



## Douglas Benson Shimp

March 14, 1949 - October 5, 2022

Douglas Benson Shimp, age 73 of Moundville, WV passed away on Wednesday, October 5, 2022, after a courageous and extended battle with cancer.

The following obituary was composed by Doug, in anticipation of his death. Doug was born March 14, 1949, the son of the late Aubrey “Auby” and Letha Allender Shimp.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his brother, Jack. He was a graduate of West Liberty State College. Most of his adult working life was spent at his family’s clothing store, Auby’s in Moundville. He later retired from the WV Department of Health and Human Resources; and was a Christian by faith.

He was a fanatical WVU Mountaineer fan, and he took the football and basketball losses very hard. But, he was convinced coaches Brown and Huggins would have vastly improved teams in the very near future.

He loved to fish, and especially loved to golf, but by his own admission, he was at best, an average hacker.

Doug was extremely concerned where the insanity of political correctness, cancel and woke culture are taking the greatest nation in the history of the world. In any case, he was cautiously optimistic that all this idiocy would be nothing but a terribly bad memory in a few short years.

Survivors include three brothers, Vince “Hap” (Linda) Shimp of Glen Dale, WV; Malcolm “Mac” Shimp (Bev) Shimp of Glen Dale, and Dr. Terence “Terry”

(Judy) Shimp of Columbia, SC; numerous nieces and nephews; numerous wonderful friends; and his godson, Zane Aubrey Madden of Pittsburgh, PA. To those that wish, contributions may be made to the charity of their choice. Doug's favorites were the dozens of local charities, the St. Jude Home for Children and Make-A-Wish Foundation.

Per Doug's request, there will be no funeral services.

On-line condolences may be offered to the family at [grisellfuneralhomes.com](http://grisellfuneralhomes.com).

Arrangements entrusted to Grisell Funeral Home & Crematory, Moundsville.

# Cemetery Details

**Grisell Crematory**

Moundsville, WV

# Tribute Wall

PR

“ Hap, Mac and Terry and families, We were sad to learn of Doug' passing, I was in wonder how he was so upbeat with nis health challenge in a conversation with him. There are many good memories with him and the whole Shimp family. You are embraced by many in your loss. Phil and C'Ann Reilly

Philip Reilly - October 11, 2022 at 07:47 PM

SI

“ I am so very sorry to hear about Doug's passing. We graduated from MHS together & of course, I was a frequent shopper at Auby's where Doug often greeted me/us. He was a friend to so many & never seemed to encounter a stranger. May Doug "Rest In Peace".

Susie Inclan - October 11, 2022 at 02:49 PM

BI

“ R.I.P. my friend.  
Butch Inclan

Butch Inclan - October 11, 2022 at 02:41 PM

WS

“ To Vince, Mac, Terry, Steve , Dave and all of your families I'm so sorry for your loss. Doug and I met when we were five years old. We hit it off instantly. We both loved coffee. A first play date with Doug he grabbed the salt shaker and we went to the Shimp's garden and ate tomatoes off of the vine. I was startled by the Racing Pigeons leaving their Pigeon-coop next door. Then off to the top of the Mound (our playground) for the rest of the day. I could go on and on. I Loved that Guy. Bill Snyder

William S Snyder - October 11, 2022 at 10:08 AM

LG

“ So very sorry for your loss  
Sending prayers to the entire Shimp family  
May he Rest In Peace

*Larry & Carol Goodnight*

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**Larry Goodnight** - October 10, 2022 at 04:19 PM

BH

“ Sorry to hear of Doug's passing w/ sincere condolences to the entire Shimp family. May Doug rest in peace-- while getting the Mountaineers on track. Oh, the memories in reading the obit-- Aubrey's Store and Mr. Shimp--the consummate gentleman-- while Doug's apple did not fall far from the tree. And Hap, Terry and Mac, who we all appreciated during those wonderful years in Moundsville.  
*Bob Hummell MHS '66*

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**Bob H** - October 10, 2022 at 10:23 AM

AG

“ My condolences to the family of Doug. He was my neighbor for many years and will be greatly missed. I could always tell how WVU was doing by how loud he was yelling. I will miss those Saturdays.

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**Allyson Gates** - October 09, 2022 at 10:19 PM

DG

“ "A friend to all." Always enjoy shopping there when I was young. He would of been great in Real Estate. Doug Gonzales, Naples Fl.

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**Douglas Gonzales** - October 09, 2022 at 12:05 PM

GH

“ Condolences to the family. Doug was a great and loyal friend. I will always remember the good times.

*Gary Hancyzk*

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**Gary Hancyzk** - October 09, 2022 at 08:31 AM

DO

“ Our condolences & prayers for Doug’s family. Good memories of shopping at Auby’s & the professional/personal treatment given to each customer that they provided. As they always said, “Make it a hobby to shop at Aubys”. We always did.

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**David & Patty Owens** - October 08, 2022 at 08:32 PM

WB

“ Sorry to hear about my good friend Doug. We grew up together, went to grade school, high school and college together. I remember when we were young- Doug, Bill Snyder and other friends playing ball and then staying overnight at the Snyder Hotel and then having breakfast at the Snyder Restaurant the next morning. I thought it was neat because I never stayed in a hotel before. I worked for and with the wonderful Shimp family for four years at Auby’s while going to college. Some people even thought I was a Shimp. I was always thankful for Auby and Letha and the Shimp boys because they always treated me so well and looked out for my best interest - not only while I worked there but always. Doug, Jack and I had some crazy times and I enjoyed it so much. Rest in peace Doug. I will always remember you.

*Bill Blackwell*

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**William Blackwell** - October 08, 2022 at 02:41 PM

RO

“ I was in a painting class with Doug at West Liberty. He was an excellent painter/artist.

Russell Osmianski - October 08, 2022 at 10:05 AM

MP

“ So sorry for your loss, my thoughts and prayers are with the family.

*Michele Neubauer Page*

Michele Neubauer Page - October 08, 2022 at 08:05 AM

SS

“ To the Shimp family

*We will miss Doug.*

*Sam and Doug would talk for hours discussing WVU games. We witnessed his enthusiasm watching those games! We will cherish his friendship over the years from shopping at Auby's to his visits to our home. Jokingly he would tell us he would be at our home on Christmas morning at 5:30 AM!*

*Rest In Peace Doug. You were a great friend.*

Sam & Rita Sedosky - October 08, 2022 at 08:02 AM

TW

“ Terry Winland lit a candle in memory of Douglas Benson Shimp



Terry Winland - October 07, 2022 at 09:28 PM

RP

*Sorry for this loss of a Good Soul....I hope to meet you again in Glory....Love Ochi*

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**Ricardo Prado** - October 08, 2022 at 09:23 AM

BS

“ *I would like to extend my sadness of losing another member of the Shimp family. Doug was a very nice person and always friendly. He is from great parents. Love to shop at the men's store for my husband and Father. Auby was always a charmer and Mrs. Shimp kind. Doug had the same wonderful traits. May God Bless the whole family. Barbara ( Brown) Springer Stern. May God greet him with open arms.*

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**Barbara (Brown) Springer-Stern** - October 07, 2022 at 04:29 PM

DD

“ *I was sadden to hear about the Shimp family losing their youngest brother Doug. We enjoyed shopping at Aubys with the friendly family and their ways to satisfy all the customers. Condolences to all the Shimp families in your loss.  
Donna Best Durbin*

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**Donna Durbin** - October 07, 2022 at 03:58 PM

FB

“ *I met Doug at Auby's of course, where he always treated me with warm greetings and extreme courtesy. Attending WVU from 1965-1969, my last stop before another year of college was updating my wardrobe. Doug would always add another shirt or garment to my purchase with a "come back" smile as he said "on the house". Of course we became buddies at Elites where we had a few beers and watched our beloved Mountaineers. I will miss Doug. Condolences to family and friends..... Frank Noso*

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**Frank Boso** - October 07, 2022 at 02:38 PM

FB

*Frank Boso...*

Frank Boso - October 07, 2022 at 02:40 PM

SA

“ *My prayers are with the family.*

Sara Jo Anderson - October 07, 2022 at 12:58 PM



“ *Thoughts and condolences to the Shimp family. My brother played football with Hap and I played football with Terry. I always enjoyed going into Auby's and I got to know the rest of the family including Doug via Auby's. They are a wonderful family. RIP*

Clem Truex - October 07, 2022 at 12:24 PM

DM

“ *Rest In Peace. Doug was one of the kindest most delightful people I've ever met. He will be sadly missed.*

Dan Moore - October 07, 2022 at 12:12 PM

LS

“ *To the Shimp Family, I am so sorry and sad to read this about Doug. He was one of the kindest and gentle souls I every have known. We spent several years in high school together and the memories keep flooding back to me at this time. Memories of his parents and the store and all the saddle shoes we used to wear, I can see them now. A very loving family to all in our small town. Please accept my deepest sympathy.*

Leslie Stanley - October 07, 2022 at 09:48 AM

JS

“ This is so sad and Im so sorry to hear that Doug passed. Doug was a great guy, loyal friend and so fun to be around. Im so glad that I have many great memories of us all hanging out. RIP friend you will be missed.

Jodi Streight - October 07, 2022 at 07:14 AM

LR

“ Sorry to hear of Doug's passing. My thoughts and prayers are with the family. REST IN PEACE MY FRIEND. 🙏

Larry "Pork" Robbins - October 06, 2022 at 11:21 PM

GC

“ So very sorry to learn of Doug's passing. He was one of the 'good guys', a personal friend, and a longtime family friend. He will be missed.

Gregg Crow - October 06, 2022 at 10:49 PM

GC

“ Gregg Crow lit a candle in memory of Douglas Benson Shimp



Gregg Crow - October 06, 2022 at 10:44 PM

MG

“ *Mary Glover sent a virtual gift in memory of Douglas Benson Shimp*



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**Mary glover** - October 06, 2022 at 07:11 PM

MG

“ *Mary Glover lit a candle in memory of Douglas Benson Shimp*



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**Mary glover** - October 06, 2022 at 07:10 PM

DW

“ *Thoughts, Prayers, and condolences to the Shimp family. Doug and Mac dressed me all through Junior High, High School and College. Let me qualify that. Auby's dressed me! Loved running into Doug, I was always met with a smile and genuine concern for me and my family. RIP my Friend!!*

*He never volunteered to me that his middle name was Benson!?  
Wish I had known...*

*Dan Whorton & Family*

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**Dan Whorton** - October 06, 2022 at 06:15 PM

PW

*Doug , You will always be remembered for the many talks and kindness and your humor that made so many love you friend! Take care of Frankie❤️*

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**Paula Whorton** - October 06, 2022 at 09:25 PM

SC

*May God's peace and comfort be with all of Doug's family. The Shimp family is a chapter of Moundsville history unto itself. Each brother's persona emulating that of their gentlemanly and a gracious father. Such good memories. Thank you Doug and RIP old friend! See you sooner than later.*

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**Steve Crabtree** - October 07, 2022 at 09:12 AM

JK

“ TO THE SHIMP AND ALLENDER FAMILIES,

*So sorry about Doug.. He was one of the older guys who passed through my life who was a " character" and had character. Unfortunately, the list is getting shorter of those type of people in my world.. I mostly talked to Doug on the phone in recent years, but whether it was about sports, gambling, politics, current affairs, or people we grew up with over the years, it always put a smile on my face. Between the both of us, we could have talked another hour. I guess now he'll have a front row seat to see if his optimistic view of the world changing for the better is realized. Thanks for the memories Douger.*

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**Jay Knapp** - October 06, 2022 at 03:58 PM

JA

*PS. I'll especially miss Doug's phone calls when he would opine on my occasional Letters to the Editor in Saturday (Sunday's) Wheeling paper.*

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**Jay** - October 10, 2022 at 09:48 AM

ES

“ So very sorry about Doug's passing. Doug was a very friendly and enthusiastic and glad to have known him. RIP Doug. Prayers to all the family.

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**Ed Swierkos** - October 06, 2022 at 01:31 PM

MB

“ *Michael and I sure enjoyed all the time we spent with Doug over the years. He always had a good long story to share. Our family will forever remember his humor and generosity. RIP Doug* ❤️

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**Michael and Maria Baum** - October 06, 2022 at 12:57 PM