



Carl R. "Woody" Folker

July 7, 1940 - July 26, 2024

Carl R. (Woody) Folker, 84, of Leesburg, Florida, passed away peacefully in his home on July 26, 2024. Born on July 7, 1940, in Orlando, Florida. Woody was the youngest of 11 children born to Jesse James and Erie Boatwright Folker.

Woody is survived by his brother, Billy Folker, and his children, Sarah Skehan (Michael), Mary King (Gary), John Folker (Abbey), Jesse Folker (Christie), Andrew Folker (Jaelyn), Anna Stanage (Bryan), and Heather Salameh (Chris). His surviving grandchildren are Colton, Pierson, and Gavin Craine; Mariah O'Donell; Trevor MacKenzie; John-Michael; Christopher; Matthew and Abigail King; Grady and Briella Folker; Cody Folker; Lauren and Matthew Magnifico; Karson and Kooper Stanage; Charlee, Scotland; and Hendricks Salameh. Great-grandchildren: Asher O'Donell, Emsley, Kaydin, Robert, Addilynne, and Gatlin Craine.

Woody proudly served in the U.S. Army as a combat engineer during his early years. He embraced his faith in Jesus Christ after being born again of water and spirit in 1971. He often reflected on the prophetic scripture from Malachi 4:6, "And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children and the heart of the children to their fathers.". This scripture was a foreshadowing of what was to come through repentance, restoring God's children to Himself. It was this faith alone that allowed Woody to endure to the very end, holding onto the

promise that death had already been conquered by Christ.

A man of faith, family, and friendship, Woody was known for his generosity and his zest for life. He dedicated 50 years to electrical sales in the Central Florida area. Woody was an avid golfer, a discerning food critic, a rummy champion, proud FSU fan, and a corn hole enthusiast. Above all, he cherished time spent with his loved ones. To his grandchildren and great-grandchildren, he was affectionately known as PeePaw, Dad, and Grandad.

The family will hold a funeral service at 10:30 a.m. on July 31, 2024, at Beyers Funeral Home, 1123 W Main St., Leesburg, FL 34748. A graveside service will follow at 1:00 p.m. at Florida National Cemetery, 6502 SW 102nd Ave., Bushnell, FL 33513. Terry Folker will be the officiating clergy.

**In lieu of flowers the family requests donations be sent to Samaritan's Purse https://www.samaritanpurse.org/our-ministry/donate-online/?utm_source=Ggl&utm_medium=cpc&utm_campaign=m_YGHB-B24V&utm_content=DonateSiteLink&gad_source=1&gclid=Cj0KCQjwZK1BhDuARIsAAy2VzsJRI_bhibrc764c-ACVMJ6EaOaPjM4B-cYwsXjzJPJa767hr3l37EaAulWEALw_wcB

Arrangements entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home of Leesburg, Florida.

Cemetery Details

Florida National Cemetery

6502 SW 102nd Avenue
Bushnell, FL 33513

Previous Events

Funeral Service

JUL 31. 10:30 AM (ET)

Beyers Funeral Home & Crematory
1123 W Main St
Leesburg, FL 34748
(352) 787-4343

Graveside Service

JUL 31. 1:00 PM (ET)

Florida National Cemetery
6502 SW 102nd Avenue
Bushnell, FL 33513

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carl R. "Woody" Folker*



Beyers Funeral Home - July 29, 2024 at 12:39 PM

ST

“ *Always enjoyed working with Woody, he will be missed*

steve todd - August 24, 2024 at 08:35 AM

AB

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Andy Braun - July 30, 2024 at 09:26 PM

SS

“ *Sarah Skehan lit a candle in memory of Carl R. "Woody" Folker*



Sarah Skehan - July 30, 2024 at 11:45 AM

AF

“ *Abigail Folker lit a candle in memory of Carl R. "Woody" Folker*



Abigail Folker - July 29, 2024 at 07:48 PM

EM

“ *Ella Mae McIntosh lit a candle in memory of Carl R. "Woody" Folker*



Ella Mae McIntosh - July 29, 2024 at 08:24 AM

SH

“ *I had the privilege of working with Woody at Hughes Supply for a few years. He was my boss but what really played out was his Christian brotherhood. He was an example to me and an encourager. I remember once after knowing a particular struggle I was having with another coworker he called me into his office to tell me some good news...she quit! He was just as excited for me as I was. Woody was married to my husbands cousin and went to our church for some time.... our lives have been intertwined and Alex and I are blessed to have known him.*

Shelly holloway - July 27, 2024 at 06:40 PM

EM

Had the privilege to work with Woody at Besco and become friends. You touched a lot of lives my friend and you will be missed. Rest in Peace

Ed Makovitch

Ed Makovitch - July 27, 2024 at 07:33 PM

CS

*My very first "real" job was at Hughes Supply, Leesburg.
I was very blessed to have Woody as not only my boss, but also as a mentor to me.
Woody was tough, but always fair. When he started his own business, Leading Electric Supply, I went to work for him there.
I was excited to begin this new venture with him.
I will never forget all that he taught me.
His favorite name for me was "catbird".
You will be missed my friend.
Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your family for 20+ years.*

*Love,
Cheryl Spencer*

Cheryl Spencer - July 30, 2024 at 01:29 PM

AR

*Your faith has inspired me and for that I'm grateful. Rest in peace, my friend.
Andy Braun*

Andy raun - July 30, 2024 at 09:18 PM