



Thomas Alan Riley

May 12, 1939 - April 23, 2018

Thomas A Riley, 78, passed away April 23, 2018. He was born and lived in Central Upstate New York until relocating to Orlando, Florida in 1978.

He was a U. S. Navy Veteran; IBM Employee; Sentinel Drill Team & Syracuse Brigadiers Drum & Bugle Corps Colorguard member; and became an official Field Show Judge of such competitions.

Tom introduced the local Boy Scout Troop to canoe racing and 100 mile canoe trips, year-round camping, and many life skills.

He also served as an instructor for one of N.Y. State's largest and most renowned High School Marching & Field Competition Band & Colorguard Groups during the 1970's and traveled with them to Italy for an invited performance.

Before band and colorguard activities became main focus, he raised sheep and beef cattle on the family's small farm.

Hunting remained a favorite passtime, to which he added fishing and sailing after moving to Florida.

Surviving are four brothers; a sister; his wife of 60 years; two sons; daughter; daughter-in-law; several grandchildren and great grandchildren; as well as extended family. he was predeceased by one brother.

Burial will be at the family's convenience in his upstate New York hometown.