

Weekly Posting of the Conservative Cow Doctor

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The Loyalty of a Labrador

Did you see Hawkeye? On Friday, August 19th, Jon's faithful Chocolate Lab, Hawkeye, rested at his feet for the last time. The powerful photo of Petty Officer Jon Tumilson's funeral services with Hawkeye stretched out on the gymnasium floor underneath the lone casket beams loyalty—unyielding devotion to a cause other than yourself. Such were Jon and Hawkeye.

Jon joined the Navy in 1995 and so great was his devotion to God and country, he earned the Navy SEAL Trident. Few enlistees attempt, much less complete, the rigorous 30 month training it takes to wear the Trident. Jon did. Innate in those that do, is the unquestioning commitment to the mission. Without hesitation, they will go anywhere at anytime to eliminate a threat to our great American republic. Jon's service had taken him to every corner of the globe—the last being his fatal ride in the crash of a Chinook in Afghanistan on August 6th. Along with Jon on his final journey were 21 other SEALs and 4 other servicemen. Freedom suffered a devastating loss and now these warriors “dwell in the house of the Lord forever.” You see, engraved on the wall of the SEAL training center in Coronado, California is the 23rd Psalm which begins, “The lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.” It is not there by coincidence. (If you haven't read the 23rd Psalm for a while, now would be a good time. It's okay, I'll wait.) Trident wearers recognize America was founded by divine providence, for without the hand of God, America and the world would never have received the glorious blessings of liberty. You are free today because of God fearing men like Jon and this brings me to my point.

During the same week Hawkeye slept alongside Jon's casket, a progressive view of God and country also made the headlines. In the exact city where 2752 innocent Americans were murdered, thereby prompting Jon's special deployment to Afghanistan, New York City Mayor Bloomberg announced there would be no clergy allowed at the upcoming 9-11 memorial services. He doesn't get it. Apparently, Mayor Bloomberg, a politician to the core, wishes to appear open minded to voting blocks of other ideologies. (Remember, this is the same Mayor Bloomberg who supported the building of a mosque at ground zero.)

America is in dire straits today because we have far too many politicians and far too few SEALs. Good cannot possibly triumph over evil if we turn away from God.