



Autrey "Buddy" Charles Tompkins

February 4, 1934 - September 2, 2023

Autrey "Buddy" Charles Tompkins, 89, of Webster, Florida passed away on September 2, 2023, in Dade City, Florida. He was born on February 4, 1934, in Webster, Florida to Charlie and Helen Hayes Tompkins. He was a history teacher for Lacoochee Elementary School and was a successful florist who owned and operated his own business, Tompkins Florist, of Webster, Florida. Buddy loved spending time with his family. He loved traveling together with his family and visited many places around the world, such as Rome, Paris, Barcelona, and Puerto Rico. Buddy was a kind and loving person, and was always willing to help others in need. He volunteered his time to the Webster historical society and served for some time as the temporary city clerk of Webster. He was even given an award on Founder's Day for knowing so much about the history of Webster. Buddy's grandfather was one of the original founders of Webster, and even took part in naming the city. Buddy was known to and loved by many and will be missed dearly.

He is preceded in passing by his parents.

Those left to cherish his memory is his adopted son, Shannon Mercado; his granddaughter, Martina Rodriguez (Simon) of Webster, Florida; his grandson, Fil Pedraza-Mercado; his great granddaughter, Jessa-Maria; his cousins, Diana H. Brown and Linda L. Hayes of Clermont, Florida; his second cousins, Gavin S. Brown of Clermont, Florida, and Brandon D. Brown of Saint Augustine, Florida; and his lifelong friend, Cristy Olvera. A Graveside Service is arranged on Wednesday, September 6, 2023, at 10 AM at Garden of

Memories Cemetery of Webster, Florida where Pastor Emery King will be officiating. All friends and family are welcome. Arrangements are entrusted to Purcell Chapel of Beyers Funeral Home, Bushnell, Florida.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

SEP 6. 10:00 AM.

Garden Of Memories Cemetery Of Webster

Tribute Wall

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“ *Kathy Gentry & Darrell Elliott lit a candle in memory of Autrey "Buddy" Charles Tompkins*



Kathy Gentry & Darrell Elliott - September 06, 2023 at 07:50 AM

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Buddy was a fine man, with a kind heart. Wish he would have written a book- so much knowledge there. I truly loved him & he will be so missed. 💔💜🙏💜

Kathy Gentry & Darrell Elliott - September 06, 2023 at 07:52 AM