



## Timothy Sheen Coughlin, Sr.

November 18, 1952 - May 2, 2026

Timothy Sheen Coughlin, Sr., 73, known to most by “Tim” passed away on May 2, 2026 in Tallahassee, Florida where he has lived for all of his life. He was born on November 18, 1952 to parents Paul John Coughlin and Claire Busby Coughlin. Tim graduated from Leon High School prior to graduating from Florida State University with his Bachelors in Criminology. Tim later joined the Leon County Sheriff’s Office where he enjoyed 35 years of service to our community and beyond. He retired in 2009 as a Lieutenant.

Tim was a devoted member of Saint Louis Catholic Church and when he wasn’t working, he heavily involved himself in various church activities as well as Knights of Columbus Council 12929 where he served as a trustee. Tim was very active with the Boys Scouts of America and cherished his many memories with his son, Timothy, as an Eagle Scout. Although, his favorite job that he was most passionate about was being a grandfather, “Pops”, to his four beloved grandchildren.

Survivors include his loving wife of 47 years, Naomi Smith Coughlin; children Timothy Coughlin, Jr. (Shannon), Jennifer Zadra (Matt) and Sarah Beha (Ben) all of Tallahassee, Florida; grandchildren Tanner Coughlin, Ava Coughlin, Braylyn Zadra and Brynna Zadra; siblings Richard Coughlin, Louise Curtin, Carroll Keough, Kathleen Coughlin and Brent Coughlin as well as a host of nieces, nephews and extended family members whom he loved deeply. He

was preceded in death by his parents and his siblings Kevin Coughlin, Hannah Coughlin, Terry Coughlin and Brian Coughlin.

A memorial mass will be held at Saint Louis Catholic Church of Tallahassee on Tuesday, May 12, 2026 at 10:00am with a reception to immediately follow in the parish hall. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Big Bend Hospice.

Breanna Green of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)) is assisting the Coughlin family with their arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Mass

MAY 12. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Louis Catholic Church  
3640 Fred George Rd.  
Tallahassee, FL 32303

# Tribute Wall



“ To the Coughlin family,

*We were deeply saddened to learn of Tim's hospitalization and passing. We will miss his kindness and the warmth he always showed whenever we were with him.*

*We hope the memories you shared over the years bring you comfort and help ease your grief during this difficult time. Please know that you are in our thoughts.*

*Diane and Steve Thompson*

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**Steve Thompson** - May 11 at 10:17 PM

CJ

“ *Tim was a great leader with the Sheriff's Department Explorers back in the mid-80's. After college, I never joined the Sheriff's Department, but Tim and the other school resource officers were great examples of what law enforcement officers should be.*

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**Clinton James** - May 09 at 02:54 PM

LS

“ *Tim was a younger brother of the Coughlin siblings that I did not know personally as I was older. My parents and their parents knew each other through Blessed Sacrament church. I went to BSC school with a few of the older ones. Sending prayers of comfort to all the Coughlin family that God will help you find peace through your loss.*

*LIZ ESSIG SIMMONS*

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**Liz Essig Simmons** - May 07 at 11:26 AM

PA

“ Once long ago...during Hurricane Kate in 1985 ... or 84...I was Lil Tim Coughlin's preschool teacher in the four year old class where he tore loose with Alvin and Charlie. The squeaky wheels are so remembered. Big Tim would p/u Lil Tim sometimes. I figured Lil Tim was needing to run some while at school since Dad was in Law Enforcement at home.... Lil Tim was a joy.

*And here, now, all this time has passed where I see Big Tim was wonderfully and proudly active in Lil Tim's life. BRAVO DAD!*

*I'm glad such a satisfying life was lived and shared.*

*Amen to Tim Coughlin, Amen. Regards to his whole family who know that he lived his whole life...well.*

*Peggy Adair aka "Miss Peggy"!*

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**Peggy Adair** - May 06 at 01:12 PM

BR

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Brad** - May 06 at 12:53 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Timothy Sheen Coughlin, Sr..



May 05 at 09:33 AM



“ Love, Stacy(Hassfurder) & David Shaffer purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Timothy Sheen Coughlin, Sr..



Love, Stacy(Hassfurder) & David Shaffer - May 04 at 10:20 PM



“ Lots of fun over the years through St. Louis activities! We shall miss him and send our love and prayers to the family ❤️🙏❤️

Brenda Mueller - May 04 at 05:44 PM



“ Joanne S Stokes lit a candle in memory of Timothy Sheen Coughlin, Sr.



joanne s stokes - May 04 at 03:59 PM



Tim was a great PERSON!

joanne s stokes - May 04 at 04:04 PM

MW

“ As the school resource officer at SAIL H.S. Tim was a wonderful support to me in raising my children. I'm sure they drove him crazy time to time, but he treated them with gentle firmness and respect. Upon hearing of his passing, my daughter replied, Oh no! I love him! Was he sick? And my son, Aww, good old sgt Tim. It takes a special kind of cop to be a SAIL cop.  
As for me personally, Tim was a friend, fellow Parish Council member at St.Louis Catholic Church, and a close and wonderful friend and Knights of Columbus brother to my husband, Bill Woolley. He was an upright, honest, and gentle man. May he rest in the presence of the Lord forever.

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**Maria Woolley** - May 04 at 01:42 PM

BC

We are so sorry to hear about your father. 🙏❤️

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**Bill and Liz Cloud** - May 04 at 09:38 PM

CR

Naomi, I'm so sorry. I thought the world of Tim. Thoughts and prayers are with you. Cindy Roddenberry

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**Cynthia Roddenberry** - May 05 at 12:31 AM

MS

Tim and I worked together at LCSO for years, he was a great Deputy Sheriff and a friend so I was never worried at all when we both responded to a call, we totally had each other's back!!!! RIP good friend.

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**Mark Snyder** - May 05 at 08:34 AM

FW

*Tim Coughlin and I supported the Partnership for School Safety and Security Committee in the early 2000s. His representation of law enforcement was exemplary—defined by service, community, support, and an unwavering dedication to protecting others. His approach was natural and fluid, driven not by his uniform or badge, but by a genuine commitment to those he served.*

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**Felicia Williams-Taylor** - May 07 at 12:14 PM