



Jack Hoffmaster

May 17, 1927 - February 12, 2014

Obituary of Jack Hoffmaster

Jack Hoffmaster, 86, of Leesburg, Florida was born May 17, 1927 in Washington, D.C. and died February 12, 2014. He served in the Army as an 82nd Airborne Ranger during the Korean War. He worked as an Exxon service station dealer in Silver Spring, Maryland for over 40 years. During that time he served as president of the Gasoline Dealers Association for three terms. He also belonged to the Lions Club for over 40 years. In his later years, Jack could be found on the golf course most days.

He was the devoted husband of Edith for 57 years, caring father of Steven (Carol), Lynne (John) and Susan as well as fun-loving grandfather of Andrew, Holly, Amelia, John, Gabriel and Ian. Also, he is survived by his youngest sister Barbara (Richard).

A memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Cornerstone Hospice, 2100 Oakley Seaver Road, Clermont, FL 34711 or your favorite charity.

I am so glad we had so much time together. Love, Edith. We were blessed to have you as our dad. Love, Steve, Lynne, and Sue.

Tribute Wall



“ *Jack Hoffmaster*

October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *I had the pleasure of playing golf at OP with Jack several times on Mens' Day over the past 3 years and despite the difficulties that come with advancing age he was always a gentleman and a pleasure to play with. When I return from Florida this year I will miss seeing him on the course. I knew that Jack had served with the Army but not that he had been a combat veteran Airborne Ranger with the 82nd. It was typical of him not to expound on such matters. I salute a fine gentleman.*

Jim Ritz - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *Jack was truly one of the good guys. We fished and played golf together many times. He will be so missed. God Bless you all. Love, Jane and Charlie Wagner*

Jane and Charlie Wagner - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *We will always remember Uncle Jack's kind smile, forgiving attitude towards hard times, and graciousness under pressure. He was a great role model and leader. May he smile, dance and play golf. Love, Deb and Brad Hoch*

Deborah & Brad Hoch - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

WG

“ My deepest sympathy to Jack's family. I enjoyed playing golf with him on Men's Day at Ocean Pines. He had a great sense of humor and real enthusiasm for golf.

Woody Gross - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Mrs. Hoffmaster, Steve, Lynne, and Sue, I was so sorry to hear of your loss. I remember your dad much like I remember mine. A strong, silent type who said more with his expressions than he did with words. My mom, Ellie and I will keep all of you in our prayers. My God bless you/

Judy Tarter - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JT

“ Mrs. Hoffmster, Steve, Lynn and Sue I am so sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Hoffmaster. Growing up, he reminded me of my dad. A strong, silent type who could convey more with their expressions than with words. My mom, Ellie and I will keep your family in our prayers.

Judy Tarter - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FK

“ I remember him as OPMGA president when i first joined the club. I will always remember that often times he, his wife, daughter and Gene, on Saturday mornings on the golf course , played in front of us. We have lost a great gentleman.

Fred Kauffman - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ I miss you pops, You were a very good father to me.

Sue Hoffmaster - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ So sorry to hear of Jack's passing. I was only able to meet him two times but knew he was a good man. Prayers for Jack and the family. Much love and support. Andrea (I am Cindy Hoffmaster's oldest daughter)

Andrea Lynn Agunat - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GE

“ HOW DOES ONE EXPRESS A LIFETIME OF MEMORIES, OF ALL THE HAPPINESS,FUN AND SORROW WE SHARED FOR 80 YEARS, EVEN THOUGH I WILL MISS YOU, I KNOW THAT YOU AND GENE WILL ENJOY THE REUNION, AND WE ALL HOPE TO SEE YOU LATER. GOD BLESS. AND THANK YOU FOR THIS LIFETIME OF MEMORIES.

GENE - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Miss you big guy. keep smiling.

Dave Hoch - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Dear Edith, it was such sad news hearing that Jack has passed away. Jack and Brother Gene were always my favorite guys to talk and joke with at all the Lions events we shared. I am so pleased that you and Jack were able to share so much time together on the Golf Course here in Ocean Pines and on the courses in Florida. The Ocean City Lions Club will certainly miss Jack.

Lion John Roeder - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JN

“ To Edith, Steve, Lynne & Susan- We have lost our best "buddy" in Florida. We will miss his infectious laugh, his jokes, his teasing and our good times together. Love, Jay & Daniese

Jay & Daniese - FL Next door neighbors - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JD

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Jay & Daniese - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TS

“ So sorry to hear of Jack's passing. We will miss his cheerfulness and tenacity on the golf course.

Tom Sandusky - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BO

“ Dear Edith & family..I was so sorry to hear about Jack's passing. The Ocean Pines family will miss him very much. I enjoyed seeing you all on the weekends when you came to play golf, this was the highliht of my day. Remember all the good times you had and that Jack is not suffering. Love and prayer to you. Barb O'Connor[worked behind counter in Pro Shop]

barb o'connor - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ We all knew that Jack was struggling the last few years, but had good feelings about his being able to continue play and enjoy the camaraderie with his fellow golf members at Ocean Pines. His exclamation "Beautiful shot" will be long remembered as will his contributions to each of our lives. I am honored to to have shared some of my time with him. Bob Long

Bob Long - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ To the family of Jack Hoffmaster I'll keep this brief as it is highly unlikely you have ever heard of me. I worked for Jack at the Sinclair station on Piney Branch Road, Silver Spring Maryland for over two years during 1957 to '59 and during that time greatly enjoyed working on vehicles and learning how things mechanical operated and by extension, could be repaired. In addition I was on loan to Paul at the marina in Woodbridge Virginia on an as needed basis. By the time I married and joined the Navy in 1960 I was no longer working for Jack, having suddenly quit over a problem of my own making. During my stay at the Great Lakes Navy Training Camp outside Chicago I wrote Jack a very nasty letter. Why I did so had more to do with my own personal problems then anything Jack had done and as time passed I came to understand and regret deeply my actions in this matter. When young, it was easy to push my actions under the table and ignore the injustice I placed upon him. As the years wore on this became ever more difficult to do, but personal embarrassment still blocked setting things right. I did stop by the Exxon station in Burn Mills Hills about 30 years ago to offer my apology to Jack in person but finding only Gene on duty and not wanting to make amends second-hand, I didn't broach the subject. Since that time and up to including through my retirement I have enjoyed a very busy life so it has been extremely difficult to travel from Clear Spring, here in western Maryland to see Jack. In fact for quite some time I thought my best chance to locate him was to contact Paul and inquire if Jack was OK and still in the area. During the Fall of last year I did a Google search and came up with some old TV footage of Jack, who was experiencing a problem with gas delivery and some links that seem to indicate he was still in the area. Finally this weekend I was able to put things aside enough to commit to driving down to the Washington area so I could apologize in person and let him know how much I have benefitted from and appreciated his positive influence in my late teens. Jack was a just and fair boss even to the point of letting me work on my own car when not on duty and later rebuilding a much modified flathead engine in the back room after the station closed for the night. So today was the day, after all these years of struggle with this

injustice, I would pin down his dwelling location and make the trip. That is when I discovered that I was too late and it is impossible for me to convey how deeply Jacks passing has effected me. I have waited too long. The only reason I am writing this to you now is so that I can add my name to the long list of those whom Jack touched in a good way. You have my profound sympathy for your loss but know you will celebrate having him with you for so many years.
Lloyd Storm

Lloyd Storm - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM