



## Thomas "Tom" Earl Hamilton

October 24, 1951 - July 22, 2018

Thomas Earl "Tom" Hamilton, age 66, of Albia, passed away on Sunday, July 22, 2018, at the Ottumwa Regional Health Center in Ottumwa, Iowa surrounded by his loved ones.

Tom was born on October 24, 1951, to Francis C. and Edna L. (Lane) Hamilton at the Smith Hospital in Albia, Iowa. Tom grew up on a farm in rural Hiteman, Iowa. He went to country school in Hiteman and upon its closing, was bused to Albia where he graduated with the Class of 1970.

After high school, Tom obtained an Associate Science Degree in Computer Science. He worked as a computer analyst for GMAC in Cedar Rapids, Iowa before moving to Amana, Iowa and working for Amana Refrigeration as a computer analyst until it was sold to Whirlpool. Tom went back to Indian Hills for a computer refresher course but later entered Indian Hills and obtained an Associate Degree in Biomass Fermentation. Tom then went to work in Dyersville, Iowa at an Ethanol Alcohol facility. Tom's present occupation was working at Monroe County Professional Management as a computer analyst.

Tom loved to hunt wild turkeys and deer. He was a very long time member of the National Wild Turkey Federation and enjoyed attending many of the annual banquets and assisting with the games and activities. His true passion was his family and friends. In his family and friend's world, he was known as

“Uncle TA.” His nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, and his little friends loved his hugs and his rough housing.

Those left to carry on Tom’s memories are his brothers, Allen (Dalene) Hamilton of Albia and Eugene Hamilton of Oregon; a sister, Kathy (Bob) Mellecker of Kalona, Iowa; a sister-in-law, Karen Tarver Hamilton of Houston, Texas; many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, grandnephews, and a host of friends, relatives, and neighbors to whom “Uncle TA” was pretty special.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Francis and Edna; a brother, Jim Hamilton of Texas; and a nephew, Carl Mellecker.

Visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Wednesday, July 25, 2018, at Tharp Funeral Home in Albia, with Tom’s family present from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. to greet family and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, July 26, 2018, at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia with Pastor Roger Henry officiating. Burial will follow services at Hiteman Cemetery in Hiteman, Iowa.

Memorials have been established to the family to be determined at a later date.

# Cemetery Details

## Hiteman Cemetery

Hiteman, IA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 25. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home  
116 Benton Ave.  
Albia, IA 52531  
(641) 932-3129  
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

## Funeral Service

JUL 26. 10:30 AM (CT)

Trinity United Methodist Church  
1117 Benton Ave East  
Albia, IA 52531

# Tribute Wall



“ Thomas "Tom" Earl Hamilton

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ Thomas "Tom" Earl Hamilton

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ I am sorry about Tom's passing. He was a very nice person. We went to school together in Hiteman and Albia.

Linda Johnson - November 06, 2018 at 09:09 PM



“ Monroe County Professional Management lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" Earl Hamilton



Monroe County Professional Management - August 13, 2018 at 08:43 AM



“ Karen Hamilton purchased the Simply Elegant Sp athiphyllum for the family of Thomas "Tom" Earl Hamilton.



Karen Hamilton - July 25, 2018 at 11:03 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Thomas "Tom" Earl Hamilton.*



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July 23, 2018 at 06:36 PM



“ *My best memory of my brother Tom is his patience. I think that is what made him a great computer programmer. He was never in a hurry, absolutely would not be hurried. Tom would stay and visit. Always. We just did not know that this time he was finally in a hurry to be with his Mom, his Dad and all the ones who had patiently waited for him. Rest in peace Tom. Rest in peace.*

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**Kathryn Mellecker** - July 23, 2018 at 10:19 AM



“ *I'm so very sorry for your loss. I have fond memories of Tom from church. Praying for you during this very difficult time.*

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**Kim Jolly** - July 23, 2018 at 10:03 AM



“ *Carol Twedt lit a candle in memory of Thomas "Tom" Earl Hamilton*



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**Carol Twedt** - July 22, 2018 at 09:37 PM

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“ I will always remember his laugh & jokes. 🤔💔

Carol Twedt - July 22, 2018 at 09:36 PM

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“ Karen Ahn lit a candle in memory of Thomas  
"Tom" Earl Hamilton



Karen Ahn - July 22, 2018 at 07:22 PM

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*My condolences to all the Hiteman Hamilton family, near and far. But especially the immediate family of Allen & Dalene, Kathy & Bob, Gene and of course Karen Tarver Hamilton and all their children. Nearer, James, Yake; Debbie and Andy Jack: Wendy, Shelly and Ashley. I was lucky enough to be adopted into this family and have ever since felt very lucky. I have a lot of memories of staying, working eating, dirt biking, hunting on that hill east of Hiteman. I truly enjoyed and cherished the hunting memories particularly in Ta's truck (he wasn't gonna walk too far) with Wayne Heeton and Bob Denato. We lost Bob over 20 years ago. I was lucky enough to have gotten to spend a little over an hour with Ta in the hospital a few weeks ago. I am damn glad I got to say good bye, without actually saying good bye.*

*Rest In Peace, Ta.*

*Bobby (Poofa) Blackburn  
The Black Sheep of this Great Family*

Bob Blackburn - July 23, 2018 at 03:48 PM