



## Carl Emil Thorne

April 14, 1933 - July 31, 2022

Carl Emil Thorne known to all as Bud Thorne, most recently of Piney Flats, Tennessee, passed away on Sunday, July 31, 2022 with his loving family by his side. He was born in a farmhouse in East Gary, Indiana on April 14, 1933 to the late Ralph Thorne and Laura Catherine (Day) Thorne.

Bud graduated from East Gary Edison High School in 1951 where he was active in basketball, football, playing Tuba in the band and acting in school plays. After graduation, Bud entered the US Navy graduating boot camp at Great Lakes Naval Station and serving aboard the USS Wasp (CV -18) during the Korean War. On the Wasp, he made the journey around the world changing from Pollywog to Shellback as they crossed the equator with a key highlight of meeting Chiang Kai-shek when he was on board the Wasp.

After leaving the Navy, Bud worked in various roles before attending Barber school. After which, he established a long-time barbershop in Hobart on Route 6. It was during this time that Bud met his lifelong love, Barbara Thomas, in 1958. He proposed to Barbara on her graduation night, and they were married on September 6, 1958. During their early years of marriage, they traveled throughout the country, enjoyed dinner and dancing in Chicago, and settled in Merrillville, Indiana. Later, Bud began a career in banking serving as a Vice-President and Commercial Lending Officer with multiple banks in Northwest and Central Indiana. Bud completed graduate coursework Agricultural Banking at Purdue University and Commercial Lending at University of Wisconsin. Bud secured lending for countless businesses and eventually

retired from Bank One Merrillville in 1995.

Bud was an avid golfer and enjoyed spending time coaching sports and attending family events. He and Barb hosted family picnics on the 4th of July where the food and stories were remembered for years. His wife, Barbara, was active in the Sigma Beta Philanthropic Sorority benefitting multiple causes in the area and was a dental assistant for 33 years. They liked to move, living in over 19 locations through their years together. Bud will be remembered as a loving brother, husband, father and grandfather.

Bud is survived by his loving wife of 63 years Barbara (Thomas), sister Clara Mae and brother-in-law Donald Wright, sister-in-law Shirley Thorne (Pittman), brother-in-law Frank Thomas and wife Pam (Thompson); son Jason and his wife Kay (Handrick) of Johnson City, TN, daughter Susan and her husband Paul King of Kailua, Hawaii, daughter Catherine and her husband Brent Hohn of Sherman Oaks, CA; grandchildren Jason 'Connor' Thorne, Anneliese Thorne, Sophie Thorne, Cassady King, Kennedy King, and Jack Hohn.

Bud is preceded in death by his parents Ralph Edward Thorne (1993) and Laura Catherine Thorne (Day) (1985), brother Ralph Eldon Thorne (2003) and his wife Caroline 'Carrie' (Takacs) (2011), brother Allen Richard 'Dick' Thorne (1982), and granddaughter Saylor Marie King (1999). A visitation will be held on Monday, August 8, 2022, from 10:00 a.m. until time of service at 12:00 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home & Crematory, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, IN. Pastor John Starr officiating. Interment at Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville, IN. [www.burnsfuneral.com](http://www.burnsfuneral.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Calumet Park Cemetery

2305 W. 73rd Ave.  
Merrillville, IN 46410

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 8. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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## Service

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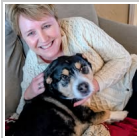
# Tribute Wall

KS

“ I have fond memories of Cathi's Dad. Mr. and Mrs. Thorne would come to visit Jack and we would get to talk with them. Mr. Thorne was the sweetest, kindest most wonderful man. My heart goes out to the family. All will miss him.

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**Kendra Silverstein** - August 08, 2022 at 05:17 PM



“ "Uncle Bud" . A memory I will never forget , Uncle Bud and family came to visit us when we had just moved to Florida , we decided to go to the beach and I would lead the way riding this motorcycle my father and I just fixed up . We decided that it was time for me to join them in the car but it was very busy and no place to park the Bike . Uncle Bud said "I have an Idea let me talk to the Park Ranger" .Uncle Bud walked straight up to him and put out his hand and gave him a big smile , explained the situation and with in seconds the Park Ranger said sure he can park the Bike and the Ranger let me park right by the no parking sign . Uncle Bud said you can get a lot of things accomplished with just a smile and a hand shake . I believe in his words to this day . Uncle Bud you will be missed.  
Timmy

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**Tim Wright** - August 06, 2022 at 12:41 PM

CA

Thank you so much for posting this Timmy, so many little things my dad would say have been going through my mind. He so believed in the goodness of everyone he met and that a smile and a handshake was all that was needed...❤️

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**Catherine** - August 06, 2022 at 08:16 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.



August 05, 2022 at 09:12 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.



August 05, 2022 at 06:28 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.



August 05, 2022 at 04:27 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.



August 05, 2022 at 12:56 PM

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“ 4 files added to the album *The Early Days - Carl "Bud" Thorne*



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Catherine Hohn - August 04, 2022 at 10:51 PM

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“ 45 files added to the album *THE LATER YEARS WITH FAMILY - Carl "Bud" Thorne*

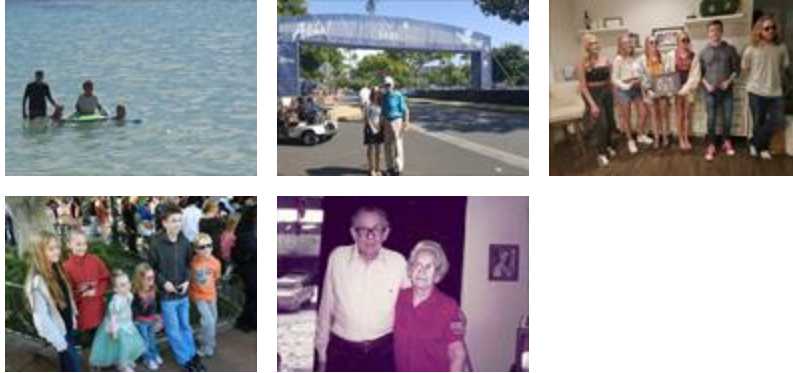


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Catherine Hohn - August 04, 2022 at 10:45 PM

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“ 38 files added to the album *THE LATER YEARS WITH FAMILY - Carl "Bud" Thorne*



Catherine Hohn - August 04, 2022 at 04:06 PM

VC

*Barb we are so sorry for your loss, Bud was a great man*

vickie cornell - August 04, 2022 at 08:45 PM

JS

*We knew Bud back when we were all living in LOFS! We were so sorry to hear of his passing! Our thoughts and prayers for all of you as you mourn this loss!*

*Ed and Joni Sepiol  
Clermont, Florida*

Joni Sepiol - August 08, 2022 at 08:30 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.*



August 04, 2022 at 03:00 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.*

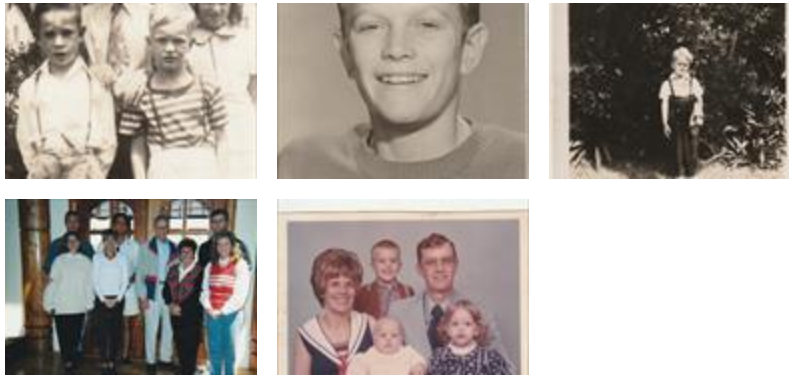


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August 04, 2022 at 02:30 PM

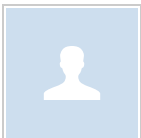


“ *60 files added to the album The Early Days - Carl "Bud" Thorne*



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**Catherine Hohn** - August 04, 2022 at 01:57 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.*



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August 04, 2022 at 01:20 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.*



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August 04, 2022 at 12:33 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.*



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August 04, 2022 at 12:08 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.*



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August 04, 2022 at 11:39 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Carl Emil Thorne.*



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August 04, 2022 at 10:14 AM