

Thomas R Polhamus

Thomas R Polhamus, Age 72, formerly of Colonia NJ. Thomas R Polhamus passed away peacefully June 25, 2009 at his daughter's home in Piscataway NJ, after a long courageous battle with cancer. He was born in Elizabeth NJ, he resided in Colonia NJ, section of Woodbridge Township before moving to Port St. Lucie FL 14 years ago. Mr. Polhamus was employed by the Woodbridge Township police department for 25 years, retiring as a sergeant in 1995. He served in the US Navy from 1955 to 1959. He reached the rank of second class, parachute rigger, served most of his career aboard the USS Essex CVA9, which took him around the world. He also served with his two brothers, Don and Ralph, aboard the Essex in 1959. He belonged to the VFW Post 6061 in Colonia NJ and PBA Local 38 in Woodbridge Township. Mr. Polhamus was predeceased by his wife Annette in 2007, and his brother Ted in 2006. He is survived by daughter Cheryl and her husband Joe Medina of Piscataway NJ, a son Craig Polhamus and his wife Lorie of Sewaren NJ, a sister Beatrice Frazier of Fort Pierce FL, three brothers, Robert Polhamus of Fort Pierce FL, Donald Polhamus of Sewaren NJ, and Ralph Polhamus of Ocala FL; five grandchildren, Brandon, Mikayla and Aiden Polhamus, and Joey and Carley Medina of Piscataway NJ.