

House Resolution 1235

By: Representative Rhodes of the 120th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring the life and memory of Clarence "Mutt" Lee Rhodes Jr.; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Clarence Lee Rhodes Jr. on May 28, 2019; and
- 4 WHEREAS, Clarence Lee Rhodes Jr. was born on May 10, 1927, a beloved son of Clarence
5 Lee and Cleo Rhodes; and
- 6 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United
7 States Navy, valiantly and courageously protecting his fellow Americans during World War
8 II in the Pacific theatre; and
- 9 WHEREAS, a man of deep and abiding faith, Clarence was an active member of Siloam
10 Baptist Church and Greensboro First United Methodist Church; and
- 11 WHEREAS, he was united in love and marriage to his wife of 68 years, Jane, and was
12 blessed with three remarkable children, Suzan, Clarence Lee Rhodes III, and Boyd; four
13 wonderful grandchildren, Kendrick, Benjamin, Clarence Lee Rhodes IV, and Sloan; and four
14 amazing great-grandchildren, Addie, Rhodes, Watson, and Nora; and
- 15 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
16 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness, and by the example he made of his life, he
17 made this world a better place in which to live; and
- 18 WHEREAS, as a tree farmer, Mutt worked with C. L. Rhodes Lumber Co. and Rhodes
19 Timber for over 50 years and was a member of the Forest Landowners Association,
20 American Tree Farm System, and Georgia Forestry Association, where he was on the board
21 of directors for over 25 years; and

22 WHEREAS, his tenure as mayor of Siloam saw the formation of the fire department and
23 construction of a city water system; and

24 WHEREAS, his deep commitment to his community was further evidenced by his leadership
25 roles with the Greene County Chamber of Commerce, Greene County Board of Education,
26 Minnie G. Boswell Hospital Authority, Northeast Georgia RDC, and Nathanael Greene
27 Academy; and

28 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Mutt will long be remembered for his love
29 of family, friendship, and community and will be missed by all who had the great fortune of
30 knowing him.

31 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
32 the members of this body join in honoring the life and memory of Clarence "Mutt" Lee
33 Rhodes Jr. and express their deepest and most sincere regret at his passing.

34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
35 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to the
36 family of Clarence "Mutt" Lee Rhodes Jr.