



## Robert Wayne Hornbuckle

October 5, 2015

### Obituary of Robert Hornbuckle

Robert (Bob) W. Hornbuckle, 70, passed away unexpectedly in his home on Monday, October 5, 2015 in The Villages, FL. Bob was a devoted husband and an incredible father and grandfather to his four sons and 7 grandchildren. He was born in Abilene, TX, the son of the late Vella (Walker) and Hollis Raydeene Hornbuckle. Bob was a Sargent in the U.S Marine Corps who served his country proudly during the Vietnam War. Bob and his wife Betsy raised their family in Chalfont, PA where he was always very involved in the community. Whether it be coaching his son's baseball teams or building a playground for the local school Bob was always available to lend a helping hand. Bob retired as a lineman from Philadelphia Electric Company before moving to Clermont, FL. in 2004. Bob finally found his paradise when moving to his playground known as The Villages, FL in 2006 where he was an avid golfer, dog whisperer, and handyman to all of his neighbors who soon became friends. Bob has always been an inspiration to his four boys and a proud "PapaBear". His smile and southern hospitality will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

Bob is survived by his loving wife of 48 years Elizabeth (Healy) Hornbuckle. His four sons: Robert W. Hornbuckle Jr and his wife Colleen; their children

Alexis and Cole of Hoschton, GA. Bryan Hornbuckle of Sarasota, FL and his son Evan of Cape Coral, FL. Bradley Hornbuckle and his wife Lisa; their children Timothy, Nicholas, and Julie of Blandon, PA. Blaine Hornbuckle and his wife Helen; their daughter Hannah of Hastings, MN. Preceded in death by his brothers, Ray Hornbuckle and Jerry Hornbuckle.

A Memorial Service will be held at New Life Christian Church at 4707 E CR462, Wildwood, FL 34785 on Thursday, October 15, 2015 at 10:30 AM, followed by a small reception. A Graveside Service will be held at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL at 2:00 PM with military honors. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the New Life Christian Church "Building Fund".

Online condolences may be left at [www.beyersfuneralhome.com](http://www.beyersfuneralhome.com)

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Lady Lake, FL

# Tribute Wall

DC

“ I grew up with the Hornbuckles (The 6 B's) as my neighbors and friends. I wouldn't be surprised if I had spent more time in their home than my own. I thought of Mr. Hornbuckle as a second father to me. He was there to get my knee unstuck from the porch railing, he was there to patch me up when I fell out of a tree. He was there to knock some sense into me when I was being a stupid kid. He was there to help me become a man. I am forever indebted to him. I loved him.

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**David Carhart** - October 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DF

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers. We love you!

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**Doerr Family** - October 15, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ So sorry to all of you for your loss. Uncle Bob was a great man and he will be missed.

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**Christopher Sabourin** - October 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ Wayne (when I knew him), Jerry (his brother), and I were inseparable during our Milby High School years in Houston. We went our separate ways after that; Jerry to the Marines and I joined the USAF at 17 and stayed for 27 years. I'm very sorry I didn't get the chance to visit before he passed. Please accept my sincerest condolences and wishes for your grief to subside quickly. As long as I'm alive, he will always be alive in my memories.

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**Robert D.V. Richards Jr.** - October 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I loved this man to death. He was my neighbor for years along side of his entire family which was my second home. The thing I remember most was the time I ran from the cops in my Dodge Dart and he yelled at me next day cuase he saw me do it. I know I was wrong...as I walked away pissed that he yelled at me...you then began laughing and he said" wow....that car is fast..that cop had no idea where you went" Loved that man...sorry he's gone :(

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**Jim Carhart** - October 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Wish we could attend the funeral and military service. What a nice goodbye to a great guy and neighbor. He'll be missed! Our sympathies for the whole family.

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**Jerry and Mary Frisinger** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DE

“ After the tears have dried and the goodbyes have been said all we have to hold onto are happy memories this is what keeps him alive in our hearts and in our minds and they will continue live on through us. My heartfelt condolences go out to you and the family I will surely miss the presence of a truly kind and loving person

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**Debbie** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Betsy and family, we are very saddened to learn of Bob's passing. You were great neighbors and we always remember how when Steve was moving into my house, he hit the electric pole with the moving van and pulled the wires out of your house. Bob came running out hoping to catch the "offender", but said " oh it's Steve". Lucky for us he was a lineman. Our hearts go out to all of you, and we will pray your memories will comfort you during this very difficult time. Fondly, Steve and Kathy

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**Steve & Kathy Dickey** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Words cannot describe how much i loved my brother-in law Ray and his brothers. The Hornbuckle boys were always so much fun to be around. Always a good laugh and stories to tell. I am sure they are entertaining everyone up stairs. May your memories bring you comfort.

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**sherry clark** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Our deepest sympathies go out to your entire family. Maggie & Barry

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**Maggie & Barry** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

VB

“ Bob was a gentle , friendly neighbor that always had a smile and time to chat. His passing is one of sadness for our neighborhood and for his family. My sympathy to all his family and to Betsy. RIP, Bob.

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**Vicki Baker** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AZ

“ Dearest Betsy and family, So saddened with sorrow for you and your boys and their families. Everyone who met Bob was fortunate to know him. A great man and always the "Proud Marine!" You and I hit a grand jackpot with our guys. Always remember how much you love each other, for he will always be with you in your heart. Heartfelt and sincere sympathy and much love to you, Always, Anne

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**Anne Zakian** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ What a wonderful visit we had in August. ###GESTURE###

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**The Pool Family** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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**Kellie, Brian, Molly and Declan** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Robert Wayne Hornbuckle

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October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Dad, I will miss you more than words but I am so truly blessed to have had you as my father in law. My children are blessed to have had you as their PAPA BEAR. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for the boy that you raised who became my husband. He carries not only your face but your values, sense of humor, and love of life. Thank you for loving me as a daughter and dancing with me on random occasions. I'll wipe my tears and take comfort in knowing that you are smiling down on us all in heaven. With pride, respect and admiration, Darlin'

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**Colleen Hornbuckle** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MP

“ *There is no greater love then that of a precious Uncle. I will miss you so very much. Thank you for loving me a little extra since my Papa passwd away. I love you Uncle Yank!!*

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**Missy Pool** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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DO

“ *Our hearts ache for your loss. We will always remember Bob's Texas charm and ability to make all feel comfortable in his presence. Our love and prayers are with you all. Love, Dorothy, Donald and family*

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**Dorothy** - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM