



Tuckers Funeral and Bereavement Service celebrates 70 years of membership to the Geelong Chamber of Commerce with recognition and acknowledgement of this milestone at the 2018 Annual General Meeting and April After 5 function.

The business of F.H Tucker & Son Pty Ltd was established in Wycheproof in 1883 by Mr. Frank Henry Tucker. At this time the business was setup as a Builder, Undertaker & Timber Merchant.

In 1925, F.H. Tucker & Son moved to the town of Geelong West. The company was owned and run as a family business by the Tucker family serving the Geelong community in the midst of war and through the challenging years surrounding these historic events.

Les Cole became an employee of Tuckers and worked closely with Charles Tucker, who became Mayor of Geelong West in 1945 and 1946. Les helped develop the business, and even more so after the passing of Charles.

The Cole family purchased Tuckers. Les and his family were community-minded and they understood the importance of being involved in the local community; hence Tuckers began its association with Chamber 70 years ago.

The Chamber was a way of meeting people, forging new friendships and connections. Les' son Trevor said "that that the very nature of the business meant that it was often difficult attending after hours events but at the same time was so important in being able to take a break from the business and connect with other people."

The Cole and Tattersall families have had friendship and business relationships for that same period and it was appropriate for current Location Manager of Tucker's Grovedale – Brad Tattersall, to receive this award on behalf of Tuckers Funeral and Bereavement Service.

The Geelong Chamber of Commerce has enabled Tuckers to connect with the Geelong community, it has enabled Tuckers to express generational interest in Geelong and the surrounding regions, willing it to grow and prosper.

Over the 70 years Tuckers Funeral and Bereavement Service has forged strong relationships with social and welfare organisations, providing financial assistance to help support those who are disadvantaged by circumstances and in need.