



Thomas Limperis

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He was born in Detroit, Michigan to parents Peter and Anna Limperis who had immigrated from Greece about 16 years earlier. They were blessed with six children, five daughters and one son. That son was Thomas. Greek was his first culture, Greek was his first language, and his admiration and love of that culture expressed itself throughout all his world travels and endeavors. He was a spartan to the end, and proud of it.

Thomas always did well in his studies. Teachers recognized his excellence in math and science which he loved. His appreciation for education grew as he continued on through Cass Tech High School in Detroit. This later would lead to his advanced studies.

Early in the Korean War he enlisted in the Navy. He shipped out on the aircraft carrier the USS Princeton in 1950 as a radio and radar technician, and then later to Korea on a destroyer. He also spent some time on the Korean soil near the battle front giving coordinates to artillery. After four years in Korea, on sea and land, after many battles, some crazy stories, and a bit of shrapnel, he made his way back home to his family in Detroit. He was a decorated veteran and a true patriot. He always linked his work to the idea that he was making

his country a better place.

In 1956 he married Marion Pressing, and he became a loving husband and provider. Soon after that he became the father of five sons. He loved his family and work; but he also loved fishing, hunting, swimming and baseball. Traveling deep into the Canadian wilderness, trout fishing, was one of his fondest family memories. Hours of hunting, fishing and shooting in the great outdoors was the Limperis mode of family fun. It was from this love of the outdoors he bought a ranch on the edge of the Ozark National Forest in Arkansas for the whole family to enjoy.

His passion for studies continued on at the University of Michigan where he graduated with a bachelor's degree and a master's in science with honors. He also was a lecturer at the UofM until his retirement. This opened an opportunity to work at Willow Run Laboratories and then at ERIM in Ann Arbor, Michigan. His success in the scientific and business world was further realized in several companies that he founded and ran as president. To name a few: Sensors Inc, Applied Intelligent Systems Inc, and Nonlinear Dynamics. Life was interesting working in advanced technology with people from around the world, as well as the invitations to work and speak internationally.

Thomas was known by many as a kind and generous man. He was a fascinating conversationalist with a good sense of humor. He was a great chess player and also enjoyed ballroom dancing in his later years. He spent the final days of a long and rich life in Royal Oak, Michigan where he died peacefully in his sleep. A portion of his remains will be interred at Great Lakes National Cemetery. The rest will finally find their home in the wilds of the Ozark mountains that he always dreamed of.

Thomas is survived by his wife Marion Limperis and four of his five sons: Marc (Karrie), Kurt (Lauren), Tom (Dana), and Lee (April May), (Dale predeceased),

seven of his eight grandchildren (one predeceased) and three great grandchildren (one predeceased), and his sisters Cay Limperis and Alice Parker (Donald) whom he all loved dearly. He will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Road
Holly Township, MI 48442