



## Thomas Thompson Hamilton

November 11, 1923 - August 4, 2017

Thomas Thompson Hamilton formerly of Ironton, MO passed away August 4, 2017 in Farmington, MO at the age of 89 years, 8 months, 24 days.

He was born November 11, 1927 in St. Louis, MO a son of the late Thomas H. and Lucille Guempel Hamilton.

Tom served in the U.S Navy with pride and honor during WWII and the Korean Conflict, and was honorably discharged as a Seaman First Class.

After serving his country in the Navy, he attended and received his Bachelor's Degree from Washington University in finance.

Tom worked for American Bitumel, a division of Standard Oil in Webster Groves, MO., and was later transferred to Baltimore, MD., where he directed traffic of oil tankers from the Middle East to America.

As a young man, he and his friends often camped and fished in and around the Ironton area. As a great outdoorsman, he always said he would move to Ironton if given the opportunity. That opportunity arose in 1974 when he and his wife, Thelma, purchased the Western Auto Store, which was later converted to a NAPA Auto Parts and was operated by them until 2003. Tri City Enterprises, his family Corporation, purchased the 21 Express convenience store in 2005, which he and his son, Ken, operated until early 2017.

He was a former City Councilman and a former Mayor of Ironton. He was

active in the Chamber of Commerce and the Rotary Club. Upon retirement, he volunteered at the Whistle Junction Visitors Center. He was a member of St. Peter Chains Mission Chapel in St.Louis.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Thomas & Lucille Hamilton, by his beloved wife, Thelma, his son, Kenneth Duncan and one sister, Adaline Stroup.

He is survived by one sister, Lucille DeBroeck of Downers Grove, IL., 3 nieces, 4 nephews and numerous great nieces, great nephews, great great nieces and great great nephew.

A funeral mass will be held on Thursday, August 10, 2017 at 10:30 am at Cole Family Funeral Home. Rosary will begin at 9:30 am Thursday morning.

Interment will be held in Arcadia Valley Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers memorial may be made to St. Peter Chains Mission Chapel  
P.O. Box 431

Ironton, Mo 63650

Online condolences may be made online at [www.colefamilyfuneralhomes.com](http://www.colefamilyfuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Arcadia Valley Memorial Park

Russellville Road  
Ironton, MO 63650

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 10. 9:30 AM (CT)

Cole Family Funeral Home  
210 E Reynolds St  
Ironton, MO 63650  
(573) 546-0742

## Service

AUG 10. 10:30 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Thomas Thompson Hamilton*

August 31, 2022 at 12:46 PM



“ *Lisa Marler-neice lit a candle in memory of Thomas Thompson Hamilton*



**Lisa Marler-neice** - August 10, 2017 at 07:06 PM



“ *I worked for Tom for almost 10 Years at the Western Auto Store and then later NAPA.He was one of the Best Employer's I have ever had to Pleasure of Working With and For. Clifford Alan Shy.I had many talks about God,The Bible and the Life hereafter Ann I know That Tom Belived in our Lord Jesus Christ as his personal savior I for one will see him again in Heaven 😊*



**Alan Shy** - August 08, 2017 at 05:46 PM



“ *I will always remember Tom as a gentlemen with kind words and calm wisdom. He was truly a good person and gave so much to his community. He will be missed!  
RIP Tom,  
The Dragonfly-In /Linda McHenry*

**Linda McHenry** - August 08, 2017 at 01:15 PM