



## Harold Ray Vaughn

January 12, 1947 - June 22, 2017

Harold Ray Vaughn, 70, of Clermont, FL, passed away Thursday, June 22, 2017. He was born January 12, 1947 to Herschel and Ruth Vaughn in Jamestown, Tennessee. He was a U.S. Army veteran and had served in Vietnam. Mr. Vaughn spent 26 years working for the Florida Highway Patrol as a State Trooper, of which 12 years he was assigned to Sumter County. He enjoyed fishing and being outdoors. Most of all, he loved his family.

He is survived by his wife of 47 years; Dolores Vaughn; son: Richard (Heather) Vaughn of Jacksonville, FL; daughter: Valerie (Ryan) Jenkins, of Oviedo, FL; grandchildren: Connor, Jake and Savannah; brothers: Carl, Charles and Andy; sisters: Ruth, Sherry, Edna, Lori, Joan and Angela. He was preceded in death by his mother, Ruth Evans and brother, Raymond Vaughn.

### Visitation and Service

A service will be held on Friday, June 30, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. (with visitation from 12:00 to 1:00) at Purcell Chapel with Pastor Henry Ortiz officiating. Interment will follow at Florida National Cemetery at 2:30 with full military honors.

Arrangements entrusted to Purcell Funeral Home, Bushnell, Florida.

# Tribute Wall

FB

“ *To the best trooper I had the privilege of working with and an academy classmate. My wife Cindy and I enjoyed reuniting with Harold last year. You will be missed my friend. Rest in peace.*

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**Fred Behrens** - August 07, 2017 at 12:40 AM

WG

“ *Dear Dolores & Vaughn Family,  
My name is Winter. I wanted to give my condolences to you and your family for the loss of this dear one. The account found at John 11:39-44 brings me great comfort by what Jesus did for Lazarus. Christ promised to do the same for others at John :28-29. My prayer is that God gives you the same comfort by means of His Word and promises. I am sorry.*

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**Winter Gainey** - July 05, 2017 at 07:06 PM

LB

“ Harold was my eldest brother by 19 years. He was such a hard worker. Dedicare Son, Husband, Father and Brother. All around Loving and Caring guy. It warms my heart to read the other condolences that his fellow State Troopers and friends have written. He is the second brother that has passed away in the past few years. Raymond was just a couple of years younger than Harold. But they were extremely close. Harold was right beside Raymond when Raymond Passed away on Feb. 13th, 2007. And was right there when Our Mom Passed away August 18th 2007. He had so much strength in all he went through in Life and Vietnam and in Law Enforcement. I looked up to him. those who didn't know this Harold came from a Large family. And family meant the world to him. Though my heart is broken the memories of him will help me get through this difficult time. Knowing he is back together with Our MoM and Brother once again. R.I.P. Harold!!! Love ya Lori Jean. I am Proud to have had you for my brother.

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Lori Blair - July 03, 2017 at 09:08 PM

EC

“ Harold was a great friend and a well respected Trooper. We first met while attending the FHP academy in Tallahassee back in July of 1972. He was always upbeat and had a great sense of humor. We went our separate ways after graduation but I managed to meet up with him when I went to the Clearwater, Pinellas Park area to visit with my family and several friends who lived over there. I rode several shifts with him when he was unable to get off while I was over there, but the best times was when he was off and we got to go fishing. Those of us who got to know him will miss him but his family will miss him the most. My wife and I extend our deepest condolences and prayers to the entire family. God will give you the strength and comfort you will need to get through his passing.

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Ernest F. Chapman - June 29, 2017 at 10:18 PM

TS

“ Rest in Peace Uncle Harold, we will miss you so much.



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**Tia Swift** - June 29, 2017 at 11:14 AM

JT

“ I'm saddened to hear of "Roosters" passing. I always knew he had your back whenever you were working together. He loved his family dearly. He was a such a "hoot" at times especially when chasing armadillos on foot or on the Skyway Bridge fishing. We spent many times together while on patrol or having a cold one while fishing at the Wells Brother lakes. RIP my fellow trooper and friend. Trip

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**Jerry Triplett** - June 28, 2017 at 10:42 AM

JD

“ I worked with Harold from 1990 - 1995. He was a good trooper who always displayed integrity and character. He was a great mentor, partner, and friend. Harold was always upbeat and laughing and I enjoyed my time with him. He taught me many things about being a trooper and going home at the end of the shift. Thoughts and prayers to Harold's family and friends.

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**Jeff Dixon** - June 28, 2017 at 09:16 AM

RB

“ Harold was a great friend and class mate in the FHP Academy, he was the kind of guy that you could always count on for a laugh or a joke. He was a hard worker and a great family man too. Rest easy my friend I'll miss you.

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**Retired Trooper Tom Brazauskas** - June 27, 2017 at 09:41 AM

RS

“ Harold and Delores are friends of many years. I served in Troop C right out of the Academy, 1973. Harold was a fishing buddy. We would go fishing out on his boat. We would be catching fish and all at once others on boats would move closer to us. It would upset Rooster and he would start throwing lead fishing weights at the other boats. Needless to say, they would leave so we could fish. Harold and Delores was good to us. Inviting us and our kids over for a meals. Rest in Peace Our Friend.

*Delores and Family, we are sending our love and sympathy.  
Mike and Jo Ann*

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**Retired Trooper Mike and Jo Ann Strickland** - June 27, 2017 at 08:21 AM

LZ

“ I have many cherished memories of working with Harold. Harold, you will truly be missed. My deepest condolences to the family.

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**Leonard R. Zimmerer** - June 26, 2017 at 08:54 PM

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RP

“ Harold could give you a look that made you think that what ever he was going to talk to you about was going to be very serious. Then he would stick out his hand and shake hands with you and crack that smile he and a ask, " What are you so serious about", then I would say "I was serious because you looked serious", then he said "I always look serious". I said you know your full of it don't you. He said "Yeah, but don't tell anybody ok." Harold was a good shify partner and a great Man.  
Rick Peters

R.J. (Rick) Peters - June 26, 2017 at 07:11 PM

BL

“ Worked midnights with Harold back in the early eighties and enjoyed every minute of it. Learned so much as a rookie Trooper from him and remember always talking about going fishing! Prayers go out to his family...Rest in peace my friend.

Bob Lanese - June 26, 2017 at 06:18 PM

DY

“ Harold "Rooster" was a dedicated trooper and a friend. Rest in Peace my brother.

Don Young - June 26, 2017 at 05:23 PM

AJ

“ So sorry to hear this, Harold was a great Trooper and friend. I was a dispatcher when he worked in Brooksville. Prayers for his family.

Alma Judge - June 26, 2017 at 04:06 PM

SH

“ Rooster was a great trooper. Always enjoyed working with him. My condolences to his family.

Steve Hill - June 26, 2017 at 03:28 PM

FB

“ Rooster was a trooper's trooper. Old time school trooper. Great man, he will be missed by all that knew him. Prayers for his family and friends. Patrolling those streets of "GOLD".

Frank Burke - June 26, 2017 at 03:09 PM

BL

“ I worked Pinellas with Harold in the early eighties and as a new Trooper learned alot under his guidance. The last time I ran into Harold was in Sumpter on I75 as he performed spark plug wire removal on a suspects abandoned car that took off on foot from him into the woods. Laughingly he told me that the "@%###\$. won't be using this car if he doubles back on me when I go chase him down into those woods there Bob" Great man who will definitely be missed! RIP Harold....Prayers Bob Lanese

Bob Lanese - June 26, 2017 at 03:07 PM

GG

“ RIP Harold. You were a great man and Trooper to work with.

Gary Glover - June 26, 2017 at 03:04 PM

EF

“ *Harold trained me in Pinellas Park in 1980. I always looked up to Harold as a friend and mentor as a trooper. Sad to hear of his passing. My condolences to his family.*

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**Earl D Frazier** - June 26, 2017 at 02:40 PM