



Alfred Lee Shumate

October 17, 1928 - August 21, 2019

Alfred (Al) Shumate went home to be with his Savior and Lord on August 21, 2019. Born October 17, 1928 in Beckley, West Virginia to the late Alfred Lee Sr. and Isabelle (Cheetham) Shumate, he grew up in his beloved home town of Lillybrook, WV, before moving to California, Ohio, Florida, and back to Ohio, where Gahanna was home at the time of his death. He is survived by daughters Debbie (Jim) Williamson and Dodi Shumate; grandchildren Justin (Rasika) Williamson, Jonathan (Ashley) Williamson, Chelsea Babbert, and Whitney (Kipp) Thompson; great-grandchildren, Eli Williamson, Ani Williamson, Wyatt Williamson, Kimberly Thompson, and Bradyn Thompson; as well as many special nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by Dallas, his loving wife of 61 years; and siblings Buren Shumate, Berlin Shumate, William Shumate, Nellie Davis, Margaret Brazeal, Martha Hollowell, Francis Whitt, and Violet Maxey. Al was a loving, devoted husband, a wonderful father, Papa, and Great-Papa, as well as a faithful friend. A man of great faith and trust in Jesus Christ, he walked by faith, not by sight. Kind, generous, easy-going, Al had a great sense of humor, a quick wit, and was well-respected by everyone he met. He loved spending time with family and friends, welcoming the opportunity to lend a helping hand to anyone in need; he had a true servant's heart. Al proudly served in the US Army during the Korean War, was a machinist for 21 years at TRW in Cleveland, where he worked on jet propulsion projects for NASA, and was a successful restaurateur owning and operating LaMay Restaurant in Shadeville, Shade Restaurant in Canal Winchester, and catered golf outings at Foxfire Golf Club. He enjoyed gardening, golfing (even hitting a hole-in-one at Pine Hill Golf Course!), southern gospel music, and attending the National Quartet Convention many times. He was twice a Past Master of Lockbourne Lodge #232, was a past President of Tri-County Kiwanis Club, and enjoyed serving with Habitat for Humanity. A former member of RUMC, he enjoyed singing in the church choir. Al will be greatly missed but his light will continue to shine as a testimony to a life of service and sacrifice. Visitation will be Monday, August 26, 2019 from 4-7PM at SCHOEDINGER NORTHEAST, 1051 E. Johnstown Rd., Gahanna. A private family inurnment is planned at Franklin Hills Memory Gardens in Lithopolis. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.

Events

AUG **Visitation** 04:00PM - 07:00PM

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Schoedinger Northeast Chapel

1051 East Johnstown Road, Gahanna, OH, US, 43230

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Schoedinger Funeral Service - August 25, 2019 at 04:21 PM



“ I love you Al and am going to miss you. It tears me up that I didn't get to say my goodbye to you. Since I have been in here at the laurels I always enjoyed joking around with you and talking to you. You're very missed my friend. I got to know you very well and your family. Its a sad day, I'll keep working hard on my schooling and my heart goes out to you and your family.

Andrew Aycock

Andrew Aycock - August 26, 2019 at 08:21 PM



“ Oh my this was a beautiful video. Aunt Bell and Uncle were always my favorite! I will miss them. Brenda Hudnall

Brenda J Hudnall - September 02, 2019 at 04:46 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Alfred Lee Shumate.



August 26, 2019 at 07:36 AM