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May the spirit of
Christmas bring
you strength and
joy. Thank you for your service.



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Circle Tour: 1942-1945 1968 1969 Dues amount enclosed: _____
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-AGE 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 etc.
-DUES \$ 200 195 185 175 170 160 150 145 135 125 115 110 100 90 80 70 70 70 etc.

GOOD TIMES
SMALL FEE

October

Whitney C.	Blauvelt
Bradford A.	Elg
Robert A.	Graziano
Frederick	Greb, Jr.
Jeffery A.	Jasukonis
William T.	Maurer
Robert R.	Teague
Reynold A.	Sefton, Jr.
William E.	Manley
Terrance L.	Baker
Fred J.	Carlson
Richard A.	Oppelt
James W.	Caraway
Lawrence R.	Jackson
Robert P.	Hamm
Raymond C.	Ballard
James W.	Soles
Brian J.	Copeland
Michael A.	Bruno
Elmer G.	Thuringer
Michael D.	Westberg
William	Dewispelaere
Robert J.	Boulet
Thomas J.	Welch
Stanley A.	Walker

Michael E.	Krug
W. Patrick	Trevas
Eric V.	Dost
Kenneth J.	Vogel
Roger A.	Le Blanc

November

Dale M.	Berg
Keith	Harley
Neil L.	Jensen
Lawrence M.	Jessup
Orin D.	Nelon
Ralph J.	Storti
Roney J.	Steele
Barry L.	Wren
Michael Y.	Sandborn
Clarence E.	Harris, Jr.
Paul	Mazeika
Francis P.	Pappas
Donald E.	Butler
David L.	White
Nelson L.	Stants
William E.	Johnson
Donald J.	Mac Kinnon
John A.	Haynie
Robert E.	Barnhart

Gilbert S.	Harrington
H. Mike	Light
Leonard W.	Pettitt, Jr.
Gary L.	Eberle
Phillip D.	Bottenfield
W. Glen	Martin
John J.	Koza
Bruce R.	Tremmel
Stephen C.	Wilson
Marvin	Holmgren

December

Donald G.	Fernandez
Richard H.	Gallagher
Gerald L.	Hayward
Clifford W.	Keener
William G.	Rydalch
Cpt. Bruce L.	Runberg, Ret'd
Charles P.	Schmainda
Cary L.	Snow
Robert D.	Tansley
Clifford L.	Thorburn
Howard R.	Vanscoy
William P.	Kalbach
Orval F.	Hoenike
David S.	Ramirez

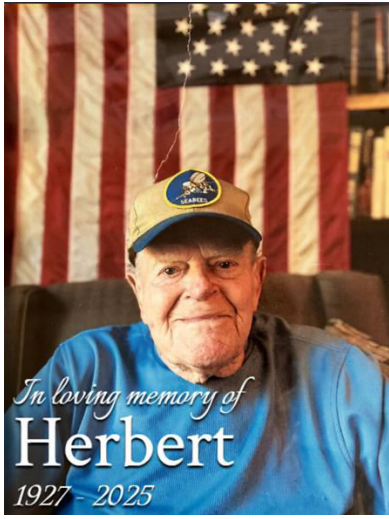
Stephen W.	Garrett
Lester W.	Garden
Ronald J.	Bush, Sr.
Frederick O.	Pais
Charles R.	Markley
Larry D.	Whitely
Carmine M.	Serapiglia
Joseph G.	Bilak
Wayne G.	Schwetje
Wilson G.	Combs
Robert W.	Kinsman
Willis L.	Walker



Jim and Wendy Donohue are firming up our next reunion at the first home of the Seabees, Davisville, RI. Our hotel will be [Crowne Plaza Providence Warwick | Warwick, Rhode Island](#)

Check-in will be Monday the 14th of September, check-out will be Friday September 18th.

More info next quarter.



[Obituary of Herbert Sampson Wolf | Norman Dean Home for Services, L...](#)

Herbert Sampson Wolf (“Herb”), devoted husband, loving father, grandfather and great-grandfather, and veteran from the Greatest Generation, passed away peacefully on August 31, 2025, at the age of 98.

Herb grew up in West Orange, New Jersey. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy shortly after his 18th birthday and

served as a member of the 53rd Naval Construction in the Marshall. After receiving his honorable discharge following the war, he studied business administration at Upsala College in New Jersey and graduated in 1950.

In 2023 he relocated to Alpharetta, Georgia, to be close to family.

Herb worked for a number of companies through the years, most notably serving on the design team for the X-15 rocket plane with Reaction Motors and working as a design draftsman with Foster Wheeler Corporation until he retired in 1992.

He was a proud Freemason and member of Acacia Lodge No. 20 and Jephthah Lodge No. 233 of Free & Accepted Masons. He achieved the rank of Master Mason, the highest rank within this foundational system.

An avid golfer, Herb was a member at Mt. Tabor Golf Club and Picatinny Golf Club. One of his many claims to fame was “shooting his age” at both 79 and 82 on the Mt. Tabor golf course, where he was also a senior club champion.



[Martin \(Marty\) Richard Sylwester Obituary | 1948 - 2020 | Bend, OR](#)

Martin Richard Sylwester (Marty) was born in Twin Falls, ID He graduated from high school in 1966 in Lakefield, MN, along with his future wife, Merle “Jean” Langenberg. His many jobs in his teenage years included school janitor, farm work, construction, building cabinets. After graduating from Canby

Vo-Tech in 1968 with an Architectural Drafting degree, he served four years as a Navy Seabee. After being discharged, they moved to Bend, OR and have lived there for 48 years. He owned a home design business for 45 years, continuing to work even until his death as he enjoyed it. His personal mission statement: “I want to help people have temporary houses and eternal homes.” Marty passed away June 1, 2020, due to complications from blood cancer.



Franklin Henthorn 04/10/1937 – 10/30/2025 Oceanside, CA. Passed away from bladder cancer. Frank was incredible active in our organization hosting the San Diego reunion. Always upbeat he retired from the navy as a Master Chief. Then he worked for the San Diego water facility.

As per his wishes he will receive full military honors and be buried in El Dorado Springs, MO on December 6. The burial location of his parents and sister.

I miss you partner.