



## Thomas "Tom" James Summers, Sr.

February 12, 1925 - May 6, 2018

Thomas James Summers Sr., 93, of Fairmont passed away on Sunday, May 6, 2018, at Fairmont Regional Medical Center; he was born on February 12, 1925 in Catawba, the son of the late Albert "Hop" Summers and Helen Summers.

He is survived by his wife, Lois May Summers, of Fairmont; his sons and their spouses, Thomas James Summers Jr. and wife Patricia Summers of Baxter, and Harry Albert Summers and wife Lynn Summers of Mannington; and daughters and their spouses, Anna Louise Montalvo of South Carolina, Debra Kay Reese and husband James Reese of Rivesville, and Dottie Lou Sausen and husband Richard Sausen of Morgantown.

He is also survived by grandchildren Lonny and Darlene Summers, Tammy and Tim Ortung, Lora Summers, James Thomas and Lisa Summers, Maria and Doug Hilderbrand, Mike and Chayo Montalvo, Bridgette and Joe Vessecchia, Kristy Snyder and Beth Smith, Misti and Brian Wilt, Michael and Natalie Summers, Alicia Montalvo, Johnny and Rose Snyder, Marie and Andy Bostaph, Kristina and Bruce Cheslock, and Rebecca Sausen; a sister, Helen "Toy" Neel and husband Les of Ohio; brother-in-law Ralph Culp of Morgantown; several great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren, as well as many neices and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Thomas was preceded in death by his first wife, Helen Louise Summers.

He was also preceded in death by a son-in-law, Anthony "Tony" Montalvo; grandson Kevin Summers; granddaughter Bridget Snyder; great-grandson Patrick Clawson; brothers Albert Summers and wife Maxine and Ray Summers and wife Alma "Tootie"; sisters Margaret Culp, Etta Mae Carr, and Naomi Davis.

He was a beloved Camp Ranger at Camp Mountaineer for the Mountaineer Area Council, Boy Scouts of America for 20 years.

Thomas proudly served his country in the US Navy during World War II. He was chosen to escort the USS West Virginia from Pearl Harbor to Washington State.

He will always be remembered by his friends and family for the times they sat around together, listening to him sing and play his guitar.

Viewing will be held at Carpenter and Ford Funeral Home, 209 Merchant Street in Fairmont on Thursday from 1pm to 8pm and Friday from 10am to 11am; the funeral

service will be held at the funeral home on Friday at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Gary Steele officiating. Interment will follow at Catawba Cemetery, with full military rights being conducted by the Marion County Veteran's Council Honor Guard.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Mountaineer Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, 1831 Speedway Ave., Fairmont, WV 26554.

# Comments

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“ 5/9/2018 We were truly saddened to learn that Tom had passed away. We will certainly miss seeing him at Boy Scout and OA events. He has truly "gone home". "Be not afraid I go before you always. Come, follow me, and I will give you rest." Our love, thoughts, prayers and deepest sympathies are with you in the days and weeks ahead -Susan and Larry Etchison Kingwood, West Virginia Mark Etchison Christopher Etchison

**Susan Etchison** - June 01, 2018 at 02:08 PM

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“ Dottie and Rick, so sorry for your loss, your dad taught me a lot that wasn't in the scout handbook, things that have lasted me a lifetime. His life and memories will always be special to me, my thoughts and prayers, John

**John Layman** - June 01, 2018 at 02:08 PM

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“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Praying for you all for comfort and good memories. Thinking of you, Liz

**Liz Bureau** - June 01, 2018 at 02:08 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this most difficult time. Marion County Senior Citizens.

**Vicki Nichols** - June 01, 2018 at 02:08 PM

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“ I had the privilege of being Tom's CNA at Pierpont. He was such a sweet and caring man. I remember walking into his room and he was listening to country music and the song 'Country Boys Can Survive' was on and I started singing and he said 'You sing it pretty girl, come up to the dining room with us and you can sing in our band.' He always knew how to make someone smile, always polite, and I will miss him so much.

**Courtney Hurst** - June 01, 2018 at 02:08 PM

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“ Lois and Summers family, so sorry to hear of the loss of Mr. Summers I know he will be missed by all. I always liked talking to Mr. Summers. I remember how much he enjoyed the dinners at EUA where he and Lois lived. And the many times he entertained the tenants with his musical talent. He was so proud of his large family he so much enjoyed his family reunions. My deepest condolences to his family. Ms. Susan Hallums, former manager at Eastview Unity Apt.

Susan Hallums - June 01, 2018 at 02:08 PM

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“ I just found out that Tom passed away and am so sorry I didn't get to pay my respects. Tom was such a sweet man . My brother Larry and I always delivered the newspaper to them when he lived at Baxter. I always remember him in his scout uniform. Debbie, Dottie and the rest of the family, I am so sorry for your loss. So hard to lose a parent. I will keep you all in my prayers. Candy Owens Weese

Candy Weese - June 01, 2018 at 02:08 PM

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“ May the love of God surround you and your family during this difficult time, May you come to know that the love of God is with you always, May your memories of Thomas James Summers, Sr., give you peace, comfort and strengthRest now in the arms of our Lord your mission on earth is complete. I thank you for your service to our Country and my Freedom. You will not be forgotten.. My thoughtsand prayers to the family of .US Navy Veteran, Thomas James Summers, Sr., is A True American Hero God Bless†† Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. John 15:13 †

May 09, 2018 at 12:00 AM