



Richard V. Thomas

November 14, 1925 - May 20, 2013

Thomas, Richard V., 87 of Springfield passed away peacefully at home surrounded by his family on Monday, May 20, 2013. Dick was born on November 14, 1925 in Springfield, the only child of Leroy and Ercel Thomas. Immediately following graduation from Springfield High in 1943, Dick joined the United States Marine Corps. He proudly fought in Iwo Jima during WW II. After being honorably discharged from the Marines, he soon began a 30 year career in computers at Wright Patterson AFB. While working full time at Wright-Patterson and maintaining a family with his wife Betty and 3 sons, he attended the University of Dayton receiving a Bachelor of Science degree in 1963. While doing all of this he managed to take the family on fishing trips to either Michigan, Wisconsin or Minnesota for nearly 20 years. Towards the end of his career and into his retirement from Wright-Patterson, he enjoyed being an amateur radio operator, his call letters W8LFU, but his most favorite activity was watching his grandchildren participant in their many and varied sports activities. He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Betty Lou Seaman Thomas; sons and daughters-in-law, Ric and Barb Thomas, Steve Thomas and Maryann Gregor, Garrett and Bernadette (Bede) Thomas; 6 grandchildren, Drew, Gabe, Josh, Russell, Rachel and Zachary; 6 great-grandchildren, Olivia, Lili, Sammy, Avery, Milo and Jackson. The family would like to give special acknowledgment to Dicks' wonderful caregivers who include Carol, Ron, Becky and Billie and that would also include the fantastic staff at Hospice of the Miami Valley. Graveside service will be held on Friday,

May 24, 2013 11AM at Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Tremont City, Ohio, Rev. Dwight McCormick officiating. The family request that in lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Richard to the Hospice of the Miami Valley, 46 N. Detroit St. Suite B, Xenia, Ohio 45385 or to the Alzheimer's Association, Miami Valley Chapter, 3797 Summit Glen Dr. Suite G100, Dayton, Ohio 45449. Condolences may be expressed to the family at www.jacksononlytle.com.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Calvary

Previous Events

Service

MAY **24**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mt. Calvary

Tribute Wall

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“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.*
Bill & Melany Granville

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