



Thomas Alan Carlisle

March 12, 1951 - June 1, 2023

Thomas Alan Carlisle passed away on June 1, 2023, at the age of 72. He was born Thomas Alan Lounsbury to Charles Brooks Lounsbury and Edith Dale Kadel on March 12, 1951 at Mitchell Field, Long Island, NY.

After the untimely death of his father while stationed at Madill AFB in Tampa, FL, the family moved to Kansas City, KS. In 1961 his mother married Byron Addison Carlisle. In 1963 after the family moved to El Dorado, KS, Tom began using his stepfather's surname.

Tom graduated from Kansas State University in 1973 with a degree in Chemical Engineering. Tom took a job in industrial process engineering in Memphis, TN, where he met the love of his life, Denise (Denny) Hannan. They were married in Mound City, IL, on September 17, 1977. They moved to Bartlesville, OK in 1980 where Tom worked for Phillips Petroleum, ConocoPhillips and Phillips 66 for 34 years. He worked in areas including process engineering, pilot plant management, technical management and facilities engineering.

He was a licensed professional engineer for 40 years. He was very active in technical and professional societies. Tom was a long-time volunteer in the MATHCOUNTS program at the local, state, and national levels. He served for many years on the board of the National MATHCOUNTS Foundation in Arlington, VA. He was a licensed amateur radio operator starting at the age of 14.

In retirement, he and Denny enjoyed traveling. He will be remembered as

caring and kind.

He was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife, Denny, his two sons, Brian (Anna) and Chad (Samantha), and his two grandsons, Braden and Redd. He is also survived by his sister, Linda (Gordon) Ziegler and brother, Michael Carlisle.

A funeral Mass will be held at St. James Catholic Church in Bartlesville, OK on June 15, 2023 at 10:00 a.m. An interment service will be held later in the day. Instead of flowers, donations may be made to The Journey Home located at 900 Washington Blvd. Bartlesville, OK 74006, or to the charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall



“ I attended Skyline grade school in Roeland Park Kansas... kindergarten through about 5th grade with Tom...Tom Lounsbury in those days. We also attended Sunday school together...a long time ago but I think his mom was the church secretary. He was definitely my best friend...we liked the old tv show Sea Hunt and played Untouchables ...I was Eliot Ness and he Rico Rossi...in our Untouchables "club". He was the smartest person in our class and a very good artist...lots of other memories...missed him a lot after his mom remarried and he moved away. No surprise he had a successful life...

Jay Cundiff - November 06, 2025 at 06:58 PM



“ Thomas Alan Carlisle

October 23, 2023 at 04:40 AM



“ Thomas Alan Carlisle

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ I met Tom as my freshman roommate at KSU. We got along so well we rented an apartment our second year. His wit was unmatched. His passing hurts but i am glad he is not suffering anymore. My prayers are for Denny and the rest of Toms family. Rest in peace my friend.

Bob Mann - June 17, 2023 at 09:48 AM

MJ

“ My introduction to Tom was through MathCounts then I was fortunate enough to report to Tom for almost two years. He epitomized the engineering profession in many ways. I learned so much from him about supervision and leading a service organization. He will be missed!

Mandy Johnston - June 15, 2023 at 09:41 AM

DZ

“ So very sorry to hear that Tom has passed away. I worked with him on assorted projects and interactions at Phillips R&D over the years. He was always great to work with and I considered him a good friend when there. Life is just too short. Good luck to all of the family. Hang Tough!! z

David R Zornes - June 03, 2023 at 03:17 PM

DJ

“ Always enjoyed visiting with Tom! Yes “sparkling of course”

Dee Jones - June 02, 2023 at 10:35 PM

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“ Always remember when asking Tom how he was, he would reply “sparkling of course!”
He loved KSU football. I enjoyed talking with him about my nephew, who played there. 🙏

Florence Trotter Wise - June 02, 2023 at 10:26 PM

SC

“ Tom and always sent texts to each other during KState games and Ok State games. He was “sparkling of course”. I will miss him for sure. Love to his family.

Stephanie Colclasure - June 02, 2023 at 08:16 PM



“ *Tom was sparkling* ”

Mike Kindley - June 02, 2023 at 07:51 PM