



## Robert Lon Summers II

September 27, 1958 - October 18, 2022

Robert Lon Summers II of Fort Myers, FL, died peacefully on Tuesday, October 18, 2022 at age 64.

Loving son of Aubrey Samuel Summers and Norma Leone Summers, both deceased, he is survived by his loving wife, Dianne M Summers; children, Robert L. Summers III of Fayetteville, NC; Aubree L. Summers and fiancée Henry L Hicks of Cary, NC; Matthew R Summers of Fayetteville, NC, and stepdaughter Giana M Fussaro of Ft Myers, FL; as well as siblings, Minda Alice (Summers) Paisley and husband, Allan Paisley of London, Ontario; and brother William Aubrey Summers and wife Cathy Summers of Albany, OR and the mother of Rob's children, Sherry Ann Kesler.

Rob was born in Guymon, Ok and later moved with his parents and siblings to Kansas, living in Medicine Lodge, Kansas City, Lawrence, Chanute and finally, Wichita. He was very proud to be a Kansas boy and The Chiefs and the Royals were his teams! He loved his entire extended family all over the US, Canada and Australia.

He graduated from Wichita West High School, attended Emporia State University, and later received a Bachelor of Theatre Arts from The University of North Carolina at Pembroke. He was a member of the Alpha PSI Omega Fraternity- National Theatre Honor Society.

For 12 1/2 years, Rob served as a Broadcast Journalist for the United States

Army. He was honorably discharged as a disabled veteran and, over the course of his service, served in Haiti, Turkey, Kuwait, and Iraq during Desert Storm, and was stationed for 3 years in Würzburg, Germany. He repeatedly was recognized for his excellence of service, receiving National Defense Medal, Southwest Asia Service medal with a Bronze Service Star, Overseas Service Ribbons and Kuwait Liberation Medal, among many others. He starred in several theatre productions for the Little Theatre on base in Würzburg.

Rob's happy place was on the stage. He spent his career working as a professional actor, traveling the country. In Rob's own words, he said "A little something about me. It has been a long road to get here, but it's been a lot of fun! Some of my favorite roles include Tevye ("Fiddler on the Roof" National Tour), Scrooge ("A Christmas Carol") - both have been recurring roles, Oscar ("The Odd Couple"), Mayor Shinn ("The Music Man") and Elroy ("Church Basement Ladies - Rise Up, O Men"). I've been honored to receive two awards from my peers in my hometown for Mr. McClamb in "Fly By Night" and Juror #3 in "12 Angry Men... I'm happy to travel wherever there's a stage and audience."

# Previous Events

## Dinner

OCT **25**. 5:30 PM - 6:45 PM (ET)

Broadway Palm Dinner Theatre  
1380 Colonial Blvd  
Fort Myers, FL 33907

## Celebration of Life

OCT **25**. 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Robert Lon Summers II*

October 22, 2023 at 10:35 PM



“ *Robert Lon Summers II*

October 06, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *Robert Lon Summers II*

October 05, 2023 at 11:43 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Robert Lon Summers II.*



October 24, 2022 at 10:06 AM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Robert Lon Summers II.*



October 23, 2022 at 11:45 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robert Lon Summers II.*



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October 23, 2022 at 08:23 PM



“ *I went to ESU with Rob and even then, he was a talent to be reckoned with. He always delivered on stage and was a giant personality off stage, as well. We studied together, attended classes and worked together on shows and even though that was a lifetime ago, I will always remember his bigger than life laugh! May peace be with you Dianne and family.*

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**Gloria (Duncan) Ware** - October 23, 2022 at 07:12 PM



“ *I'm very grateful to have met Rob through Dianne. I was Able to see plays where they both acted in. I was able to share these experiences with my friends. Rob was a great Scrooge. A Christmas Carole is my favorite Christmas movie. He did a great Alastair Sim. Thank you for sharing your light with the world. God bless you. Light up Heaven now.*

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**Joann McCoy** - October 23, 2022 at 06:46 PM