



John Thomas ("Jack") Shipley, Jr.

October 31, 1927 - February 6, 2021

John Thomas ("Jack") Shipley, Jr., born October 31, 1927 in Knoxville, Tennessee, passed away last Saturday, February 6, 2021 at age 93. He was predeceased by his wife, Doreen Shipley, and grandson Matthew Shipley. Jack, a seventh-generation East Tennessean, served in the US Navy aboard the USS Franklin D. Roosevelt from 1945 to 1948 as a fireman first class before returning to Tennessee to marry Doreen Jane Corbitt, working for many years as a furniture salesman and advancing to store manager at Fowler Brothers Furniture. Jack attended St. James Episcopal Church in Knoxville and enjoyed spending his free time playing golf with his sons and his coworkers. He made his family laugh with his jokes, sayings, and made-up songs (i.e. "Head for the roundhouse, Mother, they can't corner you there"). Jack's laughter will be remembered by the family who survive him: sons Thomas "Tom" and Patrick, daughters-in-law Kim and Jewel, grandchildren Alex, Kelsie, Kaylin, and Travis, brother Bud Shipley, niece Lou Shipley, brother-in-law Jim Corbitt, and his beloved dog Dude. The family will receive friends from 6-7:00 pm Tuesday, February 9, 2021 at Rose Mortuary Broadway Chapel. Family and friends will meet at 11:45 am Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at Greenwood Cemetery for a 12:00 pm graveside service with Rev. John Wiggers officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in his name to St. Jude's Children's Hospital. Online condolences may be extended at <http://www.rosemortuary.com>.

Events

FEB **Graveside Service** 12:00PM
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Greenwood Cemetery
3500 Tazewell Pike, Knoxville, TN, US, 37918

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“ Jack was a very dear friend and neighbor ever since I was 9 years old. He had a grumpy exterior but was a teddy bear on the inside. Spending a lot of time with him in the past months only made me love him more. He will be greatly missed!

Mary Shofner - February 07 at 12:46 PM



“ I very fondly remember Jack from summers and Christmas vacations working at Fowler's West End during the late 60's. If he had a good joke or story to tell you could always sense it from the glint in his eye. Lunchtime was always entertaining and brief. Jack and my father could each devour a Whopper and a large order of fries in under 5 minutes. I'm sorry I never ran into Jack after I moved back to Knoxville in 1982. He was a wonderful gentleman. Tom Morgan

Tom Morgan - February 07 at 09:34 AM