



Thomas Campbell "Tom" Fite

March 22, 1921 - January 16, 2015

Thomas Campbell "Tom" Fite, 93, of Oak Park Retirement Community, formerly of Cleveland passed away Friday, January 16, 2015 at his home.

Born March 22, 1921 in Mecklenburg County, he was the son of the late Thomas Egbert Fite and Ada Campbell Fite.

Mr. Fite was educated in the Paw Creek schools and graduated from Lees McRae College, Banner Elk and NC State University, Raleigh. He was a veteran of the US Navy during World War II as a Naval Aviator and served as an Lt. JG in the US Naval Reserve.

He was a project manager in the construction industry before retiring.

Mr. Fite was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Mooresville, and the Cleveland Lions Club.

Those left to cherish his memory are his brother, Robert Edward "Ned" Fite and wife Belle of Raleigh; his best friend, Terry M. Moore of Cleveland and several nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 11:30 AM to 12:30 PM - Tuesday at the Summersett Funeral Home.

A graveside service will be conducted 1 PM Tuesday (Jan. 20) at the Salisbury VA National Cemetery with the Rev. Dave Rockness, minister of the First Presbyterian Church of Mooresville, officiating.

Memorials may be made to the First Presbyterian Church of Mooresville, 249 West McLelland Avenue, Mooresville, NC 28115

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Summersett Funeral Home
1315 W. Innes St.
Salisbury, NC 28144
(704) 633-2111
<https://www.summersettfuneralhome.com>

Tribute Wall

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“ *Buzz, Tina and Steve Mims purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Thomas Campbell "Tom" Fite.*



Buzz, Tina and Steve Mims - January 19, 2015 at 01:44 PM

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“ *Tom Fite was my uncle. As far back as I can remember I always called him "Uncle Tump." I really don't know how that nickname got started, but he was a one-in-a-million person who I was privileged to know. I didn't see him often, but when he visited our home it was always one of the best days of the year for me. He was just so relaxed and fun, and funny too. We laughed together a lot - mostly at ourselves. He had a way of taking a stressful situation and helping me to see the humor in it. Thank you Uncle Tump. I love you and I'm sure that you are visiting with your sisters Alice and Muriel now. Tell them I said hi.*

*Jude Woodman
New Orleans, LA*

Jude Woodman - January 19, 2015 at 12:43 PM



“ *Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Thomas Campbell "Tom" Fite.*



January 18, 2015 at 10:00 AM

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“ Uncle Tump is what we called him, the New Orleans nieces Emily, Judy and Barbara Clark. He was special, with a generosity of spirit that was surpassed only by his superb sense of humor and a laugh as big as he was. I will never, ever, forget sitting in the basement of Ned and Belle's house when all four Fite siblings went through the keepsakes from the Blacksnake and decided who would get what: my mother Alice, Aunt Muriel, Uncle Ned (Robert) and Uncle Tump. I think Uncle Tump got the insulator. We got the conch shell. Nobody wanted the bird. You can imagine the laughter when Tump roared, "I don't want the bird!"

Emily Clark - January 18, 2015 at 09:48 AM

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“ Mr. Tom, Mrs. Dot and I spent many evenings sitting just outside their garage under the pecan tree discussing the day's events. He was the kindest man I have ever known. He was very smart and always a perfect gentleman. May God bless all those who loved him and will miss him.

Cathy ROBBINS - January 17, 2015 at 08:05 PM