

# SMAC Article

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Unfortunately we find ourselves having to say goodbye to another SMAC member. What can I say about Bill, He taught me so much about the RC sport and things that I can even apply to everyday life.

Through the winter of 2002 I went over to Bill's house on Saturday mornings and he taught me the art and skill of covering RC Air-planes. Bill was always so open with his vast knowledge as he taught me every trick in the book and some that aren't in the book at all! We had a great time and Vi always kept the coffee coming and made a great lunch to top it all off. It was great visiting with Bill and Vi and I always felt so welcome whenever I would stop by.

Bill didn't waste time, he stayed busy working in the hobby he loved and I can't think of anyone who loved the sport more than Bill. It goes without saying that we will miss Bill a lot.

Right:  
Here Bill (Shown in rear) is enjoying some fun conversation with his good buddy Pete at the 2004 Toys for Tots event in Crosswell.

## *William V. Sommers*

APPLEGATE: William V. Sommers, Age 78, of Applegate, passed away on Friday, January 9, 2009 at Port Huron Hospital.

He was born May 29th, 1930 in Detroit, son of the late William & Olive Eleanor (Redman) Sommers. He married Violet Davenport on January 23, 1954 in Roseville.

Bill was a Korean War veteran of the U.S. Army. He was a member of Plumbers Union Local 98, the Sanilac Aviation Club, and Sandusky V.F.W.

Surviving are his wife, Violet. Son, John (Phyllis) of Oxford. Daughter, Linda (Michael) Finch of Grand Rapids. Two brothers, John of Clinton Twp. and James of Ishpeming. 11 Grandchildren and 15 Great Grandchildren.

He was preceeded in death by a son, William Michael on Dec. 20, 2002, and a grandson, Michael John Sommers.

Memorials may be made to the Charity of the Donor's Choice.

