



## Mr. Rudolph Hurst

August 6, 1925 - February 16, 2024

Rudolph (Rudy) Hurst, 98, passed away on February 16, 2024, at his home in Tallahassee, FL, surrounded by his loved ones.

Rudy was born on August 6, 1925, in Tillman, Brevard County, FL. His parents were John Theophulis Hurst and Evie Beasley Hurst, both who preceded him in death. Rudy was a mechanic for many years at Spence Oldsmobile in Thomasville, GA, and a faithful member of the Lake Jackson Congregation of Jehovah's Witnesses. As a young man, he rode horses and roped cows in the wilds of north central Florida. He would often regale exciting adventures of those times. He never forgot those days and would often be seen wearing his cowboy hat and boots.

Rudy was married to Mary Bernice Atkinson for 64 years before her death on February 9, 2010.

On December 27, 2013, he married Jeanne Davis Bryant in Tallahassee, FL.

Besides his wife Jeanne, he is survived by his sister, Inell Harper, Baxley GA; sons: Randy Hurst (Debra) Sevierville, TN, and Bill Hurst (Marie) Quincy, FL; step-sons: Dean Bryant (Rachel), Chattanooga, TN, Stephen Bryant (Jenifer), Tallahassee, FL, and Matthew Bryant (Laurel), Tallahassee, FL.

Grandchildren: Nichole Willis (Garth) Sevierville, TN, Josh Hurst (Bri), Bend,

OR, Brandon Hurst, Quincy, FL; step-grandchildren: Chris Bryant (Lindsay) Chattanooga, TN, Isabelle Bryant, Tallahassee, FL, and Eli Bryant, Tallahassee, FL. Step-great granddaughter: Lucy Bryant, Chattanooga, TN, and a host of nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Besides his parents and first wife, he was preceded in death by his brothers, Johnny Hurst and Frank Hurst, and infant grandson, Jeremy Hurst.

Visitation is 1:00 PM, Thursday, February 22, 2024, at Abbey Funeral Home. Following the visitation, graveside service 2:00 PM at Tallahassee Memory Gardens, Garden of Peace. A memorial service will be at 2:00 PM Saturday, February 24, 2024, at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, 2461 Old Bainbridge Road, Tallahassee, FL.

Memorial donations may be made to Big Bend Hospice.

# Cemetery Details

## Tallahassee Memory Gardens

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 22. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Abbey Funeral Home  
4037 North Monroe Street  
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[abbeyfh@comcast.net](mailto:abbeyfh@comcast.net)

## Graveside Service

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