



## Maynard Collins "Bud" Taber

April 28, 1928 - July 20, 2025

Maynard Collins "Bud" Taber, 97, of Naples, FL, passed away peacefully on July 20, 2025, at the Bentley Care Center.

Bud was born on April 28, 1928, in Independence Missouri, the son of the late Maynard C. and Lillie E. (née Schwander) Taber. A lifelong resident of Independence, Bud spent his entire career as a respected mechanical contractor in his hometown. In 1990, he and his beloved wife, Lois, began wintering in Naples, eventually making it their permanent home in 2005.

Bud proudly served his country as a U.S. Navy Corpsman during the Korean War, assigned to the Marine Corps aboard the USS Sicily (CVE-118).

He was known for his strong work ethic, quiet strength, and deep devotion to his family. Over the years, Bud also gave generously of his time and resources to a variety of charitable causes, quietly supporting organizations and individuals in need. He shared 70 wonderful years of marriage with Lois Ann Taber, who preceded him in death on June 11, 2020. He was also predeceased by his son, Michael Collins Taber (2007), and his daughter, Patricia Ann Moore (2022).

He is survived by his loving daughter, Marilyn L. Faught and her husband, Jim

Hadden, of Naples, FL; and his cherished grandchildren, Carly Pascoe, Morgan Taber, and Andy Taber.

Private services were held by his family.

To sign Bud's guest register or leave online condolences, please visit [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com).

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# Tribute Wall

MF

“ Miss u so much Grandpa life seem a little less interesting without u little less wise



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**Morgan Taber Farren** - December 14, 2025 at 09:15 AM

GM

“ I admired the man very much. He gave me my opportunity in the beginning of my 30 year plumbing career.

*Gary Maugh*

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**Gary Maugh** - August 18, 2025 at 01:18 PM

MH

“ Bud's faith and his love of helping others was inspiring. Every time we'd talk, he always had a heart of gratitude and optimism and genuine thankfulness for a life well lived. I will miss our conversations. -Mark Haas, Kansas City, Mo.

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**Mark Haas** - August 14, 2025 at 02:32 PM

LM

“ I had the privilege of serving as Bud’s financial advisor until my retirement last year. Over the course of our relationship, I came to realize that Bud was not only a member of the Greatest Generation—he truly embodied all that made that generation great. He was a patriot, a devoted Christian, a generous philanthropist, and above all, a loyal friend.

*Bud was a gifted storyteller, often sharing memories from his remarkable life. Many of his tales came from his time as a Navy medic, including the period he was assigned to the legendary Black Sheep Squadron. One of my favorites was the story of the day he prevented a nationwide television outage by stepping in during a building flood in Kansas City—classic Bud, quietly heroic in ways most would never know.*

*Despite his success, Bud was far from the stereotypical “wealthy man.” He had a genuine heart for people and a deep devotion to the charities he supported. I often encouraged him to record his stories, but in his humility, he never saw them as special—though they were a treasured glimpse into a time and spirit we would all benefit from remembering.*

*I will always remember Bud with gratitude and admiration. Rest in peace, my friend. You lived a life well-lived, and the world is better for having known you.*

*Larry Medley*

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**Larry Medley** - August 12, 2025 at 08:17 PM

LM

“*Bud was a proud member of the Greatest Generation, and to all who knew him, he represented the very best of it. A patriot, a devoted Christian, a generous philanthropist, and a loyal friend—Bud lived a life grounded in faith, service, and compassion.*

*During his time in the U.S. Navy, Bud served as a medic with the famed Black Sheep Squadron. He often shared vivid stories from those years—moments of courage, humor, and humanity. One story he loved to recount was the day he helped prevent a nationwide television outage—just one example of his ability to find himself in extraordinary situations and meet them with steady resolve and a quiet smile.*

*Bud’s success in life never changed his heart. He was not the typical wealthy man—he measured his worth not in material terms, but in how deeply he cared for others. The charities he supported and the lives he touched stand as a testament to his generous spirit.*

*Though I had the honor of being Bud’s financial advisor until my retirement, our relationship quickly grew into something far more meaningful. I often encouraged him to record his incredible stories, believing they offered a valuable window into a time we would all do well to remember. But Bud was humble—he never saw his life as extraordinary, even though all of us who knew him did.*

*Bud’s legacy is one of kindness, service, and quiet strength. He will be deeply missed.*

*Rest in peace, my friend. You lived a truly great life.*

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**Larry Medley** - August 10, 2025 at 10:01 AM

HG

“ I had the pleasure of having coffee and donuts once a month with Bud for the last 3 years, as well as the honor of helping pin him and his fellow Veteran residents at Bentley on Veteran's Day. Bud was warm and funny, told great stories, and was known as The Mayor. He will be deeply missed.

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**Heather Golden** - August 10, 2025 at 07:57 AM

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“ My grandpa was the best I could ever hoped for he was patient and kind he didn't know a stranger and I have been so blessed to have for all my 43 years he will always been missed and never forgotten I love you so much grandpa



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**Morgan Taber Farren** - August 07, 2025 at 06:14 PM