



Thomas Joseph O'Brien

November 15, 1939 - July 29, 2023

(83 years old)

Lexington, South Carolina

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Thomas Joseph O'Brien of Lexington, South Carolina, born in Lynn, Massachusetts, who passed away on July 29, 2023, at the age of 83, leaving to mourn family and friends. Family and friends are welcome to leave their condolences on this memorial page and share them with the family.

He was predeceased by: his parents, James Joseph and Gertrude Moss O'Brien; his wife Barbara; his sister Rita; his brother-in-law Sonny Edmands; his brother Jim; and his siblings-in-law, Agnes O'Brien, Jack Larson and Gunnar Rhode.

He is survived by: his children, Kelly O'Brien Hawsey, Sean Thomas O'Brien (Marcy) of Lexington and Shannon O'Brien Burnett (Ashley) of Lexington; his grandchildren, Ryan Hawsey (Paige), Madison O'Brien, Luke O'Brien, Alex Burnett and Abby Burnett; and his caregiver Joann. He is also survived by nieces and nephews and Rhode in-laws.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating in his memory to St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, <https://www.sslc.org>, the National Alzheimer's Association, <https://www.alz.org>, or buy a good bottle of scotch and raise a glass to Pop.



Thomas Joseph O'Brien , CDR



Personal Information

Nickname	O'Bie
Spouse / Partner	
Next of Kin	
Address	
Phones	
E-mail Addresses	
Deceased	
Doing Now	Date of Birth: 11/15/1939
Status	Changed on: 8/1/2023 Updated by Frederick W. Borgmann (fwborgmann@comcast.net)

US Navy Service Information

Years Served	Joined in 1957 left in 1996
Highest Rank - Rate	O5 - CDR
Service Number	902 90 42
USN Retired	Yes in 1996
Naval Service Highlights	Enl: Nov 57, E1 to E7 ICC(SS), WO1 to WO3 Electrician then Engineering Technician, LTJg., LDO to CDR., LDO both Submarine and Surface, Ret. 1 Jul 1996
Ships Served On	SS-400, SS-302, SS-392, SS-489, SS-328, SSBN-628, SS-347, SS-485, AS-18, AS-40

Hull#	Ship's Name	Rate/Rank	Years	Special Duties	Division
SS-400	Sea Devil	IC3(SS)	1959-60	Qualification in Submarines	Deck/ Electrical
SS-302	Sabalo	IC3(SS)	1960-60	May 60 - Aug 60	
SS-392	Sterlet	IC3-IC2	1960-61	IC gang / senior controllerman	Electrical
SS SSB/AGSS-489	Spinax	IC2(SS)	1962-62	IC Gang / controllerman	Electrical
SS-328	Charr	IC2(SS)	1962-63	Senior Controllerman	Electrical
SSBN-628	Tecumseh	IC2(SS)IC1(SS)	1963-65	Commissioning crew / IC Forward	Electrical
SS-347	Cubera	IC1(SS)	1969-69	Senior Controllerman	Electrical
SS-485	Sirago	IC1(SS)ICC(SS)	1969-70	Senior Controllerman	Electrical
AS-18	Orion	CWO3	1976-79	Asst. Repair	Repair
AS-40	Frank Cable	LCDR	1981-81, 1984-84	Asst. Repair	Repair

Name	Location	Rate/Rank	Years	Special Duties
FBMSTC	Charleston, SC	ICC(SS)	1966-66, 1969-69	Instructor, Engineering Department
SAMAR	Portsmouth, VA	WO1	1970-70, 1973-73	Ships Activation YR64
Mine Force Support Group	Charleston, SC	CWO2	1973-73, 1975-75	Electrical Repair
FMAG	Norfolk, VA	LTJG	1978-78, 1980-80	Repair
Atlantic Fleet Training Command	Norfolk, VA	LT	1984-84, 1986-86	NR ABC Warfare Coordinator
SIMA	Charleston, SC	LCDR	1986-86, 1989-89	Billet Coordinator for SIMA
SIMA	Charleston, SC	CDR	1990-90, 1994-94	Repair