



## Tommy D. Gambrel

December 29, 1939 - June 2, 2026

Tommy D. Gambrel, 86, of Carmel, Indiana, peacefully passed on June 2, 2026 in the comfort of his home, surrounded by family. Tom was born December 19, 1939 in Mt. Carmel, Illinois to the late Jacob Henry and Gracie Jane (Doane) Gambrel. Tom was a graduate of Benjamin Bosse High School in Evansville. He received his undergraduate degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of Evansville and two master's degrees; one from Purdue University and another from Lehigh University. He was employed as an electrical engineer for Bell Labs followed by Hewlett-Packard, from which he retired. Tom proudly served in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1957-1961. Tom was a longtime member of Cornerstone Lutheran Church in Carmel. He was devoted to his church and was honored to help in any way, taking on roles such as Bible study instructor, lector, and usher. Tom was very active in his daily life and was regularly seen throughout his neighborhood running, biking, and walking. He loved meeting with and speaking to every person he encountered and always made it a point to remember their names (as well as the names of their children and pets). Visitation will be held on Friday, June 12, 2026 from 10:00 a.m. until 12:00 p.m. with service immediately following. Both the visitation and service will take place at Cornerstone Lutheran Church, 4850 East Main Street, Carmel, IN 46033.

Tom is survived by his children, Jennifer S. Cain (James), Lance R. Gambrel

(Kelly), Brian J. Gambrel (Stephanie), Derek M. Gambrel (Elexa), and Alissa A. Walker (Ben); sister-in-law, Barbara Gambrel; and 11 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his brother, David Gambrel.

In lieu of flowers, Tom would be honored if you were to simply take a walk or spend some time outside, in his remembrance.

Final care and arrangements are entrusted to Shirley Brothers Fishers-Castleton Chapel.

# Cemetery Details

## Oaklawn Memorial Gardens

9700 Allisonville Rd.  
Indianapolis, IN

# Upcoming Events

## Visitation

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

Cornerstone Lutheran Church Carmel  
4850 E. Main St.  
Carmel, IN 46033  
(317) 814-4252  
<http://www.cornerstonelutheran.church>

## Funeral Service

**JUN 12.** 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Tommy, you stand relieved from your post. A job well done fellow veteran. America thanks you for your service to our country in the defense of freedom. The final volley has sounded and taps is about to begin, ending a successful career as a nation’s defender. Farewell fellow veteran.

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**Robert J. Miklas, USN** - 51 minutes ago