



## Mr. Paul W. Blackburn

December 29, 1951 - July 2, 2022

Paul W. Blackburn, 70, passed away at his home in Tallahassee, Florida, on Saturday, July 2, 2022.

He was born to Billy and Jane Blackburn in Memphis, Tennessee, on December 29, 1951. Paul was married to his devoted wife, Shirley Nipper Blackburn.

He is survived by his wife, Shirley Blackburn; mother, Jane Blackburn; three sons, Greg Blackburn (wife, Jeniffer) and their children, Mikinzie and Madilyn; Brock Blackburn and his children, Hunter and Ivey; and Brandon Blackburn (wife Kendall); five brothers, Billy, Bobby, Don, Jimmy and Jeff Blackburn.

Paul was preceded in death by his father, Billy Blackburn.

Paul has touched many lives in Tallahassee, working with Drivers License, Leon County Tag Office and the Department of Highway Safety and Motor Vehicle, from which he retired in 2018.

He met, worked with and befriended many people over his 70 years that will miss him dearly. If you ever had the opportunity to meet Paul, you soon had a loyal friend or at least a gentleman that had helped you in your time of need or a time of pleasure. Paul was a gentle giant that you were not likely to ever

forget. He was known and respected for his integrity and loyalty to his coworkers and his customers. He will be tremendously missed by his loving family and his friends.

Paul was a member of Thomasville Road Baptist Church, 3131 Thomasville Road, in Tallahassee, Florida.

His service will be held there, at 2:00 PM, on Wednesday, July 6, 2022. The family will receive friends from 1:00 PM until 2:00 PM, an hour prior to the service. Interment will be at Tallahassee Memory Gardens in the Garden of Peace, at 4037 North Monroe Street immediately after the service.

Online condolences may be expressed at [www.abbeyfh.com](http://www.abbeyfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Tallahassee Memory Gardens

4037 North Monroe Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32303  
(850) 562-1518  
<https://www.abbeyfh.com/>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Thomasville Road Baptist Church  
3131 Thomasville Road  
Tallahassee, FL 32308

## Funeral Service

JUL 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

Thomasville Road Baptist Church  
3131 Thomasville Road  
Tallahassee, FL 32308

# Tribute Wall

BF

“ Prayers and God's Peace to family and friends



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**Beverly Ferrell** - July 09, 2022 at 07:57 AM

SS

“ Paul was a person who gave 110% to whatever endeavor he undertook. He had a true Christian heart and gave friendship and love unselfishly without reserve. It was a privilege to work with him for many years. Currently I have COVID and am on quarantine, but know that my thoughts and prayers are with you Shirley and family.



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**Selma Sauls** - July 07, 2022 at 06:11 PM

MB

“ I knew Paul and worked with his wife Shirley at highway safety, Paul was a friend to everybody and will be missed. Michael Boykin

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**Michael Boykin** - July 06, 2022 at 10:59 PM

BF

“ Paul was a Christian man of integrity who loved his wife Shirley and would do anything for his family. He knew the true meaning of sacrificial love as did Shirley and was an example for men to emulate as a godly husband, father, grandfather, and friend. I remember a visit with Paul during his recovery from hip surgery. We found several areas of common ground to discuss and really hit it off. Paul and I enjoyed our visits and as our friendship grew, I found him to be a man with a gentle nature and big heart. Paul was a gifted conversationalist and storyteller. His voice was soothing and put you at ease when he spoke. His calm demeanor had a way of drawing you into a story so you could not wait to hear the outcome. My contact with Paul grew less over the years but the bond we had in Christ never wavered. When Brother Jim Johnson and I visited him in the hospital last December, it was as if time had not separated us. We simply picked up where we left off. Paul knew he was saved, where he was going and that his life and whatever days he had left were in the Lord’s hands – the safest place they could be. After that day in December, The Lord gave Paul many more months with his family and friends before he was called home on July 2nd. My brother completed his race. Regardless of the days or years left in my life, I know, because of my belief in Jesus for the forgiveness of my sins, that when I get to heaven, Paul and I will pick up where we left off as if time had not separated us.

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**Bruce Ferris** - July 06, 2022 at 04:54 PM

NT

“ Paul was very kind and always friendly. It was an absolute honor to work with him and Shirley. We will be keeping Mrs. Shirley and family in our prayers 🙏

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**Nancy Thomas** - July 05, 2022 at 10:32 PM

CH

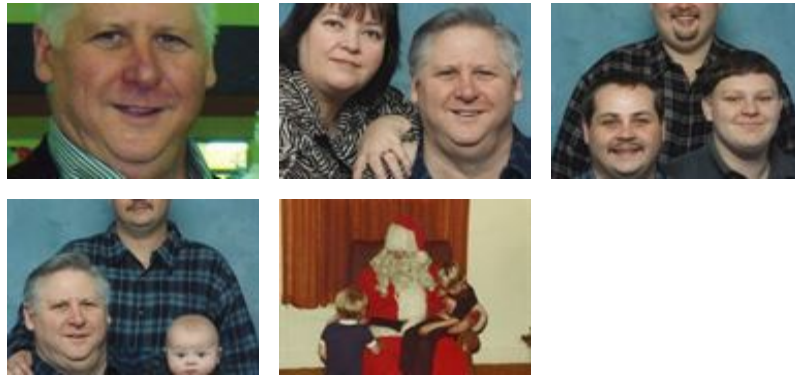
“ *Cassandra Harrell lit a candle in memory of Mr. Paul W. Blackburn*



Cassandra Harrell - July 05, 2022 at 04:30 PM



“ *41 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens - July 05, 2022 at 10:23 AM

AJ

*Ms. Shirley and Brandon So sorry to hear of the passing of Mr. Paul. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

Angie Jacobs - July 06, 2022 at 02:12 PM

GD

*Both Gene and I have wonderful memories of Paul from his high school days when he lived across the street from us on Cambridge Dr. We just read of his passing in the paper this afternoon and want his family to know that we would have come to his funeral had we known in time as he was very special to us then and now. He will be greatly missed by us and many others whose lives he touched. Our sincere condolences to the Blackburn family. Gene & Ginny Densmore*

Ginny Densmore - July 06, 2022 at 03:44 PM



*I am deeply saddened. What a great guy. He was so kind to everyone. My thoughts go out to Shirley and the rest of the family. Rest In Peace Paul.*

**Cheryl Zenoz** - July 06, 2022 at 07:00 PM

LV

*RIP sweet friend. I'm at SGI eating at BJ's and thought of you. Everything everyone has written about you, is so true. You, me and PJ had so much fun at Driver License, especially out at the truck stop doing the CDL thing. Thoughts and Prayers for Shirley, the boys and their families. What a great loss. Lisa*

**Lisa Vince** - August 01, 2023 at 02:17 PM

MJ

*“ Paul was a true public servant to the people of Florida. He truly cared about people and would always go above and beyond to help anyone. He loved his family and the Lord and I was privileged to have worked with him. Condolences to his family and may you find comfort in knowing he is with Jesus now.*

**Maureen Johnson** - July 04, 2022 at 08:55 PM

SL

*Paul was a special friend and a true gentleman. Always went above and beyond, with a smile. It was a privilege to work with him. Prayers for his family to heal and remember the good times.*

**sandra Lambert** - July 06, 2022 at 07:17 AM



*“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Mr. Paul W. Blackburn.*



July 03, 2022 at 09:58 AM