



Thomas E. Carney, Jr.

March 30, 1965 - April 25, 2026

IN MEMORY OF:

Thomas E. Carney, Jr.

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – CAIRO
4815 Sycamore Street, Cairo, Illinois

Thomas E. Carney, Jr., age 61, of Cairo, passed away peacefully on Saturday, April 25, 2026 at home.

He was born on March 30, 1965 in Glendale, Arizona to Thomas Edward and Sheryl Elaine (Morrison) Carney.

Tom was a proud graduate of Cairo High School where he played pilot football. Tom answered the call to serve his country by enlisting in the United States Navy. Entered service with the Navy in 1985 and served aboard the USS Austin (LPD-4) as an engineman. His service included two deployments with the U.S. 6th Fleet on the Mediterranean Sea. Tom was proud of his service and carried the values of discipline and loyalty with him throughout his life. Despite navigating significant physical challenges, Tom always kept a

positive attitude toward life and he had many friends who thought very highly of him and will miss him dearly. Tom was known for his boisterous laugh, inability to whisper, and easy-going spirit.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Thomas Edward and Sheryl Elaine (Morrison) Carney; grandparents, Viola and Charles Hood; and aunt and uncle, Phyllis and Jerry Kepner.

He is survived by his brother, Stephen D. Carney; along with a multitude of extended family and friends.

A Graveside service with interment will be held on Friday, May 1, 2026 at 12:00 PM with Rev. Larry Potts officiating at Spencer Heights Cemetery in Mounds, Illinois. Friends and loved ones are asked to gather at the cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests with gratitude that memorials may be made to the Cairo Public Library.

Crain Funeral Home in Cairo is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Spencer Heights Cemetery

Mounds, IL

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 1. 12:00 PM - 12:30 PM (CT)

Spencer Heights Cemetery
Mounds, IL

Tribute Wall

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“ *My dear Applebee's partner: TEC
An amazing neighbor...whom I shall miss dearly. Thomas always
had a kind uplifting word for me and I am quite sure he needed an
uplift of two himself... A man of a few words; so, I truly appreciate
his kind words. Rest well, neighbor!*

Regina - May 01 at 10:12 AM

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“ *The Morrison Family Members purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Thomas E. Carney, Jr..*



The Morrison Family Members - May 01 at 09:47 AM



“ *Sweet Liberty was purchased for the family of Thomas E. Carney, Jr..*



April 29 at 09:36 AM

DN

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*



Dana Newton - April 28 at 04:40 PM

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“ Tom was in my Sunday School class back in the 80's and we went to the same High School. Great fella for sure! I remember I had a crush on him for awhile. He was a lot of fun! Tom, we'll see you again in glory!

Cindy Hale - April 28 at 03:10 PM