



## Tommy Allen Cheek

March 4, 1956 - February 20, 2025

Tommy Allen (Tom) Cheek, age 68 of Jackson, Ohio passed away peacefully with family by his side on Feb. 20, 2025 at the OSU Hospital in Columbus following a short illness. He was born to Johnie & Elsie Lemaster Cheek in Jackson on March 4, 1956. Tom is a 1975 graduate of Oak Hill HS where he was captain of the football team & also a member of the track team. After graduation, he enlisted to serve in the U.S. Navy.

He was stationed aboard the USS Independence aircraft carrier in Norfolk, VA, the USS Voge in Mayport, FL & he also served in Kings Bay, GA. He worked as a VA representative at the Univ. of Rio Grande while attending college there. In his later years he worked as a supervisor at Union Springs & Douglas Machine Shop in Chillicothe, OH. Tom was a disabled American veteran & he was proud to serve in the U.S. Navy.

Tom was preceded in death by his parents; brother Holly Cheek; sisters Grace Radcliff, Ruby Smith & Candy Winteregg. He is survived by his loving wife, Edith Cheek; daughters Heather Cheek (Mac Kloberg) of VA & Lacie Brandon of OH; sisters Geneva (John) McFarland of IL & Cathy Planner of FL; brothers Bill (Jane) Cheek & Eddie Cheek of OH, sister-in-law Debbie (Cheek) Nemeth & special friend Mary Deeter. Tom is also survived by many very special

nieces, nephews, cousins, family & friends.

He loved nature, wildlife & gardening along with living in a cabin he built in the beautiful hills of OH. He enjoyed gathering with family & friends to share food & drinks, play poker, cook over an outdoor fire & deep sea fishing. Tom knew no strangers, loved to talk & loved to “stir the pot.” He loved his special pets: Butters, Nellie, Buddy, Willow, Spike & Lady.

Arrangements are by Mayhew-Brown Funeral Home in Jackson. Following Tom’s wishes, he will be cremated. A Celebration of Life will be held Sunday, May 18th at 3PM at the Wellston American Legion. Family and friends are invited to come and share in food and fellowship. Tom’s family would like to express their sincere appreciation to the medical staff in the MICU at the OSU hospital for their tremendous dedication & care.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

MAY 18. 3:00 PM (ET)

Wellston American Legion  
1001 Pennsylvania Ave  
Wellston, OH 45692

# Tribute Wall

HC

“ I am Tom's daughter, Heather. My dad was a fun dad! He had a rough upbringing, but made sure that I had the childhood that he couldn't have. When he came back from deployments, he would have "daddy-daughter days" with me, where we would spend the entire day together. He took me go-cart driving, taught me how to play tennis, taught me how to play golf, took me the zoo and aquarium. In my teens, he was my favorite person to go shopping with - he was so patient, took me where I wanted to shop and even helped me pick out clothes. When we lived far apart from each other, and he planned to visit me or vice-versa, I would be so excited the day before that I could hardly sleep!

He was a good dad, and I miss him so much! But I know he guides me every day from the other side, I thank him for his presence in my life.

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**Heather Cheek** - April 05, 2025 at 10:16 AM

KB

That was beautiful my friend. Our dads will always be in our hearts and mind and signs will be sent as a message of peace. Many hugs!

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**kelly bowman** - April 30, 2025 at 09:12 PM

KO

Growing up, we lived just "over the hill" from the Cheek family. Gracie and Geneva babysat my brother and me during the summer, Holly had a pet coon. We frequently walked to their cabin to play with tge kids. I believe Tommy was just a little boy. Always enjoyed going to their house. Kathy Skidmore Ohlinger

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**Kathy Ohlinger** - May 14, 2025 at 04:14 PM

ME

“ Always enjoyed working with Tom. Prayers for his family.

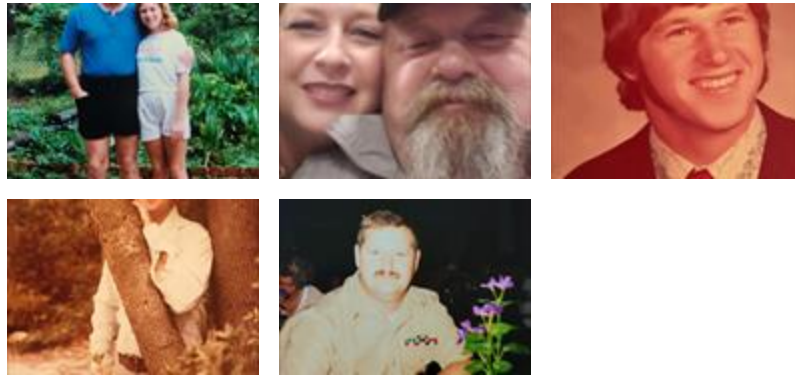


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**Marcia Eyre** - February 25, 2025 at 09:34 AM

HC

“ 5 files added to the album Tommy Cheek Pictures



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**Heather Cheek** - February 25, 2025 at 08:50 AM



“ *May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time,  
May you come to know that the love of God is with you always,*

*May your memories of Tommy Allen Cheek, give you peace,  
comfort and strength...*

*Rest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete.  
I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You  
will not be forgotten...*

*My thoughts  
and prayers to the family of ....*

*US Navy Veteran, Tommy Allen Cheek, is “A True American Hero”  
God Bless†*

*† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life  
for his friends. John 15:13 †*

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**Cheryl Skinner, Tri-state Military Museum** - February 22, 2025 at 09:58 AM



“ *I am so sorry to hear of Tommy’s passing. He  
had such a great sense of humor, along with  
his siblings.*

*My condolences 😞*

*Yolanda Queen*



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**Yolanda Queen** - February 21, 2025 at 08:05 PM