



Jack Riley Skipper

February 13, 1934 - February 16, 2018

Jack Riley Skipper, Sr., 84, of Oviedo, Florida, passed on Friday, February 16, 2018. He was born February 13, 1934 in Evergreen, Alabama to Robert and Mabel Skipper. He resided in Miami, Florida for 66 years. He served in the U.S. Coast Guard during the Korean War and was employed by Eastern Airlines.

He became a Miami-Dade County School teacher at 57 and received his Masters Degree in Special Education at 62. He was a devoted husband and father, a Scoutmaster, and an active church member at Gateway and University Baptist Church. He camped with his family across the country, learned the art of wood turning and always had a DIY project.

He is survived by his wife, Marcia Skipper of Oviedo, FL; children: Gail Skipper (Tom Parker) Columbia, SC; Jack R. Skipper, Jr. (Suzanne) Oviedo, FL; Bethany Skipper (Robin Johnson) Bushnell, FL; seven grandchildren: Benjamin Guyton, Paul Guyton, Dean Hendrick, Kyle Hendrick, Kaylen Hendrick, William Skipper, and Charlotte Skipper; brother: Robert "Bob" Skipper (Jenny), Spring Hill, FL, and an extended family of nieces and nephews. Visitation and Service The family will receive friends and family on Thursday, March 29, 2018 at 10:00am and a memorial service will follow at 11:00am at Purcell Chapel, 114 W Noble Ave, Bushnell, Florida. Interment will be at the Florida National Cemetery at 12:30pm with military honors provided

by U.S. Coast Guard Honor Guard.

In lieu of flowers, to honor Jack's lifelong love of learning and education, contributions may be made to Sumter Schools Enhancement Foundation, 2680 WC 476, Bushnell, Florida 33513, providing scholarships for Sumter County students to pursue higher education.

Arrangements entrusted to Purcell Funeral Home, Bushnell, Florida.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Dear Marcia and family,
We want to express our sympathy to you and your family in the loss of your dear Jack. He was a fine Christian man. We are so glad to have known him and your entire family. May God give you the strength you need during this difficult time. Miss you.*

Bob & Ann Graham - March 07, 2018 at 01:33 PM

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“ *Suzanne and Jack,
I was so sorry to see that Jack's Dad passed away. Although I didn't know him, he leaves behind an amazing family. Please accept my condolences and I hope your memories of this man who lived an extraordinary life help you through this difficult time.
Shaune Storch*

Shaune Storch - March 03, 2018 at 08:32 AM