



*About 100 years ago, the Pierce Family came to Bay Lake eventually buying property on Hunter's Bay Point Shoreline. Rhoda (13 in this picture) later married and had 3 sons.*



*The eldest, John (Bud) MacKay, a gifted composer, concert pianist and teacher lived on Bay Lake until he passed away in 2016.*



*Bud had a baby grand piano in his little cabin. Our daughters remember going to sleep listening to him play.*



*Bud's piano sat neglected for 2+years after his passing and then moving it out of the cabin became an almost unbeatable challenge because "Piano Movers" refused to deal with it.*



*Then a team of determined people found a way. Jerry Hutchison of Hutchison Excavating laid a pathway; removed a wall and built a platform that he could use with his (huge) front end loader. The piano was lifted on to a platform that was transported very slowly to a flatbed his truck.*



*BayLaker and Salem Lutheran Associate Pastor Greg Meyer rode along to protect the piano.*

*Fellow BayLaker Don Hales and other Salem Church members also played key roles.*



*Today, Bud's beloved piano has found a new and appreciative home at Salem Lutheran Church in Deerwood.*

*A stressful end became a wonderful beginning.*