

ED HAZELTON

Ed's family maintained a summer home in Surf City when he was very young. At age seven, they sold this home and bought one in Bayside. The family always maintained their Victorian home at 87 Stafford Avenue (Manahawkin), which was built by Ed's grandfather in 1898.

Ed clammed, crabbed and fished the bay. When Ed was seven years old he was given a rabbit dog to train. His father taught him all about upland gunning, and the care, handling and training of hunting dogs.

Ed gunned the Barnegat Bay and meadows for ducks. Paul Cramer was his professional guide and the guide for the Marshelder Gun Club on Marshelder Island. Paul taught Ed the art of meadow gunning and open bay

gunning. He duck hunted with Joe Tom Cranmer, Joe Bounds and Rube Corlies. Ed also bird hunted for quail and pheasants and hunted the woods for rabbit and fox. Ed never guided professionally, but did guide for a friend of the family.

Hurley Conklin and Robe Corlies were Ed's neighbors and for years he watched them carve decoys. A friend, Joe Tom Cranmer, made little flying decoys. These decoys used to have tin or metal wings and would hang from the ceiling.

Ed carves and builds miniature sneakboxes, made to scale with oars, guns and decoys. He also carves miniature flying decoys.

Ed raises black labrador retrievers. They are known from North Jersey, up into Pennsylvania and down to the Outer Banks of the Carolinas.

Ed said his life has been great and full of wonderful experiences, and he'd like to thank the Lord for allowing him this wonderful opportunity. He said he's led a "Field and stream" kind of life!



