



Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon, USN, Retired

March 25, 1959 - September 11, 2021

HM1 (SCW/FMF) Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon, USN, Retired, age 62, passed away Saturday, September 11, 2021, at Sumner Regional Medical Center with his daughter Rachel with him via video call, after a short battle with COVID.

Tommy was born in Camden, Tennessee, on March 25, 1959, to James T. and Lucille Lay Gordon. When he was 5 years old his family moved to Old Hickory, Tennessee, where he resided until he joined the U.S. Navy in 1985. Tommy graduated from DuPont High School in 1977. Tommy was a highly decorated veteran. He retired in 2005 after serving his country for 20 years as an 8404 Combat Corpsman spending most of his career with the U.S. Marines. While in the Navy he was involved in the Panamanian Conflict, Persian Gulf War, Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation Enduring Freedom. He received the Navy and Marine Corps Commendation Medal, Joint Service Achievement Medal, (3) Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals, Presidential Unit Citation, Joint Meritorious Unit Commendation, (5) Navy Good Conduct Medals, (2) National Defense Service Medals, Navy and Marine Corps Expeditionary Medal, Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal, (3) Sea Service Deployment Ribbon, (2) Navy and Marine Corps Overseas Service Ribbons, Expert Pistol Shot Medal, Expert Rifleman Medal, Seabee Combat Warfare Specialist, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Navy Fleet Marine Force Ribbon, and Meritorious Unit Commendation. After retiring from

the Navy, Tommy worked for Lexus of Nashville until he retired in May 2021.

He is preceded in death by his Mother Lucille Lay Gordon his father James Timothy Gordon, brothers John Timothy Gordon and James Paul Gordon and sister Cindy Maniscalco. Also, his Son-In-Law Joshua Vincent Chandler.

He is survived by his daughter, Rachel Tuesday Chandler (Davey), his son Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon Jr., his 6 grandchildren Xiona Tuesday Chandler, Ayiana Grace Gordon-Chandler, Peyton Olivia Chandler, Rachel Elizabeth Chandler, Alexis Rose Gordon, Alejandro Garcia his girlfriend, Renee Minchey, his sisters Muriel Humphries and Mary-Nell File and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins and special friends.

Tommy loved being a grandfather, spending time with his trusted companion Silka, riding his Harley Davidson Road King, and spending time on his boat.

Tommy's family would like to give a special thank you to Tommy's girlfriend, Renee Minchey. He could not have asked for a better companion to enjoy his life with. Tommy loved Renee deeply and they have been inseparable for the last 10 years. Renee ensured that those years were filled with love and adventure for Tommy and for that we will be forever grateful.

A graveside service will be held at Middle Tennessee State Veterans Cemetery, 7931 McCrory Lane in Nashville, TN, on Friday, September 17, 2021, at 9AM.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project in Tommy's honor. <https://www.woundedwarriorproject.org/contact-us>

Cemetery Details

Middle-TN State Veterans Cemetery

7931 McCrory Ln.
Nashville, TN 37221

Previous Events

Graveside

SEP 17. 9:00 AM - 9:15 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon, USN, Retired*

October 14, 2022 at 08:02 PM



“ *Tommy and I shared so many good memories together both when we served together and latter as we would meet him and Renee in TN yearly. He was my brother and he will be missed.*

Randy Christmas - September 16, 2021 at 03:11 PM



“ *Randy and Tasha Christmas purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon, USN, Retired.*



Randy and Tasha Christmas - September 16, 2021 at 03:07 PM



“ *Mandy Spain lit a candle in memory of Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon, USN, Retired*



Mandy Spain - September 16, 2021 at 11:27 AM



He was one of the nicest customers when I cut hair. He spoke often of his family and always had a smile.

Mandy Spain - September 16, 2021 at 11:28 AM

GR

“ We will miss you so much. You told me I said if you are together with Renee for 7 years then you'd be part of the family. You ask me if you were a part 7 yrs later and I told you that you was from day one. You brought so much happiness to Renee and we thank you for that and all the love you shared. ❤️

Gina & Joey Resha - September 15, 2021 at 06:48 PM

DD

“ Debby Bradford Dillingham lit a candle in memory of Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon, USN, Retired



Debby Bradford Dillingham - September 14, 2021 at 06:36 AM

DG

“ I am sorry for the loss of Tommy. My continued prayers for his family and Renee. Tommy was a good friend and great person. He will be missed. ❤️🙏🙏🙏

Debra Gilpatrick - September 13, 2021 at 09:01 PM



“ Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon, USN, Retired.



September 13, 2021 at 05:38 PM

MH

“ Muriel Humphries lit a candle in memory of Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon, USN, Retired



Muriel Humphries - September 13, 2021 at 05:27 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon, USN, Retired.



September 13, 2021 at 05:27 PM

NM

“ Norma Mays lit a candle in memory of Charles Thomas "Tommy" Gordon, USN, Retired



Norma Mays - September 13, 2021 at 03:46 PM

RC

“ 14 files added to the tribute wall



Rachel Chandler - September 13, 2021 at 01:39 PM

RC

“ The loves of his life. ❤️



Rachel Chandler - September 13, 2021 at 01:13 PM