

# Thomas John Gaffney



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**Born:** 26 August 1945 *in* Port Huron, MI  
**Married:** 02 August 1969 *in* Port Huron, MI  
**Died:** 20 October 2003 *in* Port Huron, MI

**PORT HURON** – Thomas John Gaffney, 58, of Port Huron, reunited with his relatives in Heaven on October 20, 2003.

He was born to Thomas R. and Paulla Gaffney on August 26, 1945 in Port Huron, graduated from Port Huron High School in 1963, and then graduated from University of Michigan in 1968.

On August 2, 1969, he married Christine Bottomley.

Tom had been the owner of Gaffney's Today's Man Clothing Shop, and he worked at Jacobson's Department Stores, Commercial and Savings Bank, Beard Campbell Co., and LeTarte Tool Co.

He was active in community affairs and had a great love for genealogy and history. He was a past board member at Mercy Hospital, Peerless Commission, Brownfield Commission, Historical Society of Michigan, and Port Huron Museum, Port Huron Planning commission, and Port Huron Sports Hall of Fame where he was a founding board member. He also helped found the Port Huron Antique and Classic Boat Show with his good friend, Sandy Duffy.

Tom was a member of the Port Huron Yacht Club, Port Huron Power Squadron, Irish-American Club of St. Clair County, Port Huron Lodge #343 B.P.O.E., Pine Grove Lodge #11 F. & A.M., and Port Huron Museum. He was a former member of the Port Huron Jaycees and Kiwanis Club of Bluewater Area.

He is survived by his wife of 34 years, Christine B. Gaffney; his son and daughter-in-law, T.J. And Heather Gaffney; two grandchildren, Thomas William Gaffney and Phobe Marie Gaffney. He is also survived by many other relatives whom he considered to be his good friends.

Cremation has taken place.

A service in Tom's memory will be held at 11 a.m. Thursday, Oct. 23, 2003 in Smith family Funeral Home-North, 1525 Hancock Street. The Very Rev. Charles Hoffacker, Rector of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, will officiate.

Internment will take place in Mt. Hope Cemetery at a later time.

Visitation will be in the funeral home today from 2 to 4 and from 7 to 9 p.m. In the Pine Grove Lodge #11 F. & A.M. Will also conduct a memorial service in the funeral home this evening beginning at 7 p.m.

Contributions may be made in Tom's memory to the Walter Brooks Memorial Fund for Port Huron Museum, Huron House, or the Historical Society of Michigan.

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**Birth:** 1945 26 Aug

Port Huron, Michigan, USA

**Military:** 1968

Age: 23

Great Lakes, Lake, Illinois, USA

US Navy

**Marriage to:** Private

1969 2 Aug

Age: 23

Port Huron, Saint Clair, Michigan, United States of America

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

**Employment:** 1970

Age: 25

Jackson, Jackson, Michigan, USA

Jacobson's Department Store

**Death:** 2003 20 Oct

Age: 58

Port Huron, Michigan, USA

**U.S. School Yearbooks about Thomas Gaffney**

Name: Thomas Gaffney

Estimated Birth Year: abt 1950

Age: 16

School: University of Michigan

School Location: Ann Arbor, Michigan

Year: 1966

Yearbook Title: Michiganensian 1966

**U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs BIRLS Death File, 1850-2010 about Thomas Gaffney**

Name: Thomas Gaffney

Gender: Male

Birth Date: 26 Aug 1945

Death Date: 20 Oct 2003

Branch 1: NAVY

Enlistment Date 1: 15 Sep 1968

Release Date 1: 16 Oct 1968

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Birth Date:	26 Aug 1945
Address:	4444 Gratiot Ave, Port Huron, MI, 48060-8603

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Service Info.:	SR US NAVY VIETNAM
Birth Date:	26 Aug 1945
Death Date:	20 Oct 2003
Cemetery:	MT Hope Catholic Cemetery
Cemetery Address:	1209 Krafft Road Attn: Ron Ceglarek Port Huron, MI 48060

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State (Year) SSN issued:	Michigan (1962)