



Clairmont "Tub" Summers

May 26, 1926 - June 21, 2016

Born May 28, 1926 in Walton, West Virginia, he was the son of Everett Lawson and Willa Mae Droddy Summers. He married Ardeth Dowell VanNort on July 24, 1949 in Marienville, Pennsylvania; she preceded him in death on February 19, 2007.

He is a member of Grace Immanuel Bible Church in Jupiter, Florida.

In 1944, he graduated Jefferson Union High School in Richmond, Ohio. Upon graduation he entered the Army and was in the 38th Infantry Division serving in New Guinea and the Philippines. He was discharged in 1946 after serving 30 months. He started work with Harford Bros. pipeline contractors, in Emporium, Pennsylvania where he was heavy equipment operator and foreman.

In 1952, "Tub" left Harford Bros. to help form Skyline Steel Erection, Inc. in Linesville. They erected structural steel in the Tri-State area of Pennsylvania, Ohio, and New York.

Linesville Construction Co. came into being in 1955 when "Tub" bought two bulldozers and started an excavating business, engaging in farm conservation work, building roads, moving drilling rigs, etc. This company was incorporated in 1960, and he was named its president.

Having been raised in the oil fields and never having gotten pipelining out of his system, in 1957 he started doing pipeline distribution work and gradually entered into all phases of pipeline construction.

One interesting project of the Linesville Construction Co. was the laying of the first natural gas line in Vermont from the Canadian border south to Burlington. This was constructed in the winter of 1965! Linesville Construction Co. had many contracts with major oil and gas companies in Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, and West Virginia. The main office and warehouse of the company was located in Linesville, PA. "Tub" always gave much of the credit for the success of the companies to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and the faithful and dedicated men and women who had worked with him.

He was an extremely active business entrepreneur with many interests that included Summers Leasing, Riverside Golf Course, Summers and Perkins Drilling, Spaldings, Inc. in Meadville, and St. Lucy Development.

He was very active in the community affairs of Linesville and was a member of many civic organizations, which included being on the Meadville Medical Center Board for 11 years and the Integra Bank Board for 15 years. "Tub" and his wife Ardeth were founding members of Jonathan's Landing in Jupiter, Florida.

He enjoyed hunting and boating and was partial to hunting pheasants in South Dakota and deer and wild turkey in Pennsylvania.

Survivors include a daughter, Leslie Ferraro and her husband, Mark, of Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina; eight grandchildren; four great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a son, Lynn C. Summers; two sisters, Inez Asburry and Erma Lou Summers; and three brothers, Harold Lawson Summers, Ray Donald Summers, and Harry D. Summers.

A Viewing will be held on Saturday, June 25, 2016 at Grace Immanuel Bible Church 17475 Jonathan Drive, Jupiter, FL 33458 from 10 AM until 12 PM followed by a Funeral Service 12 PM at Grace Immanuel Bible Church . In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Expositor Seminary at Grace Immanuel Bible Church, 17475 Jonathan Drive, Jupiter, FL 33458 or Jupiter Medical Center Foundation, 1230 So. Old Dixie Hwy., Jupiter, FL 33458 or Hospice of Palm Beach County, 5300 East Avenue, West Palm Beach, FL 33407

Tribute Wall



“ *Clairmont "Tub" Summers*

October 22, 2023 at 10:17 AM



“ *I will miss Tubs! I knew his name all my life but living in Florida and the separation of the miles, we seldom had contact in my early years. He visited my family in Africa when we served as Missionaries and we struck up a wonderful friendship but still we seemed always separated by miles! But periodically we'd talk at length by phone and it was the highlight of my week when he would call! Once my wife passed away last year, he would call me from time to time to check up on me...to see how we were doing! I can never express how much that meant. Another thing that also meant a lot to me was in the past few years we have been able to share our love for our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. I will miss him greatly and I understand how much his family will miss him to! But we'll see him soon, strong vibrant and full of the Tubs character that we know and love!*

John Crews - Fort Meade, FL - June 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Tub was a dear cousin! We loved to stop and visit with him at Jonathan's Landing. It was like having a little visit with Uncle Webb and Aunt Mae again...as he was such a special blend of his parents (who both had a wonderful sense of humor), and it brought back such great memories of our fun times with them after they moved to Florida when we could visit often when we were growing up! Tub missed Ardeth so much and loved sharing pictures and stories about Leslie and family. Tub was so proud of his grandchildren and all they were doing with their lives. And of course, Tub's church family meant so much to him. He loved being able to invest in the lives of those training in his church's seminary. A couple of weeks ago when I spoke with Tub on the phone in rehab, he said he held me in his heart and wanted me to know I was in his prayers...such a dear and special man! Since we lost our mother (Tub's Aunt Pauline) in 2003, he kept in touch and would call to check on me. He will be missed!We will be praying for Leslie and family.Love and prayers, Donna Crews Hedges

Donna Hedges - Orlando, FL - June 28, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RP

“ To the family of Tubs,He was a wonderful man. He was our Uncle Harry's brother but to us her was Uncle Tubs! Prayers to you all.

Roger and Kris Copeland - Albion, PA - June 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ I have many fond memories of Uncle Tub. The one that I will never forget is how Uncle Tub, Uncle Harry, Uncle Buzz, and my Dad (Bill), Aunt Lou, Aunt Tint, all called me "Boozy June" I really have no idea where they came up with that name but from a small child that is what I was called. Uncle Tub was a strong minded "never give up" individual. Worked very hard all his life to build a company he could be proud of that started as nothing. He loved his family and knew enough not to cross "Granny" (as we all did) she was matriarch of the family and was respected by her children and grandchildren. The memories of living in Duhring, the oil lease, swimming in the creek, CCC camp, the antics of the " Summer's boys" , Granny trying to keep everyone in line (specifically Jimmy Joe - she had her work cut out for her there!), time spend with cousins, and family togetherness will always be a part of my fondest memories. I am so thankful that Jim and I were able to spend some time with Uncle Tub on his last "90th" birthday - he will be very much missed as the last of our Summer's aunts and uncles. My sympathies to Leslie, her children, and grandchildren and the many loyal and close friends that Uncle Tub had over the years. He will be Missed.

Beverly O'Rourke - Marienville, PA - Family - June 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ Rest in peace dear friend you will never be forgotten

Gary (whitey) malinowski - pittsfield, PA - June 26, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ So sorry to hear of Uncle Tubs passing. I didn't see him often, but when I did, he always made me smile.

Barb Summers Counts - Celoron, NY - Family - June 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ Dick & I have special memories of "Tub" as a friend and neighbor and the many occasions we spent with him and Ardeth .Our prayers and thoughts are with you Leslie and your Family.

Richard/Shirley Jones - Linesville, PA - Friend - June 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Leslie, We are so sorry to hear about the passing of your Dad. What a great man. He surely will be missed. Know that you and your family are in our prayers and thoughts. God be with you all.

Lisa Stewart - June 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Dear Leslie and Family, I am praying for strength for you all. I remember your dad coming into "The Big Bear" store and gas station, back in the name...He was ALWAYS just so nice... very pleasant man...He sure will be missed. God Bless xoxo

danielle sickles - Friend - June 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ Sorry to hear about Tub's passing he was a friend as well as an employer of mine. R.I.P.

Dennis Headley - Linesville, PA - Friend - June 24, 2016 at 12:00 AM