

DOUGLAS A. HABEGGER

Personal History

Doug was born on November 4, 1950, the middle child of Edward (Bob) and Dorothy (Haack) Habegger. His older brother Don (Molly) resides in Sand Beach, Oak Harbor, Ohio. His younger sister Brenda Jordan (Rick) lives in Beaumont, Texas. The family called home, Curtice and Northwood, Ohio, until Doug's father was transferred with his job to Beaumont, Texas. Doug met the love of his life at age 16; needless to say the move to Texas was never considered. He graduated from Northwood High School in 1968. Following high school, Doug attended the University of Toledo. In 1970, Doug and Leslie were united in marriage. They are the proud parents of two sons, Jeffrey (Shelly) and Brian (fiancée, Kathy). They enjoy their grandchildren, Alex age 10, Julia age 10, Abigail age 7, and Katlyn age 6.

Even as a youth, he grew up helping his grandfather make furniture in the family owned upholstery shop. With much enthusiasm, a wife, and two young sons' Doug opened his own upholstery shop in Toledo, Ohio. Returning to his roots, after his grandfather retired, Doug became proprietor of the family upholstery shop in Curtice, Ohio. Several years later, he went to work at La-Z-Boy Chair Company at the Corporate Headquarters where he was Experimental Research Manager. Doug is the holder of many patents in the industry.

Doug and Leslie are members of St. Ignatius Church, which has been in existence since 1884. For many years, Doug was active as a volunteer fireman with the Millbury Fire Department. Most rewarding was his involvement as an advanced Emergency Medical Technician. He served as a Boy Scout Leader and Dad Advisor of Ottawa Chapter DeMolay. Wanting to support public television the Habegger's became co-chairman of the food committee during their annual auction.

Doug feels a deep accomplishment when using his hands. On one occasion, he read that someone had for sale a kit to build your own in-ground swimming pool, size 20 foot by 40 foot. Doug returned home with a box as big as a refrigerator filled with the makings of a pool. Yes the do it yourselfer went to work and 2 years later that pool was completed by Doug Habegger. He likes nothing more than to do woodworking and rehabbing old homes. Currently he is working on a total remodel of a 4500 square foot house.

When Doug is not busy with his major hobbies and masonic activities, he and Leslie enjoy traveling and spending time with family and friends. Semi-retired... but not to be forgotten, Doug drives school bus for Lake Local Schools.