



James k Buck

July 20, 1942 - March 1, 2022

James K. Buck of Leesburg, FL, passed away at the age of 79 on March 1, 2022. James was born July 20, 1942, in Montgomery, PA, but has been a Florida resident for most of his life.

He was a lifelong educator who never met a pun that he didn't think was funny. He spent forty years teaching high school students history and a little about life. As a history teacher he emphasized the importance of education while trying to exemplify his Christian faith however he was able.

James married his college sweetheart, Margaret Buck, to whom he was married to for almost 57 years. They raised their two children, Liesl Kranich and Kenneth Buck, in Venice, FL where he taught history at Venice High School for many years. He is survived by his wife, Margaret, his daughter, Liesl Kranich and her husband, Karl Kranich, his son Kenneth Buck and his wife, Kathryn Buck, and his five grandchildren, Anja Kranich, Miles, Noelle, Claire, and Juliette Buck.

James loved to travel, especially to historical sites, national parks and former battlefields. He could usually be found having any form of college sports on in the background while he read or reread a book (or napped) in his chair.

He was deeply committed to his church, First Baptist of Leesburg, and

especially loved participating in their choirs. He loved his Southern Gospel music and studying the scriptures. He would most want his lasting legacy to reflect his hope he found in his faith in Jesus Christ.

A memorial service and celebration of life will be held Monday, March 7, 2022, at 1:00 PM in the Chapel at First Baptist Church of Leesburg, 220 N. 13th Street, Leesburg, FL 34748.

Memorial donations may be made to the First Baptist Men's Center at the church address: 220 N. 13th St., Leesburg, FL 34748. Checks may be written to the CCC Men's Center with a notation on the memo line "Sponsorship".

Tribute Wall

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“ *He was the yardstick that I measured every teacher I ever had.*

John Meara - August 12, 2024 at 11:11 AM

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“ *We'll miss him, but we know we will see him again! Love you, Buck Family (much larger than what used to be '4 Bucks')!*

William Orser - April 13, 2022 at 05:02 PM

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“ *Uncle Buck was a monster (in a good way) in the water! He was unstoppable! We used to have wrestling matches. I especially remember when Ken would 'attack' his dad in the water. He would end up being dunked repeatedly and interminably by Uncle Buck. I could not understand how Ken could still be breathing and Uncle Buck would bring him out of the water and ask if he had had enough. Ken would always answer that he hadn't, so...back under the water for more torture! It was excruciatingly hilarious (because I was above the water...)!*

William Orser - April 13, 2022 at 04:59 PM