Thomas Allen Lipe

April 23, 1933 - February 25, 2021

Thomas Lipe, age 87 of Harrisburg, passed away Thursday, February 25, 2021 in Deaconess Hospital, Evansville, IN.

He was born April 23, 1933 in Makanda to Thomas and Hazel (Holder) Lipe.

Thomas married Shirley Lindsey in 1956 and she preceded him on April 27, 1989.

He proudly served his country in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict, experiencing combat.

He worked for Illinois Central Railroad for 16 years and retired in 1965. He then worked for SIU Police Department until 1993. He loved to hunt and fish. He loved the St. Louis Cardinals Baseball.

Thomas is survived by his children, Kimberly (Robert) Smith of Harrisburg; Dale (Vera) Lipe of Cobden and Roger Lipe of Murphysboro; grandchildren, Dr. Jantsen Smith of Peoria; Garrett Smith of Evansville, IN; Chad (Nicole) Lipe of Fort Polk, LA; Ashley Fersonetti of MO; Jesse Lipe of MO; Stephanie Lipe of Murphysboro; Sara (Mike) Stratton of Murphysboro; Kristen Lipe of Carterville; Christopher Lipe of Carterville and Nathan Lipe of MO; many great-grandchildren, other relatives and host of friends.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his loving wife and a son, Thomas Wayne Lipe.

Graveside services for Thomas Lipe will be Monday, March 8, 2020 at 1:00 pm in Murdale Gardens of Memory with Pastor Gary Darnell and Pastor Ted Boulds officiating. Inurnment will follow. Military Honors will be accorded.

Family and friends are asked to go directly to the cemetery.

Crain Pleasant Grove-Murdale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Murdale Gardens of Memory

137 Murdale Gardens Rd
Murphysboro, IL 62966
(618) 687-1145
crain@crainsonline.com

Previous Events

Graveside

MAR **8**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

Thomas Allen Lipe

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM

SA

1 file added to the tribute wall

Savannah - March 23, 2021 at 10:37 AM

SA

I will never be able to express how thankful I am to have had you in my life. You taught me what kindness and patience was. You gave me a safe place as child when I needed it the most. You were always there to rescue me with a big grin and a “it’s ok sugar”. I think of you so often and I know we will meet again in the beyond. Love,Savannah

Savannah - March 22, 2021 at 08:32 PM

KI

1 file added to the tribute wall

Kim - March 17, 2021 at 11:13 AM

HV

Hannah Venderley lit a candle in memory of Thomas Allen Lipe

hannah venderley - March 06, 2021 at 05:35 PM

KS

Kimberly Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas Allen Lipe

Kimberly Smith - March 05, 2021 at 04:38 PM

Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas Allen Lipe.

March 05, 2021 at 07:03 AM

HD

Hina Dave lit a candle in memory of Thomas Allen Lipe

Hina Dave - March 03, 2021 at 09:43 PM

VL

I only knew you for a short time. The first time and every other time we met you always had a big smile that made me feel so Loved and welcomed. I so appreciated your great big smile.

Vera lipe - March 03, 2021 at 08:10 PM

CO

Connie Odum lit a candle in memory of Thomas Allen Lipe

Connie Odum - March 03, 2021 at 06:38 PM

CW

Cassandra Wood lit a candle in memory of Thomas Allen Lipe

Cassandra Wood - March 03, 2021 at 08:42 AM

KS

Kimberly Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of Thomas Allen Lipe

Kimberly Smith - March 03, 2021 at 07:43 AM

GK

Glenn Kellen lit a candle in memory of Thomas Allen Lipe

glenn Kellen - March 02, 2021 at 10:03 PM

GK

Sure was great sharing old stores an going fishing at the HAVEN. BETTER, EATING AT GOLDEN CARROL. Miss u buddy.l

glenn Kellen - March 02, 2021 at 10:11 PM

BS

U told me the same stories over and over again. Can't to hear them when we meet again.

Bob Smith - March 02, 2021 at 10:02 PM

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Bob Smith - March 02, 2021 at 10:04 PM

JS

Jantsen Smith lit a candle in memory of Thomas Allen Lipe

Jantsen Smith - March 02, 2021 at 10:16 AM

GS

Love you grandpa. See you again soon

Garrett Smith - March 01, 2021 at 03:16 PM

KS

Love you a bushel and a peck dad. Rest in peace and be free! I always honored you on this earth. That will never change. Distance and life's time separate us now. In the blink of an eye we will snuggle again. Time may go along but you will never leave my broken heart. Xoxoxo

Kimberly Smith - February 28, 2021 at 07:15 PM

JS

J W SMITH DENTAL LAB BETTY SMITH lit a candle in memory of Thomas Allen Lipe

J W SMITH DENTAL LAB BETTY SMITH - February 27, 2021 at 10:24 PM