



Frank Preston Odom

May 13, 1929 - December 2, 2020

Frank P. Odom, passed away Wednesday, December 2, 2020. He was born on May 13, 1929 in Turin, Georgia. He was the oldest of eight children born to Loyd and Florence Odom. He graduated from Starr High in 1947. After graduation, he farmed with his family and worked at Hollberg's in Senoia, GA.

In 1950 he joined the U.S. Air Force. He did his training at Hamilton Air Force Base in California. He was stationed at Goose Bay, Labrador most of his time in the Air Force. He was a staff sergeant and inventory control specialist. He was honorably discharged from the Air Force in 1954.

When Frank returned to home he initially worked on the family farm. He later attended Georgia Tech before embarking on a business career. He worked at B.F. Goodrich in Atlanta, GA and Birmingham, Alabama. This experience was extremely helpful when he decided to go into business for himself. Frank along with his brother William Odom and brother-in-law Arthur W. Hudson founded Hudson & Odom Tire Co. in Kansas City, MO. They opened the doors in 1962. Frank was Vice President and sales manager for them and traveled all over the U.S. In the early 1970's, they opened a second retread location in Fullerton, CA. They later opened a rubber plant (Pacific Rubber) in Irvine, CA. Hudson & Odom was the largest retreader of earth mover tires that made their own rubber in the United States. They sold Hudson & Odom in 1980 and after consulting for the new owners, Frank retired in 1981.

While Frank was starting his business career, another wonderful thing was happening. In early 1960 he was introduced to Sherry Snow. A few months later Frank proposed to Sherry at The Varsity in Atlanta. They were married on June 25, 1960 and spent 60 years together.

During his retirement Frank had many hobbies that he loved and enjoyed. He was always fascinated with trains and made over 70 train trips, many with family and friends. One of his fondest memories was when he was invited to ride with the engineer at the helm as

the train traveled over 100 miles per hour. He was an avid golfer and loved sailing. He owned several sail boats and power boats. Much of Frank's time on the water was spent in Florida. Frank traveled to 49 states and went out of the country on numerous occasions. Frank was the life of any gathering and loved telling jokes. In a recent interview, after all of his travels and accomplishments, Frank stated "There is no place like Turin."

He was preceded in death by his parents Loyd and Florence Odom, brother Harry Odom (Katie), sister Jeannette Odom Harris (Judson), brother-in-law Arthur Weston Hudson, sisters in law Shirley Crawford Odom and Becky Burnette Odom.

Frank is survived by his wife Sherry Odom, brothers William Odom, Dan Odom and Roy Odom (Trouba), sisters Josephine Odom Hudson and Nancy Odom Christopher (Billy) and many nieces and nephews and great nieces and great nephews.

A graveside service will be held at 11:00 am on Saturday, December 5, 2020 at Turin Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Turin Baptist Church P.O. Box 99 Turin, GA 30289.

Condolences may be expressed at <http://www.mckoon.com>.

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Cemetery

Turin Memorial Garden

20 Longstreet Avenue

Turin, GA, 30289

Events

DEC **Service** 11:00AM

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Graveside Turin Memorial Garden

20 Long Street, Turin, GA, US, 30289

Comments



“ An external video has been added.



McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory - December 05, 2020 at 09:01 AM



“ Our deepest condolences to the family of Frank Odom. Frank and brother-in-law Art Hudson were true friends and coworkers of my father Spike. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. Bill McMillan

Billy L McMillan - May 05 at 12:12 PM



“ Brightmoor Hospice extends its sincerest condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Frank Odom. Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time. Mr. Odom, we are grateful to you for your service to our country.



Shannon Moore - December 29, 2020 at 10:51 AM



“ Nancy, thinking of you and your siblings, and Sherry at this time. What a wonderful life he had. I have fond memories of him.
Jeanette Williams Storey

Jeanette W Storey - December 04, 2020 at 06:42 PM



“ My family and I express our condolences for your loss. You are in our thoughts and prayers. We will always remember the Odoms for the kindness shown to our father, Richard Smith. May the Lord be with all of you each step of the way.

Joan Smith Hanson - December 03, 2020 at 08:59 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Frank Preston Odom.



December 03, 2020 at 02:22 PM