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GARMEN MONTELL "MONTE" LOONEY, JR. (Dec. 15, 1945 - Sept. 19, 2013)

Monte passed away on Thursday, September 19, 2013. He was born to Lorine Field and Garmen M. Looney, Sr. in 1945. He was preceded in death by his father and grandparents.

Monte is survived by his mother, Lorine Looney Souers and his wife of 45 years, Kitty Martin Looney. Also, he is survived by his daughters, Tristan L. Robertson and Nichole Looney, son-in-law Brian Robertson, and grandson Mark. Monte was especially close to his brother-in-law, John Martin, and family.

Monte was a lifetime member of Bethany Christian Church, where he was an Elder and the Choir Director. He was a member of the Sports Car Club of America, Roanoke Valley VW Club, and the Antique Historic Racing Motorcycle Association. He raced his bike for several years. Monte retired from First Team Auto Mall and was known around Roanoke as "Mister VW." After retirement, he devoted his time to his motorcycle shop and driving a school bus for Roanoke County. He always had a good time with his family, dogs, friends, and making plans to spend the winter in his camper in Florida.

Funeral service was held on Monday, September 23, 2013, at Oakey's North Chapel. Our club members and VW friends all loved him and will miss him greatly.

A great big VW salute to a wonderful club member and friend. He will always be in our thoughts and prayers. *Submitted by Judy Bennett*

GETTING TO KNOW OUR VW MEMBERS

I would like to introduce to everyone some of our members. This time it is Lonnie and Linda Jenkins. Linda has been a VW club member for 12 years and she has been the club treasurer for that length of time. She does a wonderful job and is efficient and responsible.

Linda is retired now from her job as manager of WRIS radio. Lonnie has just retired as manager of the Carpet Shop on Williamson Road. Even though they have retired, they are still very busy, active folks. Their home and Lonnie's garage is on Riverside Drive in Salem.

The Jenkins have been married for 43 years and have one son, Travis. Travis is a great young adult that owns his own home. He works at "Stage Sound" and is the P.A. announcer for the baseball games at the Salem Ball Park.

Linda recently started basket weaving on Tuesdays at the Senior Center in Salem. Great Student!

Lonnie does interior restoring of older "cruising treasures" at his home. Interiors, like seat covers and

Headliners.

They don't have a VW right now, but have owned two in the past. One car was loved and driven every day. One was in boxes in the garage. Ask Linda or Lonnie about them.

These are special people! We're so glad to have them as members of the VW club, and so glad that they are our friends! *Submitted by Judy Bennett*

RVVWC'S 2013 CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year's Christmas Party will commence at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, December 5, at Logan's Roadhouse. One highlight of the party will be the election of the club's officers for the 2014 season! We hope to see all of you at the party!!

KEN FUNK'S ITEMS FOR SALE:

1. Manx-style Dune Buggy Body - for shortened frame - \$600.00 firm
2. Manx-style Dune Buggy "Project." Motor was running when parked. Now it needs seats, wiring and TLC. \$1,100.00
3. Complete parts car... no title. '74 Super Beetle - engine locked up. \$550.00
4. '71 Super Beetle - runs good - within last year has had all new front and rear axle bearings, new carburetor, all new brake shoes on all four wheels and two new snow tires. Needs a master cylinder, which I have already bought. \$2,500.00
5. Orange '77 VW Convertible - needs top and paint. Motor, tranny, and body good. Needs door panels installed (which I have). \$3,600.00
6. 49cc street-legal motorcycle - Looks like a small chopper with saddle bags. No license required. Less than 35 actual miles. \$900.00
7. '87 Honda Goldwing Interstate - silver in color - 57,000 miles. Starts instantly and runs and rides great. Ideal for year-round riding. \$2,800.00
8. 2007 Yamaha 4X4 ATV "Grizzly" - fully automatic - can run in 2-wheel or 4-wheel drive with the push of a button. Very powerful. Front and rear racks, tires like new and very dependable. Less than 60 hours on it! \$4,500.00
9. '52 MG Kit Car (VW) but no motor... \$2,500.00
10. '32 Lincoln Kit Car (VW) was running when parked. Automatic tranny. \$2,500.00

CALL **540-354-7556** BEFORE 9:00 P.M. Thanks for looking!

LAST MONTH'S "VW'S IN THE VALLEY" CAR SHOW

My acquaintance and co-worker, Robert Eastwood, told me that his first VW car show was a success. He had 110 VW's in the show, and over 900 spectators paid admission to spend the day there, surrounded by great cars, like-minded people, and concessions prepared by another co-worker, Bobby Hunter. Robert said that the weather was beautiful and he had attendees from everywhere, since he had posted the show on several internet sites devoted to VW's. He was very pleased with this first outing.

Maybe we should consider attending this show next year, even though a road trip to Maggie Valley, NC, would make it an all-day affair. Just a thought! Let's get out and support the brand!

SAND RAIL PROJECT

The sand rail project has reached an impasse. The club has decided that the donor bug has too much rust, and therefore too much sheet metal to replace, to make it feasible to continue with it. The search is on for another body, so that our work may proceed. Everyone at Mel's Garage is motivated to see this project to its end. We all hope that we can save some poor Beetle from the scrapper and turn it into a sweet little Baja Bug, for the club to enjoy, raffle off, or whatever!

DID YOU KNOW?

The Beetle was produced from 1938 to 2003 - a whopping 65 years! There were 21,529,464 built beetles, of which 15,444,858 in Germany, incl. 330,251 Convertibles, and about 3,350,000 in Brazil! Wow!

****For Sale**** Duane Palmer has a '73 Bug Convertible for sale. The driver's side floorpan needs some attention, but that's it, as far as he knows. He's asking \$5,000.00, negotiable. (540) 588-4434.

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OCTOBER

7 - Club Meeting
14 - Tech Night at Mel's

NOVEMBER

4 - Club Meeting
11 - Tech Night at Mel's
20 - Farmington Races

DECEMBER

2 - Club Meeting
5 - Christmas Party
9 - Tech Night at Mel's

The Roanoke Valley Volkswagen Club, established in 1995, is dedicated to the love of Volkswagens. An interest in Volkswagens of any model, or year, is the only requirement for membership. We have small dues. We welcome all types of VW: Beetles, Ghias, Busses, Dune Buggies, Water-cooled, everything that has a VW nameplate. You don't even have to own a Volkswagen to attend our events. Just come to enjoy the company of other VW enthusiasts. We meet on the first Monday of every month, unless it is a holiday - then it will be the second Monday. We currently meet at Famous Anthony's on West Main Street in Salem, Va. Arrive early for dinner, meetings start around 7:00 p.m. Bring the whole family!