

Memorial Resolution

For

Thomas Olsen Hartley Smith Jr.

On October 23, 2009 Thomas Olsen Hartley Smith Jr. (Tommy) died at the age of seventy-seven years.

At the time of his death Tommy resided in Kitty Hawk, North Carolina with his wife Barbara (Barbie). Tommy and Barbie married in 1987. Tommy is also survived by his brother David H. Smith, his sister-in-law Gardner Orr Smith, two sons Tom Smith and Andy Smith and grandchildren.

Tommy was born to T.O.H. Smith Sr. and Georgia Smith in Nashville, Tennessee on July 18, 1932. He grew up in the family home on Richland Avenue in the West End area of the city.

Tommy attended grammar school at Ransom School and later graduated from Duncan Preparatory School.

Tommy was a lifelong communicant of Christ Church Cathedral at 9th Ave No. and Broadway in Nashville.

Tommy attended the University of the South, in Sewanee, Tennessee for two years and then transferred to Vanderbilt University where he received his undergraduate degree. Tommy received his law degree from Vanderbilt University Law School in 1955.

Following admission to the Tennessee Bar, Tommy served in the United States Navy as a Judge Advocate General Officer at the Great Lakes Naval Training Center.

Upon completion of his tour of duty with the United States Navy he began the practice of law in Nashville, Tennessee with his father.

Tommy served on the Board of Directors of the Nashville Bar Association from 1970 through 1972.

In 1973, Tommy, his father, Luther (Pete) Cantrell, Jerry Humphreys and I formed the law firm of Smith, Davies, Smith and Cantrell. Chancellor Carol McCoy joined the firm in 1982.

Tommy practiced law with this firm for some ten years with his primary practice emphasis being in the field of worker's compensation litigation.

In the 1980's Tommy took a position as a claims attorney with United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company where he supervised the defense of major litigation until his retirement.

In addition to practicing law, Tommy loved sail boats and construction projects of all kinds. He built his cabin at Center Hill Lake, was a real craftsman and was probably more at home with hammer, saw, measuring tape and dry wall than he was with law books.

In 1996, Tommy and Barbie moved to Naples, Florida. Tommy soon obtained employment with Home Depot where he was truly at home advising customers concerning their construction projects, the tools and materials that they needed and how to accomplish the tasks which they were undertaking. It is reported that Tommy soon developed a sizable clientele who would only shop when Tommy was on duty.

In 2007 Tommy and Barbie moved to Kitty Hawk, North Carolina where Tommy was again employed by Home Depot and was able to enjoy his love of sail boats and sailing during the remaining years of his life.

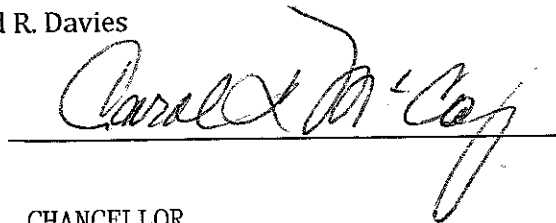
It is my observation that Tommy's greatest joy in life was his ability to come to the rescue and assist others in the solution of some personal crisis. I think this characteristic explains his popularity with Home Depot customers as well as with all of his friends.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the memory of Thomas Olsen Hartley Smith Jr. be preserved by this resolution, that it be spread upon the Minutes of the Chancery Court for Davidson County and that copies of this resolution shall be furnished to the family.

Respectfully submitted this the 18th day of November, 2010.



Ed R. Davies



CHANCELLOR