



## Thomas James Dinkel

November 8, 1937 - February 4, 2019

Thomas James Dinkel, 81, passed away February 4, 2019. He was born on November 8, 1937 in Las Animas, Colorado to Pauline (Paul) and Joseph Dinkel. Thomas spent most of his life living and working in Fort Collins, CO. Thomas met his wife, Carol, and they eloped to Arizona and were married on September 5, 1958. They had three children, Thomas, Tim, and Kathryn.

Thomas spent time serving in the United States Navy. He was honorably discharged on March 5, 1962. After spending 4 years in the Navy, Thomas got into the logging business. Thomas then went on to work at a gas station and run a milk route. He then settled into employment at Hewlett Packard/Celestica for 20+ years. Thomas and Carol then went into business for themselves opening up a ceramic shop and later adding a donut/ice cream shop in LaPorte, CO. He loved spending time socializing and telling stories with his regular customers. After closing their business, Tom spent his days working with the Poudre School District.

Thomas's favorite pastime was spent fishing at his favorite spot (Watson Lake). He loved spending time outdoors and going on hunting trips with his family. Thomas was an amazing husband, father, brother, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend.

He is preceded in death by both parents, Pauline and Joseph (Dinkel); his

wife, Carol; three brothers, Wilbert, Joe, and Duane; his sister, Wilma Casteloes; three granddaughters, Traci and Emily Dinkel and Savannah Daniels. He is survived by his sons, Thomas Dinkel Jr. (Karen) of Laporte, CO, Tim Dinkel (Susan) of Cheyenne WY; daughter, Kathryn Daniels (Robert) of Laporte, CO; grandchildren, Jessica Pinger (Mike) of Grand Junction, CO, Kelli Jo Dinkel of LaPorte, CO, Thomas Dinkel, III (Stephanie) of LaPorte, CO, Tim Dinkel, Jr. (Sammi) of Wellington, CO, Cody Dinkel (Morgan) of Windsor, CO, Tyler Daniels (Melissa) of Ault, CO, Tony Daniels of Laporte, CO and 11 great-grandchildren.

A Funeral Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, February 11, 2019 at Bohlander Funeral Chapel. Interment to follow at Resthaven Memory Gardens Cemetery. Those who wish, may view Thomas from 12 Noon to 4:00 p.m. on Sunday, February 10, 2019 at Bohlander Funeral Chapel. Friends may send condolences to the family at [bohlanderfuneralchapel.com](http://bohlanderfuneralchapel.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Resthaven Memory Gardens Cemetery

8426 S. College Ave.  
Fort Collins, CO 80525

# Previous Events

## Viewing

FEB 10. 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM (MT)

Bohlender Funeral Chapel  
121 W. Olive Street  
Fort Collins, CO 80524

## Funeral Service

FEB 11. 11:00 AM (MT)

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# Tribute Wall

RD

“ I'm so gonna miss you!! You was a great Uncle to me and many others. I will treasure the memories and the stories you shared with me. Rest now and be the angel watching over us all.  
Love,  
Robbie

Robbie Dinkel - February 10, 2019 at 01:08 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Thomas James Dinkel.



February 09, 2019 at 06:55 PM

KW

“ Karen and Tom And Dinkel Family sorry to hear about Tom's Dad passing May God Bless you and shower you with love and peace during this difficult time always enjoyed when Mom and Dad stopped in local Conoco in their daily travels❤️❤️❤️❤️💜💜💜💜

Kate Weeks - February 09, 2019 at 10:47 AM

SC

“ Condolences to the Dinkel family on the loss of your loved one. On behalf of the Sterling Crane family, in support of Thomas Dinkel III, we wish you peace and love through your grief.

Sterling Crane - February 07, 2019 at 11:55 PM



*Sorry to hear. Of your loss ,Danny anf Kim Engel Karen's sister*

**Kim Engel** - February 11, 2019 at 11:41 PM

SL

*“ I can recall Tommie coming around our house. He ran around with my brother Clyde. who would have thought that his grandson would marry my nice Stephen. My heart goes out to the family. Love and Prayers Aunt Sandy Masters*

**Sandy Langren{Masters}** - February 07, 2019 at 10:05 PM

JC

*“ my condolences to the family of my brother, Tom.. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Tom was a wonderful person and I will miss him greatly..I love you!!!! Love, Aunt Joyce*

**joyce connell** - February 07, 2019 at 03:47 PM



*My sincere condolences to all the family. From Martinez family, we met at hospice*

**Mary Sanchez** - February 08, 2019 at 12:11 PM

RM

*Our condolences to the Dinkel family. We are sorry to hear ofTom's passing. We enjoyed getting to meet Tom at several of the family events. He was a good man. We know he will be missed by everyone. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Love Ron and Lyn Martin*

**Ron and Lyn Martin** - February 10, 2019 at 05:29 PM