

Capt. [Thomas F. Hahn](#), U.S.N. Ret., age 80, died Wednesday, May 23, 2007 after a long illness. He is survived by his wife of 39 years, Nathalie White Hahn; son Christopher of Glen Burnie, MD; daughter Elizabeth and her partner Lisa Sasser of Amherst, NH, children of a former marriage to Elizabeth Curtis (deceased); son Duane Torrey and wife Linda of Londonderry, NH; daughter Diane Torrey of Tallahassee, FL; and granddaughter Beverly Hahn of Cockeysville, MD. After retiring from a 28 year Naval career, Thomas pursued an education at Shepherd College and West Virginia University (WVU) earning a Masters degree in History and PhD in Industrial Archaeology, specializing in the study of Canals. Thomas was president of the American Canal Society from 1972 - 1997 and a member of the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal Society. He was an adjunct professor at WVU, authoring several books in his field. Thomas also studied languages, being fluent in many. After 25 years in Shepherdstown, West Virginia and spending summers in Maine, he moved to Fort Myers, FL year round in 1999. Thomas was closely connected with his Native American heritage and was a former Chief of the Kansas [Delawares](#) Nation. He was a founding member of All Faiths Unitarian Congregation of Fort Myers. There will be a memorial service at 5pm, Wednesday, May 30 at the home of Amanda Evans followed by a Life Celebration Reception at Sabal Springs Country Club. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: All Faiths Unitarian Congregation, or Hope Hospice, Fort Myers, FL.



