



Thomas Tingey Craven

September 26, 1933 - April 22, 2018

Thomas Tingey Craven, age 84, of Athens passed away on 22 April at his residence. Mr. Craven was born on 26 Sep 1933 to TAM and Emma Craven in Washington, DC.

A visitation will be held on 25 April at Limestone Chapel Funeral Home from 6:00 – 8:00. A funeral mass will be held at St. Paul's Catholic Church on 26 April at 11:00.

Mr. Craven retired from the US Army as a Lieutenant Colonel in 1975. While in the Army, he had numerous overseas tours to include two tours in Vietnam. After working for several years as a consulting engineer, to include being the city engineer for Athens, he took the job as the Electric Department manager for the City of Athens, followed several years later as General Manager of Athens Utilities, where he worked until he finally retired for good in 2000. He was a graduate of the United States Military Academy, Princeton, and the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

He is preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Elizabeth Ann Craven; and one son, Thomas Tingey Craven, Jr.

Survivors include two daughters, Deborah Ann Zimmerman of Boca Ratón, FL and Tamlyn Grace Page of Coral Gables, FL; two sons, Jon Patrick Craven of

Oakdale, TN and William York Craven of Huntsville, AL; and seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to either Comfort Care Hospice or the Association of Graduates at West Point.

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Tribute Wall

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“ Tommy was my cousin that I lost contact with after his mother Emma died. My family and I went to his graduation at West Point. I was 14 and very impressed with the hansom cadets. I was searching for him in Huntsville, GA. I found him a while ago searching the white pages. There were 216 people that came up on my search, he was at the top of the list. When I called him and he answered I knew it was him by his voice. I went to visit him because he said he would not fly. We had a wonderful time talking about our childhood. I knew he was ill but did not know he had passed. Rest in Peace, now you are with Ann.

Sandra Butler - December 14, 2018 at 07:07 PM

DL

“ I worked for Athens Utilities while Mr. Craven was general manager. He was the best boss one could ever hope to have. Like all good leaders, he put the welfare of his people first and foremost. He was loved and respected by all at Athens Utilities. He will be sorely missed. RIP Mr. C.

Doyle Lovelace - April 26, 2018 at 06:08 PM

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“ Reminding those whom you support that your thoughts are with them.

Tribute Store - April 24, 2018 at 09:04 AM

JC

“ Tom was my roommate at West Point for three years and then Best Man at my wedding. . He was bright enough that he didn't have to study much at West Point, so Tom usually spent "call to quarters" reading science fiction. We were both commissioned in the Corps of Engineers. Tho we never served together after airborne school, we stayed in touch. Like many others, I am going to miss Tom . He was a good guy and a true friend. So I look up and say to Tom, "Carry on". ~jackC

Jack Campbell - April 23, 2018 at 04:54 PM