



Tommy J. Ashbaugh

August 7, 1950 - August 12, 2015

Tommy J. Ashbaugh, 65, of Napoleon, Ohio passed away Wednesday, August 12, 2015 at his residence. He was born in Napoleon, Ohio on August 7, 1950 to the late Lawrence F. and Grace (Green) Ashbaugh. On March 18, 1972, he married Linda (Dietrich) Ashbaugh at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon, Ohio.

Tommy worked as a Manufacturing Engineer for NN Metals, Pioneer, Advanced Engineering, Oregon; and Tenneco, where he retired after 36 years of service. He attained degree's from Northwest State Community College and Bluffton University.

He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon and the Bert G. Taylor American Legion Post #300 of Napoleon. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War and was stationed on the USS Calcaterra in Key West, FL and overseas on the USS Canopus in Scotland. He loved traveling in the motor home, working on his corvette, and spending time with his family. He is survived by his wife Linda; children, Thomas (Kristi) Ashbaugh, Winchester, Virginia, Joshua (KC) Ashbaugh, Napoleon, and Amanda (Joshua) Smith, Napoleon, Ohio; grandchildren, Alaric, Hannah, Dalayna, Zachary, Olivia, and expecting one in January; step mother, Katherine Ashbaugh, brothers and sisters, Larry Bill (Colleen) Ashbaugh, Napoleon, Patty (John) Richards, Chariton, Iowa, Cindy (Gary) Anderson, Weston, Ohio, Peggy (Jim) Smiley, Bradenton, Florida, Terry Ashbaugh, Archbold, Ohio, brother-in-law, Billy Fortney and sister-in-law, Betty Ashbaugh. He was

preceded in death by sisters, Penny Cmehil and Kathy Fortney.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, August 15, 2015 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon. Interment will follow at the Forest Hill Cemetery where military honors will be accorded by the Napoleon Joint Veteran Posts.

Visitation will be from 2 - 8 p.m. on Friday at Rodenberger Funeral Home, Napoleon and one hour prior to the funeral service.

The family suggests memorials be made to St. Paul Lutheran Church, Napoleon or Crossroads Napoleon building fund.

Online condolences may be made at www.rodenbergerfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **14**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Napoleon Funeral Home
1010 Westmoreland Avenue
Napoleon, OH 43545
(419) 592-2333
help@rodenbergergray.com

Visitation

AUG **15**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Paul Lutheran Church
1075 Glenwood Ave.
Napoleon, OH 43545

Service

AUG **15**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Napoleon, OH 43545

Tribute Wall

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“ To the family of Tommy Ashbaugh,

Although I was fortunate to have learned the news in a newspaper, it's very unfortunate that the news was such. I consider myself lucky to have worked with Tom at Advance Engineering, and I join Lisa Krider is saying how good a person he was to be working with. And, maybe because he liked us in our particular office, almost every day he would greet us with "Top 'o the morning!" I always appreciated it, and also learned it was his greeting because of time spent in Scotland. I also appreciate that he stayed with a job that took him far from home. Thanks for the opportunity to express my thoughts.

*Tom Daley
Toledo, Ohio*

Tom Daley - August 17, 2015 at 02:28 PM

JA

“ *I am so sorry for your loss. You have my deepest sympathy. I still think about the times your Mom and Dad came down with the family to my parents home. I am sorry that I was unable to see you all. I talked to Leona and she told me of Tommy's passing. Stay close and you will all meet again!*

Jay and Diane Ashbaugh, Montverde, FL

Jay & Di Ashbaugh - August 15, 2015 at 03:28 PM

YT

“ *Your Friends and Coworkers on the Everest Team purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Tommy J. Ashbaugh.*



Your Friends and Coworkers on the Everest Team - August 14, 2015 at 12:36 PM

MF

“ *Michelle Hesselschwardt & Family purchased the Love's Tapestry for the family of Tommy J. Ashbaugh.*



Michelle Hesselschwardt & Family - August 14, 2015 at 11:45 AM

MC

“ *I cannot express how sad I was at hearing about Tom's passing. He was one of the nicest guys I ever knew. Linda and family, I am so very sorry for your loss.*

marilyn carroll - August 14, 2015 at 10:15 AM

GS

“ *It was with shock when I saw the paper. I have so many fond memory's of us playing games to the wee hours of the morning and the many great times we had on the boat. Linda you and Tom were great friends. I will never forget those days. My prayers and sympathy to you and the family. God be with you. Gail*

Gail Sloan - August 13, 2015 at 07:04 PM

PE

“ I used to hang out with Tommy's sisters (Kathy and Pat) It was so nice of Tommy to take us to Grand Rapids to visit friends in his COOL CAR....442 that was SO SHARP and he was so proud of. I was lucky that he would put up with his sister's friends. Such a gentleman.

Peggy (Wagner) Eitman - August 13, 2015 at 04:19 PM

JD

“ We had a lot of good times in Scotland while serving on the USS Canopus. RIP shipmate you will be missed.

James Dunkle - August 13, 2015 at 04:17 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Tommy J. Ashbaugh.



August 13, 2015 at 01:15 PM

BG

“ So sorry to hear of Tom's passing. My heart breaks for the entire family! Holding you up in thoughts and prayers.

Bob, Marcia & Seth Gobrogge - August 13, 2015 at 01:13 PM

KM

“ Sending love and prayers to all of you. Uncle Tom was a great man with a wonderful spirit. He will surely be missed. So sorry for your loss.

Keri Maxcy - August 13, 2015 at 10:36 AM



“ *Blooming Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Tommy J. Ashbaugh.*



August 13, 2015 at 10:05 AM



“ *John and Patty Richards & Carrie Ann purchased the Sweet Sincerity for the family of Tommy J. Ashbaugh.*



John and Patty Richards & Carrie Ann - August 13, 2015 at 09:40 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Tommy J. Ashbaugh.*



August 13, 2015 at 09:10 AM



“ *I wrote to Tom when he was in the Navy and he always appreciated it. He made a special trip to Elizabeth Eddings funeral to see me. He was always special to me. He was a terrific person. May he fly with the Angels today. Rip Tom.*

phyllis Eddings Tipton - August 13, 2015 at 07:55 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Tommy J. Ashbaugh.*



August 13, 2015 at 01:02 AM



“ *Ed & Rosie Torrez-Ronald-Lisa-Gabriel purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Tommy J. Ashbaugh.*



Ed & Rosie Torrez-Ronald-Lisa-Gabriel - August 12, 2015 at 10:47 PM



“ *Linda and family,
I was an extremely lucky person to have had the opportunity to call Tommy a good friend. He influenced my life through his kindness and his enthusiasm that each and every day was a wonderful day. Tommy was a beautiful person inside and out and will be profoundly missed by all that was fortunate enough to have met him. He made each day happier with just his smile alone.*



As Tommy would say, may he have challenge free days ahead and days full of smiles and beautiful sunrises. He will be forever in my heart.

Lisa Krider

Lisa Krider - August 12, 2015 at 08:58 PM

RT

“ we are truly sorry to hear of your loss, may God give you the strength to get through this tough time, prayers for you and the family.

Bob & Helen Tefft (Josh's grandparents)

Robert & Helen Tefft - August 12, 2015 at 06:51 PM

LG

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Ashbaugh family. Tom will be greatly missed! He always had a pot of coffee ready no matter what time of day! And, he was always ready to help if there was a need.....for example, lock your keys in the car?? Call Tom and he'll run you home to get a spare! He always made us feel so welcome either at home or by a campfire! Our sincerest condolences to Linda and family. Marty & Linda Gross

Linda Gross - August 12, 2015 at 06:38 PM