



Jonathan W. Sumner

April 4, 1949 - July 10, 2020

Jonathan W. Sumner, 71, of Leesburg, FL passed away on July 10, 2020 after a brief battle with cancer. Jon was born and raised in Hurricane, West Virginia. He was an alumni of Hurricane High School, WV State College and Marshall University. He earned a Masters' Degree in Education from Marshall. Prior to going to college he served in the United States Navy from 1967- 1971. He maintained lifelong friendships with his brothers in VA-36 and VA-15.

Upon returning home from Vietnam, he pursued his lifelong dream of being a teacher and a football coach. He spent 32 years teaching coaching at Putnam County Schools. The majority of that time was spent teaching drivers education at Winfield High School. He coached football, basketball, golf, tennis, cross country and track & field during his tenure. Many of the teams and athletes he coached achieved great success, including helping coach his alma mater to their first football playoff game victory in school history. Coach as his students would call him always had a smile on his face, a joke to tell and a song in his heart. He had a love of music that he would share with anyone that would listen. He often said he was blessed with more families than he deserved, the family he was born into, his family of friends that he grew up with, his Navy family, his teaching family, his coaching family, his golfing family, if you were his friend, you were his family.

Jon was preceded in death by his father Fred Sumner, his mother Mary

Virginia Sumner, his sister Dorothy (Sumner) Abbott, his brother Gary Sumner, his father-in-law Ray Stover, brother-in-law Billy Stover and his brother-in-law Phil Johnson.

He is survived by his wife of 43 years Debra Sumner, his son Adam Sumner, his daughter-in-law Christie Sumner, his sister Carol (Sumner) Billups, his brother Don Sumner, his sister Rosie (Sumner) Johnson, his sister-in-law Patsy (Stover) Rummell, his brother-in-law Roger Stover and his brother-in-law David Stover and numerous nieces and nephews.

There will be no service at this time. In lieu of flowers he requested that those that wish to honor him do so by making a donation to your local animal shelter or to a veteran's related charity of your choice.

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Jonathan W. Sumner*



May 11, 2022 at 07:13 PM



“ *You were my favorite teacher at Winfield High (class of 1985) I was happy after all these years to reconnect with you on facebook and learn so much more about you than I ever knew when I was a student. Heaven gained an angel with you, may you know rest in peace. Prayers for your wife and son.*

Sandy Showalter Johnson - July 17, 2020 at 11:05 PM



“ *Knew Jonathan in high school. Later connected when he graciously let me use his classroom at WHS. Vietnam Veteran. Great writer. Wonderful person. Prayers to family.*

Brenda Burke - July 15, 2020 at 09:10 PM



“ *Jon was a valued friend. We played a lot of golf together. He always had a smile on his face, especially when he would sink a ten foot putt to take a hole. I will miss my friend and he will always be in my prayers*

Larry Stone - July 14, 2020 at 10:46 AM

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“ I am praying for Debbie & Adam in this time of sorrow. Jon was my husband Earl's best friend in VA-36 in the Navy. Earl had a lot of great memories of things they did together. I met Jon at the Roadrunner reunion at Jon & Debbie's house in West VA. and they came to our house in Florida once and our house in Michigan once. I enjoyed being around Jon. He had a great sense of humor and what a Memory he had! He will be miss by all here on earth, but Jon & Earl can enjoy each other in their new Heavenly Home. RIP Jon!

Nancy Hughes - July 13, 2020 at 03:44 PM