



## Charles Edward Thorne

March 16, 1934 - September 6, 2020

Charles E. Thorne of Mt. Dora, FL (formerly of Oakland, MD) passed away on September 6, 2020. He was born on March 16, 1934 in Connersville, IN and was the son of Loring Thorne and Thelma Geise Thorne. He was raised in Union City, PA and graduated from Allegheny College, Meadville, PA.

Charles enlisted in the United States Navy, receiving a commission as Ensign in 1958. He served 23 years in the Submarine Service, retiring as Commander in 1981 in the Washington DC area, his last tour being in the Pentagon.

Following his military career, he was employed in computer related positions prior to starting his own business, Thorne Group, a consultant group specializing in large scale computer systems. He was a pioneer in developing computer systems for the electronic delivery of benefits. He retired in Deep Creek Lake, MD. He was active in St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church, community affairs, a member of the VFW and a fourth-degree member of the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Thorne is survived by his wife of 63 years, Barbara Balish Thorne; three sons, Kevin Thorne (Vicki), San Jose, CA, Christopher Thorne (Anne) of Apopka, FL and Jason Thorne (Connie) of Cumming, GA; a sister, Lori Thorne-Smith of Nederland, CO; a brother Jon Thorne of Abilene TX; nine grandchildren and seven great grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Patrick Catholic Church, 6803 Old Highway 441, Mt. Dora, FL on October 16, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. Burial at

Arlington National Cemetery will be at a later date.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorial donations be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 378 CenterPointe Circle, Suite 1280, Altamonte Springs, FL 32701 or the Wounded Warriors Project, P. O. Box 758516, Topeka, KS 66675-8516.

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Lady Lake, FL. Online condolences may be left at [www.BeyersFuneralHome.com](http://www.BeyersFuneralHome.com)

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Our Deepest Sympathies on Charlie's passing. I think of you often as we enjoy your beautiful Deep Creek home with our family and friends. We continue your deck tradition of planting beautiful flowers*



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**Susie & Bob Dimsa** - September 25, 2020 at 04:54 PM

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“ *A loving man a loving couple a loving family a sincere true and genuine witness of what Christian love is all about such an inspiration to us.*

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**Kathy and Jeff Bassett** - September 20, 2020 at 05:51 PM