



## Edward Tribble

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Ed was born August 10, 1943, at the hospital at NAS Fort Lauderdale, Florida, to Dr. Charles E. Tribble and Ann Jennings Tribble. He moved to DeLand, Florida, with his mother and two older brothers when his father was ordered to the South Pacific in early 1944 as a surgeon aboard the hospital ship U.S.S. Solace. He lived in Deland until leaving for college, attending Wake Forest University, Louisiana Tech, and Stetson University, eventually receiving his BA and MA in history from Stetson in 1968. He attained a second master's degree (in Library Science) from Florida State University in 1969. He worked as a librarian at the University of the South in Sewanee, TN, 1969-1973, and returned to Tallahassee in 1973 as the first professional archivist hired by the Florida State Archives, eventually rising to the position of State Archivist. He left the Archives in 1985 to co-found Florida Information Associates, Inc., an information retrieval service, where he worked until his retirement.

Ed was also a gifted artist, creating whimsical flying machines out of metal, found objects and wire, and sketching fanciful pen-and-ink drawings of the people and objects that inhabited his unique imagination.

Ed is survived by his wife of 37 years, Connie Beane; his brother Zachary (Nancy) of DeLand; three nephews, Grant (Kristine), Adam (Kendra), and Benjamin; and five grand-nephews and -nieces: Samantha, Katie, Nathan, Natalie and Zachary. He was pre-deceased by his parents, an older brother

Samuel G., and a beloved nephew, Charlie.

Ed requested a green burial, which will take place privately in the Glendale Nature Preserve near DeFuniak Springs on August 24. No formal funeral is planned, but memorial gatherings are being arranged in Tallahassee and in DeLand at dates to be determined later. In lieu of flowers, tax deductible contributions in his honor may be made to: Neighbor-to-Neighbor in the Nenes, 1525 Heechee Nene, Tallahassee, FL 32301, or via their website, [AginginNeneland.org](http://AginginNeneland.org). Ed believed strongly in the organization's mission of providing information and assistance to seniors to enable them stay in their own homes as long as possible.

The family is being assisted by Skip Young and Jackie Fulford.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Edward Tribble*

October 22, 2023 at 10:27 PM



“ *Edward Tribble*

October 09, 2023 at 11:25 AM



“ *Edward Tribble*

September 22, 2022 at 01:34 PM



RB

“ *I knew Ed in graduate school at FSU, and had the honor of working with him in the State Archives along with Connie Beane, (fabled for indexing and documenting the Florida soldiers Pension Files of the 19th Century.)*

*We shared enjoyable evenings at home and swimming at the Tallahassee Country Club; walking with "White Flag" his dog; and especially seeing him in his workshop creating the flying machines. He was a genuine gentle and humane person.*

*Bob Burkhart,  
Northampton, Massachusetts*

Robert W Burkhart - January 11, 2020 at 05:58 PM

FC

“ It’s been some time since Ed’s passing, but please allow me to add to his memory.

*Ed and I were roommates at Louisiana Tech in 1963-64. After President Kennedy was shot in Dallas, Louisiana Tech administration canceled classes after the 1st class the following Monday morning.*

*I lived in Augusta, GA, so we took off down Hwy 80 headed East; few if any Interstates in those days. We arrived in Macon, GA sometime early the next morning shortly after midnight where Ed caught a Trailways bus for Deland. I arrived in Augusta prior to sunrise.*

*I don’t have a memory about Ed and I after that....there remains a slight recollection that he returned to school with a car. I also remember Ed had a love for soft drinks, “Cokes” I believe.*

*We were good friends during our school days at Louisiana Tech. I transferred to Georgia Southern after that year and lost contact with Ed. (No cell phones or internet in those days).*

*Frank Corley (979) 218-5378*

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**Frank Corley** - December 01, 2019 at 06:30 PM

JH

“ Ed was a dear friend of my mother, Shirley Holder, and also of mine, over the last ten years.

*Mom was one of Connie's quilting buddies. She would enjoy Ed and Connie's company once a month at their house while the ladies did their needlework.*

*Since Mom moved to Tallahassee ten years ago, I visit her at least once a year, for a week, in July, to help her celebrate her birthday. (I live in Hoboken, NJ.) Over time, I really grew to look forward to our afternoon with Ed and Connie at their house. We all became true friends.*

*This year, Mom's 90th birthday was on Monday, 7/15/19. We spent the day before, Sunday, 7/14/19, at Connie and Ed's, sewing and celebrating, along with my nephew Stephen. The five of us had a thoroughly fascinating, wonderful conversation over sandwiches from Publix, lol.*

*A few weeks later, when Connie let us know that Ed passed away, the three of us -- Mom, Stephen and I -- felt truly honored to have shared such a lovely afternoon with Ed on one of his last days on Earth in this life.*

*Ed, we love you and will miss you! You did good work on Earth. You will truly be remembered and missed!*

*Connie, you are a lady of class and distinction. You will get through this. You are teaching us all as you manage this situation with such dignity and grace.*

*To the rest of Ed's family: God bless you all, you wonderful people!  
Your Ed was a very special man.*

*Peace love always,  
Janet Horton*

*Hoboken, NJ*

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**Janet Horton** - August 26, 2019 at 10:44 PM

ZT

“ *Ed was a superb brother and he was my very good friend. Many, many delightful memories over the past 75 years.*

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**Zack Tribble** - August 23, 2019 at 09:15 AM

MF

“ *Our deepest condolences to family and all who knew him.*

*Meribeth & JJ Fisher*



**M Fisher** - August 22, 2019 at 08:22 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Edward Tribble.*



August 22, 2019 at 04:11 PM

RC

“ *Ed was a kind man and a wonderful conversationalist. I truly enjoyed getting to know him this past year. I only wish I'd met him years ago. My condolences to Connie and their family and friends during this difficult time. Rest In Peace my friend.*

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**Robin C.** - August 20, 2019 at 12:26 PM