



## Glen Alfred Mathews

May 9, 1926 - January 18, 2023

Glen A. Mathews passed away peacefully at the age of 96 on January 18, 2023, in Leesburg, FL. Glen was born in 1926 to the parents of Beatrice and Bartlette Mathews in Lady Lake, FL. Glen's family history included some of the first homesteaders in Lady Lake and surrounding areas. Glen was the oldest sibling to brothers Buddy and Donald. Glen was predeceased by his wife of 68 years, Lillie Mathews. Glen is survived by his daughter Mary Ann (John), grandsons Eric (Jamie) and Todd (Valencia), and great granddaughter Finley. Glen had a long career working on the railroad as a pile driver operator for Seaboard System Railroad, later to be renamed CSX. Glen is responsible for the building and refurbishing of numerous railroad bridges along with supporting train derailments in the Southeastern United States. Those who met Glen during his many years were often blessed with one, or many, of his railroad stories.

Upon retirement Glen could often be seen in his favorite overalls staying busy at home in Lady Lake. His wife, Lillie, kept him busy supporting the Lady Lake Garden Club making crafts and hauling her beautiful flowers out to the Lake County Fair. Glen was also active with his grandsons taking them camping and teaching them how to drive his old pickup. On the weekends Glen looked forward to hunting for treasures at local yard sales, accumulating quite the collection over the years.

Glen was a loving husband, the most caring father, the best granddaddy, lovable great granddaddy, reliable friend, accomplished professional, and

loved being a Florida Cracker. Glen will be missed by all, although, he outlived most at 96 years old. A service will be held at Beyers Funeral Home in Lady Lake, FL on Friday, January 27 at 11:00am. Following the service Glen will be laid to rest next to his wife, Lillie, at Shiloh Cemetery in Fruitland Park, FL.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 27. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Beyers Funeral Home & Crematory - Lady Lake  
134 N US Highway 441  
Lady Lake, FL 32159  
(352) 753-4444

## Memorial Service

JAN 27. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



**Jamie Hallowell** - January 27, 2023 at 11:09 PM

MH

“ *My Dad was the best Dad ever and will be sorely missed.*

**Mary Ann Hallowell** - January 27, 2023 at 06:54 AM

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“ *Sometimes in life God grants you a miracle. Sometimes you just don't know it until that miracle has moved on. Sometimes those miracles are Granddaddies. Sometimes I learned about socket wrenches and trucks, draglines and trains, and that a real man ain't always the loudest one in the room. Sometimes I go places or come across something that remind me of those fun memories camping, cooking kindergarten pancakes, fishing, and ridin around in the ol'pickup. Sometimes I wish that I was more like him. Sometimes I wish that I had gone to see him more near the end. Sometimes I'll be thinking about him.*

**Glen Eric Hallowell** - January 26, 2023 at 05:02 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Glen Alfred Mathews.*



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January 26, 2023 at 11:34 AM



“ *Always remember his railroad stories about the guys he worked with during the week away from home. He was always willing to help those he worked with any problem they had with the railroad putting them touch with union rep for the men. If they got a large settlement he always advised them to contact a financial adviser so they would be to save the money and have it available later in life. Not spending it all right after they got the settlement. He really cared about the people he worked with and tried to help them and advise wisely when he could*

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**John Hallowell** - January 21, 2023 at 05:50 PM