



Mr. Walter Thomas Rivers

October 16, 1945 - September 3, 2019

Walter Thomas Rivers, 73, of Tallahassee, passed away on Tuesday, September 3, 2019, while surrounded by his wife, daughter and sister, Joe Ann. His son-in-law, Joe, was there to care for Tom and these women.

The son of the late Thomas Howell and Ruby Durrance Rivers, he was born in Lakeland, Florida on October 16, 1945. He is also preceded in death by a sister, Janet Ryland; and a brother-in-law, Phillip Goff.

After his service in the United States Army, he worked in the mobile home industry and later went to work for and retired from Arvah B. Hopkins Power Plant as a lab tech. During his retirement, he loved to tinker with machines, especially tractors. His joyous pastime was loving his family, especially his grandchildren.

He is survived by his wife, Jennifer Carr Rivers; daughter, Jennifer Nicole "Nicky" Bigsby (husband Joe); grandchildren, Danielle Nicole Cox and Jason E. Rutland, Jr.; sisters, Mary Carolyn Pittman (husband, Bobby), Joe Ann Goff and Ruby Lee Dickey (husband, Julian). Also surviving are numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

The funeral is 11:00 AM, Monday, September 9, 2019, at Abbey Funeral Home, with visitation an hour prior to the funeral. Interment will follow at 1:00

PM at Tallahassee National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Children's Miracle Network. Online condolences may be expressed at www.abbeyfh.com.

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311
(850) 402-8941

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 9. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Abbey Funeral Home
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Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 562-1518
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Tribute Wall

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“ *A Donation of 50.00 to CMN Hospitals
UF Health Shands Children's Hospital
per the wishes of Walter Thomas Rivers
from Janie Likens, Kathryn and David DiGiovanni, and Marlene
Johnson.*

David & Kathryn DiGiovanni - September 09, 2019 at 03:20 PM

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“ *To the Rivers Family:*

*Was shocked to learn of Tom's passing. I
worked in another section of Hopkins Plant
but knew Tom. was a great guy. My
condolences and prayers to you all during this sad time. Another
vacancy in the Hopkins Power Plant family.*

Randy Brown

homer brown - September 06, 2019 at 01:47 AM



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“ *Sorry to hear about Tom a great loss to the family , Worked many
years in the lab together. Terry Kelley*

Terry Kelley - September 04, 2019 at 05:22 PM