

Thomas Ellington

Godfrey | Wednesday, May 30 2012

Thomas "Tom" W. Ellington (Triple T), 63, passed away at 3:40pm, Wednesday May 30, 2012 at Barnes Jewish Hospital.

He was born in Alton, IL on August 18, 1948, the son of the late Carl L. and Bessie E. (Ontis) Ellington.

On January 1, 1982, he married Mary F. Carnahan (Kay) in Alton, IL.



He was a Mechanical Engineer for DRS Technologies and retired in September 2010. While at DRS, he was awarded several patents for various Military weapon systems. It was always Tom's wishes that his patents would help enhance our military effectiveness. He was a member of the national group Single Action Shooting Society (SASS) and enjoyed Canadian fishing for over 30 years. His hobbies included cowboy shooting, leather working, hand tooling, making belts and bullet straps for guns, but his favorite past time was spending time with his family and friends.

He is survived by his wife Kay Ellington; one daughter and her spouse, Sarah and Patrick Buchana of Troy, IL; three step children and their spouses, Ricky Kramer and Debi of Bethalto, IL, Shari Goetten and Rodney of Fieldon, IL, Greg Kramer and Theresa of Jerseyville, IL; one brother and his spouse, Jerry and Char Ellington of Godfrey, IL; two grandchildren, Reed and Luke Buchana; six step grandchildren, Scott Clinton, Kyle Goetten, Ryan Goetten, Craig Goetten, Krista Kramer, and Travis Kramer; 2 step great grandchildren, Jesse and Scott Clinton Jr.; along with several nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

- In addition to his parents he was preceded in death by his brother David Ellington, and half brother Don Felts.
- Visitation will be from 4 pm to 8 pm, Friday June 1 2012 at Elias, Kallal & Schaaf Funeral Home in Godfrey, IL.
- Funeral service will be at 10 am, Saturday June 2, 2012 at Elias, Kallal & Schaaf Funeral Home in Godfrey, IL with Pastor Charles West officiating.
- Burial will follow at Valhalla Memorial Park.
- Memorials may be directed to SASS for St. Jude Hospital.
- Online condolences and guest book may be found at www.eliaskallalandschaaf.com