

## Excerpt from Lemon Bay's Hidden Secrets

The burden of Buster's death loomed as a painful reminder of those days that would transition to Tampa, Miami, and Rum Row for two more days. Linda and I started to process how and why Skipper was so determined to preserve the good, bad, and the ugly for future generations yet to come.

Before dinner that night, he shared with the film crew that without the struggle to love and fight through adversity to protect those you love, there's no way to enjoy and accept the rhythm of life. He told them that he strongly doubted if we will ever understand and fully evaluate this effort without placing it against the background of other radical decades. Having lived life to the hilt, he found that his older sea captains as well as the younger crew members who worked for him years ago have seldom been able to be sufficiently thanked for their dedication toward their community when they had time. It's important to draw the crucial comparisons from the Roaring Twenties to the Sixties adequately.