



Mr. Tommy G. Shumaker

October 24, 1946 - May 9, 2015

Tommy G. Shumaker Jr., 68, of New Kent, VA, passed away May 9, 2015. Tommy started his career as an auto body repair man at the age of 15, and later was the founder and owner of Tommy's Body Shop and Quinton Motor Co. in New Kent for over 20 years. He took his knowledge to Richmond Technical Center and taught the trade for 8 years. He started his military career in the Army Reserves and later in life took a civilian job with the Army National Guard and finished his working career with a total of 41 years in the National Guard as a CW5 Command Chief Warrant Officer. He was preceded in death by his parents Tommy and Berta Shumaker. Tommy is survived by the love of his life for 48 years, Hilda; two sons, Todd (Michele) and Chris; three grandchildren, Austyn, Regan and Mason; one great-granddaughter, Makayla; two sisters, Judy Meadows (Garland) and Gladys Glass; three brothers, Donald (Beth), Benji (Betty), and Pat (Dottie).

The family will receive friends on Friday, May 15 from 5-8 pm at Providence United Methodist Church, 4001 New Kent Hwy, Quinton, VA 23141. A memorial service will be held at 2 pm on May 16 at the church, with an inurnment to follow in the church cemetery.

Memorials may be made to the Richmond ALS Assoc., 2800 N. Parham Rd. #208 Richmond, VA 23294 or to Providence United Methodist Church Building Fund in Tommy's memory.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 15. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Providence United Methodist Church
4001 New Kent Highway
Quinton, VA 23141
<http://www.pumcqva.org>

Service

MAY 16. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

CT

“ My condolences go out to th Shumaker family. I had the pleasure of working with Chief back when he was the supervisor of OMS #4. He was a one of the most influential people in my decision to become a Warrant Officer, thank you for believing in me. May God bless you and your family.

CW2 Taylor - May 14, 2015 at 12:46 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family during this most difficult time.

Kimberly Bartle - May 13, 2015 at 09:11 PM

KC

“ You all are in our thoughts and prayers. Teddy was one of the best. Much Love, Wayne & Kim (Shumaker) Clark

Kim Shumaker Clark - May 13, 2015 at 06:25 PM

BC

“ Hilda - I was so sorry to hear of Tommy's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and the family.
In Christian Love
Brenda Collins, PUMC



Brenda Collins - May 13, 2015 at 12:42 PM

DH

“ pat,
So sorry to here of your loss. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Dave Harris
Dominion North Anna

Dave Harris - May 13, 2015 at 12:18 PM

JV

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I had the pleasure
of knowing and working with Mr. Shumaker.
He was such a nice man. God bless you.

Joy Duarte
MATES, VaARNG



Joy Duarte, MATES, VaARNG - May 13, 2015 at 10:59 AM

JA

“ In memory of Mr. Tommy G. Shumaker (Ret.
VaARNG Command Chief Warrant Officer).



Juandrika Allen - May 13, 2015 at 08:55 AM

JA

“ *To the Shumaker Family:
Sorry for your loss. May God strengthen you and the love of Chief keep you.
I have some fond memories while working with Mr. Shumaker in the Chief of Staff Office. I'm reminded of him sharing how he made it to the top of the enlisted rank and then made it to the top as a warrant. That in itself speaks volumes of the man he was.
Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.
God bless you.
SSG Juandrika Allen
VaARNG*

Juandrika Allen - May 13, 2015 at 08:51 AM

CV

“ *I am so very sorry to hear about your loss. Mr Shumaker was one of the best in the Virginia Army National Guard!!! He was highly respected and he treated me such kindness - I will never forget.
Rest in peace, Sir!!*

Carlene Wynn, Health Svcs Branch, VaARNG - May 13, 2015 at 08:18 AM

BC

“ *Chester and I are so saddened to hear of Tommy's passing. We had just talked about him over the weekend remembering some fun times we shared with him in Blackstone. We loved his famous fish fries and how it was his joy to bring his military buddies together to enjoy his hospitality. I know Chester will miss his emails. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this time. His friends share your sorrow and will surely miss Tommy too.*

*Chester (VANG, Ret) and Brenda Carter
Blackstone*

Brenda Ryan Carter - May 13, 2015 at 07:18 AM

SJ

“ I will never forget being sent (as a PFC) to work with Chief during an AT many years ago as punishment. Myself and two others were sent to assist Chief set the Connolly Competition. That was no punishment. I have NEVER in my 20 years been treated with more respect! Best time I ever had in my career!!! He was an awesome man and mentor! RIP "Kick back on the Block" Sir!!!



Sorry for your loss and God Bless you...

SFC Rhonda Johnson - May 13, 2015 at 07:17 AM

BP

“ I am so sorry for your loss. You and your family are lifted up in prayer.

Becky Pillow - May 12, 2015 at 07:25 PM

LS

“ Hilda: I am so sorry for your loss. May God put his arms around you and comfort you.

Linda Bryant Seamans - May 12, 2015 at 07:23 PM

AL

“ Tommy was a good friend. When Chuck, Jennifer and I moved here from New jersey away from our families, Tom and Hilda became our family. We sat at their table for Thanksgiving, Christmas and many birthday parties for Chris. Tommy was good - a good husband, father and godfather, and, a good friend who will be very much missed.

- Angie and Chuck Lanning

Angie Lanning - May 12, 2015 at 06:41 PM

BA

“ *Hilda, we are so sorry about Tommy. May God put his loving arms around you and your family at this time of sorrow. Just let him help you and your family through this time of loss. Love you. Judi and Bobby*

Bobby & Judi Allen - May 12, 2015 at 05:08 PM

BA

“ *Bobby & Judi Allen lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tommy G. Shumaker*



Bobby & Judi Allen - May 12, 2015 at 04:27 PM

ML

“ *Hilda, I am so sorry for your loss.. May God bless you and comfort you at this time.*

MARY ALICE LIVELY - May 12, 2015 at 03:45 PM

JS

“ *Mrs. Shumaker and family. I am really saddened to hear of your loss. As a contractor with the Virginia Army National Guard I got to work for Chief frequently. I can say without question that he was one of a kind, and will surely be missed and never forgotten.*

Thank you all for sharing him with us. We are all better off for knowing him.

*Respectfully,
Jim Stizza
Valley Foods*

Or as I was often called.... a yankee.

Jim Stizza - May 12, 2015 at 02:35 PM

SF

“ *Shelton&Roberta Foster lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tommy G. Shumaker*



Shelton&Roberta Foster - May 12, 2015 at 11:45 AM

AL

“ *Shirley and I will miss our Sunday morning hugs from Tommy he always brighten the room when he would come in all smiling. He had a lot of heart, and a charming maner. Will him very much. Love you Hilda. Alice Louis and Shirley Ragland*

Alice Louis - May 12, 2015 at 11:35 AM

FR

“ I have never known a soldier more dedicated to his family, to the men and women of the Virginia National Guard or to the United States of America. I do not know anyone in the guard who would ever forget having known Chief Shoemaker! From one old soldier to another rest at ease Chief.

Frank Adams (VaARNG Ret) - May 12, 2015 at 09:22 AM

IC

“ Hilda, I am so sorry for your loss. You were blessed with many good years together and that has a lot of memories that will light up a dark day. My sympathy to your family. I know he will be greatly missed. My you find peace in knowing so many care and are here for you and your family. Irene Crump

Irene Crump - May 12, 2015 at 08:28 AM

MT

“ Mary Thompson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tommy G. Shumaker



Mary Thompson - May 12, 2015 at 07:58 AM

DM

“ Diane A. Moss lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tommy G. Shumaker



Diane A. Moss - May 11, 2015 at 10:38 PM

DM

“ *Hilda, I am so sorry to hear of Tommy 's passing. You and the family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Diane A. Moss - May 11, 2015 at 10:36 PM

LS

“ *Loretta Seay lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tommy G. Shumaker*



Loretta Seay - May 11, 2015 at 09:18 PM

LS

“ *Buttons and I are so sorry to here of Tommy's passing! Thoughts and prayers are with your family.*

Loretta Seay - May 11, 2015 at 09:16 PM

RM

“ *Richard And Peggy Moseley lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tommy G. Shumaker*



Richard and Peggy Moseley - May 11, 2015 at 08:24 PM

RM

Sending lots of love and prayers for all of Tommy's family at this time. What a great loss for so many. Each of you are in our thoughts and prayers.

Richard and Peggy Moseley - May 11, 2015 at 08:26 PM

JS

“ *Hilda, and all the family. You are each in my prayers and thoughts, I graduated with you, Hilda and Tommy almost 50 years ago from High School. You were both good people then and have been every since. May God Bless each of you. Joanne Steger Songer*



Joanne Steger Songer - May 11, 2015 at 07:22 PM

JS

“ *Joanne Steger Songer lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tommy G. Shumaker*



Joanne Steger Songer - May 11, 2015 at 07:18 PM

Sherry Bennett

“ *Sherry Bennett lit a candle in memory of Mr. Tommy G. Shumaker*



Sherry Bennett - May 11, 2015 at 05:24 PM

Sherry Bennett

“ *One of the greatest men, fathers and friends we know and have ever met. We love you and will always love you. God bless you Shumaker family. The Bennetts are here for you whenever you need us or if you do need anything. Love you all with God's greatest love and healing.... Brian, Sherry, Jason, Cadee*

Sherry Bennett - May 11, 2015 at 05:23 PM

MT

So sorry to hear of the passing of Tommy. I remember all the good times we shared. Our prayers are with you and the family. Charles & Mary Ellen

Mary Thompson - May 12, 2015 at 08:03 AM

JT

Praying for God's peace and comfort...Jim Taylor

Jim Taylor - May 12, 2015 at 09:27 AM

TC

To the Shumaker Family, my heart goes out to you. SSG Tiffany Clary.- JFHQ

Tiffany Clary - May 13, 2015 at 08:24 AM

LC

Great person. It was a pleasure to work with him in the Guard. He will be missed. May God be with the family. Loran Cecil

Loran T Cecil - May 15, 2015 at 03:42 PM