



Scott Phillip Thoma

September 7, 1946 - August 12, 2019

Scott Phillip Thoma, 72, of Benzonia, MI (formerly of Monroe) passed away on August 12, 2019 at the Medilodge of Grand Traverse County after a short battle with a very rare form of lung cancer.

Scott was born in Muskegon on September 17, 1946 to Howard Victor and Ellen Jean (Hoekenga) Thoma. He graduated from Monroe High School in June of 1964. On November 24, 1965 he married the love of his life, Diane Hopson.

Scott honorably served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Chicago from 1964 to 1967 and was a very proud Vietnam Veteran.

Scott worked at Holnam (formerly Dundee Cement) for 35 years from which he retired in 2002. In his free time Scott was an avid gun collector and historian. He belonged to the VFW, the VVA and the Monroe Rifle and Pistol Club where he was president for many years. He also belonged to the First Presbyterian Church of Monroe for many years where he served as a deacon.

Scott was preceded in death by his parents, Howard and Ellen, and 2 brothers Timothy Thoma and Rick Thoma. He leaves behind his loving wife of 53 years, Diane; a sister, Sue (Thoma) Larkins of Monroe, MI; 3 daughters, Tamara Thoma of Ann Arbor, MI, Kimberly (Thoma) Randall of Rochester, MI, and Angela (Thoma) Zimmerman of Arcadia, MI; 4 grandchildren, Christopher, Jessica, Michaelyn, and Tyler; and 4 great-grandchildren, Joseph, Benjamin, Ellie and Zoey.

A Memorial Service will be held in his honor on Wednesday, August 28th at 2pm at the Monroe Rifle and Pistol Club located at 1220 Yensch Road, Dundee, MI. Because Scott despised dressing up, CASUAL ATTIRE IS REQUIRED for the service. The family asks that, in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Wounded Warrior Project in Scott's name. Visit woundedwarriorproject.org for more information.

Condolences and memories may be shared at his online guestbook at <http://www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com>

Local arrangements provided by Bacarella Funeral Home.

Comments



“ Scott was one of my helpers at Dundee Cement Co. Scott was a great friend and a pleasure to work with.
Sail on Scott.
Don Dietrich

Donald Dietrich - October 11, 2019 at 09:00 PM



“ So many fond memories of living next door to this good hearted man. He was a sweetheart. May your memories help you through this

Sherry Maletich - August 28, 2019 at 09:24 AM



“ I thank you Tammy, Kim and Angie for sharing your Daddy with me the last 5 years. He and your Mom have become more than friends. They are family and I am so blessed for that. He taught me so many things in the 5 years I've known of. Most of all how much he LOVED and cherished you all. His family. He was so proud of his girls and always chatted about how amazing his grandkids were. I only had him for a few short years but I'm so glad I did. I will forever miss you Scott. You will always be my adopted Grandpa.

Jen King (cracker barrel) - August 23, 2019 at 11:11 PM



“ My deepest condolences to you Diane, and your girls. I remember Scott and you coming and going from his Mom's house. I was the little blond girl that lived next door. It's sad to think that he, Tim and Rick are all gone but their memories will live on for a lifetime. My prayers to you all.

Michelle Eberline-Kirk

Michelle Kirk - August 23, 2019 at 02:04 PM