



Thomas C. Thigpen, Jr.

November 2, 1921 - September 14, 2015

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On September 14, 2015, Thomas C. Thigpen, Jr. passed away. He was born on November 2, 1921, to the late Thomas and Lottie Davis Thigpen in Wilmington, North Carolina.

Tom graduated from Arsenal Tech High School in Indianapolis, where he enjoyed participating on local sports teams playing softball and basketball. He was a lifetime bowler and enjoyed woodworking and crafts. Tom was a World War II veteran serving in the U.S. Army, landing on Omaha Beach on D Day, with the 5th Special Engineering Battalion in the invasion of France. He was a lifetime member of the American Legion Post #0497, the V.F.W., and Moose Lodge #17. He was employed with Citizens Gas Company for 32 years, supervising the drafting team. Tom was a member of Brookside United Methodist Church.

Tom is survived by his wife of 67 years, Virginia (McKinney) Thigpen; and brothers-in-law, Robert McKinney (Caroline) and Jack McKinney (Rose). Preceding him in death were his in-laws, Charles and Ruth McKinney; sister and brother-in-law, Mae and Walter Kelly; his sister-in-law and husband, Betty and Richard Duncan; and brother-in-law, Charles Edward McKinney.

Visitation will be Thursday, September 17, 2015 from 12 noon until the time of service at 1:00 p.m. at Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel, 9606 E. Washington St., with Rev. John Blatzheim officiating. Burial will be at Crown Hill Cemetery. Donations in Tom's name may be made to the Salvation Army.

Cemetery Details

Crown Hill Cemetery

700 W. 38th St.
Indianapolis, IN 46208

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 17. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Shirley Brothers Washington Memorial Chapel
9606 E. Washington Street
Indianapolis, IN 46229
(317) 897-9606
<https://shirleybrothers.com/>

Funeral Service

SEP 17. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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