where Tom was an active member for nearly 60 years. A public celebration of his life will follow at 11:30am in the Church's social hall, located at 71 Hillandale Road.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial fund has been established by the Westport Sunrise Rotary Club in Tom's name, visit <https://westportsunriserotary.org/page/tom-lowrie-memorial-fund>