



## Thomas Lee Redding

December 9, 1942 - August 15, 2020

Thomas Lee Redding, age 77, of Roanoke, died at 5:58 p.m. Saturday, August 15, 2020 at Visiting Nurse and Hospice Home in Fort Wayne.

Visitation will be from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. Thursday, August 20, 2020 at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana. Funeral services will immediately follow at 12 p.m. Thursday at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Major Gerald Smelser officiating. Burial will be in Gardens of Memory in Huntington County with military funeral rites performed by VFW Post #2689 of Huntington. Please follow local recommendations for face coverings and social distancing during all events.

Preferred memorials are to The Salvation Army of Huntington County, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana, 46750.

Tom was born on December 9, 1942 in Markle, the son of Eldon L. and Dortha Lucille Redding, Sr. He graduated from Huntington Township High School in 1960 and served in the United States Air Force. He married Sandra Kay Bunker in Huntington on May 7, 1972; she preceded him in death on August 8, 2012. Tom worked as a CAD designer for Dana Corp Spicer Axle Division in Fort Wayne for 26 years. He was a member of American Legion Post #160 in Roanoke and the National Rifle Association. He was a member of the Salvation Army of Huntington County and helped teach Sunday school.

Survivors include sons Darin Shane Redding of Huntington, Darin Ray (Mary) Williams of Fort Walton Beach, Florida, and Keric S. Redding of Huntington and a daughter, Lacy Redding of Roanoke. Also surviving are brothers Ronald W. Redding of Tennessee and Steven W. Prilaman of Huntington, three grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. He is preceded in death by his parents, wife, a brother, Eldon L. Redding, and sisters Jean J. Wintrode, Patricia L. Lusch, and Carolyn Sue Land.

# Cemetery Details

## Gardens of Memory

11201 S. Marion Road 35  
Marion, IN 46952

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**AUG 20.** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary  
35 West Park Drive  
Huntington, IN 46750  
(260) 356-1710  
[wecare@baileylove.com](mailto:wecare@baileylove.com)  
<https://www.baileylove.com>

## Service

**AUG 20.** 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

DR

“ Tom and I were room mates while stationed at Hahn Air ForceBase during the 1962 to 65 time frame. We were both avid model airplane builders and we became good friend. We lost track of each other for 50 years and then thanks to google I found a good phone number for Tom and we reconnected in 2017. Tom was a one of the good ones and I was glad to have him a friend.

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**Dick Rake** - February 19, 2021 at 11:09 PM

CA

“ Tom and Sandy were special people in my life. We broke the record for looking at houses that were for sale. I loved every minute I spent with them. Sincere sympathies.

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**Connie Abbett** - August 19, 2020 at 10:13 PM

LA

“ Tom was my special friend from Huntington Township school where we both graduated in 1960. He and Sandy are together again.

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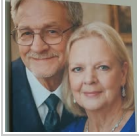
**lawrence** - August 18, 2020 at 11:21 AM

KL

“ Uncle Tommy was the reason I liked drafting and trains . He had an Ho scale model railroad set up in the back room at grandmas and grandpas when I was a kid. And he built all kinds of model airplanes. We use to go watch him fly them. He was a good influence. I will miss him

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**Kenneth Land** - August 17, 2020 at 06:31 PM



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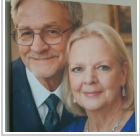
**Barb Herron** - August 17, 2020 at 06:12 PM



“ My heart is heavy and tears rolled down my cheeks at news of Tommy`s death. I remember my awesome Uncle Tommy growing up..always easy to talk with, always there for us kids. I admired him as he built model airplanes in the back room of Grandma Reddings house. I remember his love of God and country and all the room full of eagles and flags at his house in Roanoke. Later on as we grew up we kept in contact sharing each others lives and encouraging each other even on Facebook ..always ending with speaking I love you. His go to word was "Back atcha". So I would smile and say it too. I love you Uncle Tom..you will be missed by all who knew you..may God wrap his loving arms around us all as as we mourn. Heaven has the best ones..play that bass in the heavenly band Tom...hug Sandi and Mom, Grandma Redding, sis, all our loved ones there...as you would say..."Back atcha!" Thank you Georgia and Johnny for taking care of Tommy in his sickness...my heart goes out to you both.

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**Barb Herron** - August 17, 2020 at 05:45 PM



“ *Barb Herron lit a candle in memory of Thomas Lee Redding*



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**Barb Herron** - August 17, 2020 at 05:32 PM



“ *Memcor team! purchased the Simply Elegant Sp  
athiphyllum for the family of Thomas Lee  
Redding.*



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**Memcor team!** - August 17, 2020 at 04:30 PM