



Robert E. Hemphill

May 29, 1930 - June 28, 2011

Robert E. Hemphill (05/29/1930-06/28/2011) age 81 of Orlando, FL passed away in his home June 28, 2011. Robert is preceded in death by parents Robert and Oda Hemphill and Brothers Ray and Bill Hemphill. He is survived by his wife Patricia C. Hemphill, his three daughters and their spouses Patricia and Dave Jones, Debbie and Steve Smith, Janet and Hubert Tobitt, his eight grandchildren and their spouses Steven and Tabitha Jones, Michael and Troy Jones, Johnnie and Jennifer Jones, Shawn and Lindsay Bultema, Melissa Bultema, Brody and Brittany McKenna, Kerry McKenna and Paul Wootton, and Jonathan Tobitt, and his 8 great grandchildren Steven Genung and Patrick Jones, Kira and Layla McKenna, Adelaide Bultema, Caleb Jones, Katelyn and Chase Jones, Vanessa Jones and Kyleigh Wootton. Robert Hemphill served active in the United States Marine Corps from March 1948 to July 1969. During his service he was in multiple combat missions in Korea and Vietnam and achieved the rank of E-8 Master Sergeant. He received the Navy Marine Corps medal for heroic actions in Miami, FL when he rescued a downed pilot. He received many medals, accommodations from the commandant of the Marine Corps to several presidents. He was the first chief Marine Corps. Instructor, At NAS Millington in Memphis, TN, now moved to NAS Pensacola, FL. After the Marine corps he went to work for the Orange county sheriffs Department for 6 years and felt the need to move on to pursuing driving a truck over the road, which led to opening up his trucking company, Still in business, Ranger transportation Orlando. He was a Deacon

at Great Oaks Baptist church and loved the lord with a passion that you have never witnessed. Robert touched the lives of many, never met a stranger and would take anyone, regardless of age or race, for a meal or help pay there power bill. Everyone he came in contact with was touched with inspiration and always left with a smile. Robert always had the right advice and never looked down on those that were in the wrong. Robert E. Hemphill is a true hero and will be missed with his legacy living on forever thru his family the Marine Corps. and the lives he touched. The world has lost a true hero and inspiration. The service will be held at Union Park Christian Church at 2119 Dean Road, Orlando, Fl 32817 at 3:00 PM, Saturday, July 2,2011. Arrangements are entrusted to DeGusipe Funeral Home & Crematory 9001 N. Orlando Avenue, Maitland, Florida 32751, 407-695-CARE (2273). Please visit www.degusipefuneralhome.com to leave a special condolence.

Tribute Wall



“ *Semper Fi Marine. Guard those streets in Heaven well.##imported-begin##A Chief FMF Corpsman##imported-end##*

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“ *Special sympathy for Bob's entire family
He was a coworker (I was in dispatch)and
he was always polite and kind to all of us.
May God bless y'all at this sad time.##imported-begin##Bev
Canon##imported-end##*

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“ *We are sorry to hear of your loss and you are in our thoughts and
prayers. If you need anything all you have to do is ask.*

The Gann Family##imported-begin##Larry##imported-end##

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“ Bob was always nice to this little blonde haired kid that grew up and often played with his grandsons. He never treated me like a "kid" and I appreciated that.

He was a heck of a bowler and gave my parents a run for their money on bowling nights. He had a great sense of humor.

He will be greatly missed but find comfort knowing that he's with the Lord and the Angels above.##imported-begin##Angela Kudlets (Angel Webber)##imported-end##

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“ Now that I' am gone release me,let me go! I have so many things to see and do,you mustn't tie yourself to me with tears be happy that we had so many years. I gave you my love,you can only guess how much gave me in happiness.I thank you for the love each have shown,but now it's time to travel alone.To grieve a while for me,if you must,then let your grief be comforted by trust,it's only for while that we must part. So keep the memories within your heart.I won't be far away for life goes on. So,if you need me call and I will come. Though you can't see or touch me, I will be near and if you listen with your heart you'll hear.All my love around you soft and dear and then when you must come this way alone I'll greet you with a smile and say WELCOME HOME##imported-begin##Robert Goings OCSO RETIRED##imported-end##

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“ Dad where do I begin..the man that anyone would love to call dad and did call dad because our home was always filled with joy and love. You were the best the greastest dad ever. You could always put a smile on anyone's face and warm a heart. I miss you sooo much I am not sure at this moment how to put one foot in front of the other but I know you have left a path for us to know the way if we lean on each other so please know we will, I hear your voice every time I shut my eyes...I know you are looking down on us watching over us keeping us safe and I find confort knowing we will meet again oneday!!! I love you dad...I love dad..I miss you..so much...XXXOOO###imported-begin##Debbie Smith###imported-end##

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“ Bob and I were very close in the 70s. When I was critically injured in a freak accident, he was the first one there, and stayed with me in the hospital until forced to leave. I shall always remember him with fondness and respect. He was my friend.

Semper Fi, Marine.

Fred Crawford###imported-begin##Fred Crawford###imported-end##

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“ Dad, I miss you so greatly. Everytime I close my eyes I see can see you laughing. You were the most awsome Dad a girl could ever wish to have. Love Trish###imported-begin##Trish Jones###imported-end##

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“ Sincerest sympathy for your lost. Remember Bob from our years together at New River. May God bless and keep him.##imported-begin##Maurice & Sylvia Ray##imported-end##

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“ My world will never spin the same way it did before. All the laughs, guidance, wisdom and love you gave me to the leadership and help you provided me when I was in war. The wishes you made that led me to join the Marine Corps. to the words you spoke at Parris Island on the parade deck when I graduated," you are my grandson but now you are my brother. No one can claim it, no one can wear it, because we earned it congratulations Marine, and if you have to fight win you are part of a family that has conquered the peaks of Japan to now the deserts of Iraq. Semper Fi. I love you Grandpa more than you will ever know. You are the best man I ever knew. Now it's my turn Semper Fi to You and leave me a space in that platoon you have guarding the streets of heaven. Cpl. S. Bultema##imported-begin##Shawn Bultema##imported-end##

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“ Our hearts are filled with sorrow for the loss of your of your loved one. God's strength will help see you through and all our love will be with you.##imported-begin##Jay & Ann Brymer##imported-end##

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“ I miss you with every breath i take. The world lost a great man and you touched the lives of everyone you met. You told me that if you touched the lives of your grandchildren the way that your grandfather did you then you would leave this life a happy man. Well dad you must be rejoicing with the angles. You were loved by so many people and I was so blessed to call you dad. I miss your smile but I will carry it forever in my heart. I feel your arms around me. We will be together again some day. I love you!!!!!!###imported-begin##Janet Tobitt##imported-end##

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“ My deepest sympathies to the entire Hemphill family. I worked with Bob most of the time he was there. I had the privilege of knowing him and enjoying the fellowship. Hard to tell he was an old, crusty Marine! Good people.

All God's blessings to your family. A salute to you Robert as you look down on us below!

Jay

CMSGT, USAF, Retired##imported-begin##Jay Leffert##imported-end##

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