



Mr. Thomas Leroy Collins Sr.

July 22, 1938 - September 10, 2017

Thomas Leroy Collins, Sr. (Tommy), 79, of Tallahassee, Florida, passed away on September 10, 2017, following a short illness.

He was preceded in death by his father, LeRoy Collins and his mother Blanche Strickland Collins Halley.

He was born July 22, 1938, in Cairo Georgia. Tommy was a lifelong resident of Leon County and grew up on the Tall Timbers Plantation. He was one of the last students to attend the one-room Strickland Schoolhouse on County Road 12 before attending and graduating from Leon High School in 1956.

He served his country faithfully in the U.S. Navy. Following an honorable discharge, he began his career as a Fireman with the Tallahassee Fire Department. During his 25 years of service there, he rose to the rank of Lieutenant. He also owned and operated a successful concrete construction business.

Tommy was an active member of Beth Page United Methodist Church in Grady County, Georgia, and enjoyed giving of his time and energy to the upkeep and maintenance of this historic church. Spending time with his family and friends brought him the greatest joy. He also enjoyed hunting and was an avid net fisherman.

He is survived by his three children and spouses, Kathy Muehlemann (Chris), Thomas Collins, Jr. (Brenda), and Eddie Collins and their mother Arlie Council Holley; two sisters Mary Alice Collins Bolton (of Atlanta, Georgia) and Rebecca Collins Bishop (Al); seven grandchildren, Brian Williams, Kristin Williams, Sean Muehlemann, Logan Collins, Lauren Collins, Jason Gable and Summer Rockwell; five nieces and nephews, Lisa Bolton, Richey Bolton and Shanna Bolton (all of Atlanta, Georgia), Kenneth Knowles (Tara, of Douglas, Georgia) and Kristina Knowles Larson (Paul Morgan).

A Celebration of his life is planned for Saturday, September 23, 2017, at Abbey Funeral Home. The visitation will be at 1:00 p.m. followed by a brief memorial service at 2:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Beth Page United Methodist Church.

On-line condolences may be expressed at www.abbeyfh.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **23**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Abbey Funeral Home
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Service

SEP **23**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *Judith A. Johnson lit a candle in memory of Mr. Thomas Leroy Collins Sr.*



Judith A. Johnson - April 09, 2018 at 01:03 PM

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“ *My condolences on the passing of Mr. Tommy.
God Bless you all
I remember all the precious memories at Bethpage United Methodist Church at the Harrison Family Reunions
Peace be with you all*



*Edna Butler
Daughter of Tom and Romie Dean Harrison Butler
Granddaughter of Toy and Mattie Dean Harrison*

Edna Butler - September 22, 2017 at 01:06 PM

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*My blessings to family and friends. He will be missed.
Nita Marlene Davis
Daughter of Hugh C. Davis
Great granddaughter of Gillun Blunt Strickland*

Nita M Davis - October 13, 2017 at 02:24 AM



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Abbey Funeral Home and Tallahassee Memory Gardens - September 22, 2017 at 08:25 AM

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“ *To the Collins family
My thoughts love and prayers are all of you.
May God Bless you all
My sincere condolences to you all.
I will always have precious memories of the
gatherings at Beth Page United Methodist Church.*



peace be with you

*Edna Butler
Daughter of Tom and Romie Dean Harrison Butler
Granddaughter of Toy and Mattie Dean Harrison*

Edna Butler - September 21, 2017 at 12:11 AM