



Thomas H. Raftes

September 26, 1944 - May 11, 2026

PORT SANILAC- Thomas H. Raftes, age 81, a resident of Port Sanilac passed away on Monday, May 11, 2026 at the Sanilac Medical Care Facility in Sandusky.

He was born on September 26, 1944 in Kansas, a son of the late Remel and Ruby (Wilson) Thomas.

Thomas proudly served his country in the U.S. Army. He married Jean L. Carmack on September 24, 1993.

Tom worked as a meat cutter for the Butcher Boy Butcher Shop in Fraser for many years as well as many other butcher shops. He was a member of A.A. for over 43 years and also a member of the Alano Club. Tom and his wife, Jean retired to Port Sanilac and enjoyed retirement at their home on the shore of Lake Huron.

He is survived by his wife, Jean Raftes of Port Sanilac, his three children, Theresa (Sam Williams) McKinney, Arthur (Peggy) McKinney and Adam (Brittney) McKinney; his ten grandchildren, Joshua (Jessie), Jovan, Ethan, Kierra, Julie (Nick), Aarica (Nicholas), Zachary, Chase (Kaylee), Stephanie and Zackary; three great grandchildren, Tripp, Alayna and Liliana; and his sister, Linda York.

He was preceded in death by his mother Ruby Raftes and his adoptive father, Constantine Raftes; his daughter, Stacey Coleman and his daughter, Julie McKinney; and by his brother, Basil "Bill" Raftes.

Visitation will be from 3-8 P.M. on Wednesday, May 20, 2026 at the Pomeroy

Funeral Home in Lexington.. Funeral Services will be held at 7 P.M.
Wednesday evening at the funeral home. Rev. Andrew Lacy will officiate.
Interment will be on Thursday at the Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly,
Michigan.

Cemetery Details

Great Lakes National Cemetery

4200 Belford Rd.
Holly, MI 48442

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Pomeroy Funeral Home - Lexington
5635 Main St.
Lexington, MI 48450
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pomeroyfuneralhomes@gmail.com
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Service

MAY 20. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Thomas H. Raftes.*



May 19 at 08:34 AM



“ *Carol Larry purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Thomas H. Raftes.*



Carol Larry - May 15 at 12:23 PM



“ *Tom was my neighbor here in Port Sanilac. He and his wife Jean were very welcoming when I first moved to the area. Always so kind & thoughtful, you will truly be missed!*

Wendy Cates - May 14 at 08:08 AM

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“ My deepest sympathy to the family of my cousin Tom. My mom and dad thought the world of you. I am so grateful we were in touch and messaged each other before you got sick. I know the family was watching over you and were there to greet you in Heaven. RIP Tom



Kim Noe - May 13 at 08:53 PM

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