



## John Shelton

September 16, 1949 - January 24, 2024

John Shelton, 74, of Spring Hill, Florida passed away at home with his family present, on January 24, 2024. He was born in Peak land, TN on September 16, 1949 to Elbert Shelton and Polly Smith. He enjoyed coin collecting, driving trucks and was a fan of military documentaries and movies. John was a Viet Nam veteran and spent seven years serving his country. He is survived by his three daughters, Karen (Warren) Chase, Angela (Roy) Reaves, Christy (Peck) McBride,. He has 2 sons; John (Lisa) Shelton, Jr. James (Connie) Shelton. He had 13 Grandchildren and 14 Great Grandchildren. Additionally, his sister Lucille Propes, brothers Cotton Shelton, Mike Shelton and Virgil Shelton. He was predeceased by his parents, a daughter, Tammy Shelton, and a son John Ellerbe. A Graveside service will be held at the Garden of Memories in Webster on Saturday, February 17, 2024 at 12:0 0PM with Pastor Emory King Officiating. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to Hernando Pasco Hospice, 698 S Broad St, Brooksville, FL 34601. Condolences may be sent to the family at [www.purcellfuneralhome.com](http://www.purcellfuneralhome.com). Arrangements have been entrusted to Beyers Funeral Home- Purcell Chapel, Bushnell, Florida.

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

FEB 17. 12:00 PM (ET)

Garden of Memories  
SE 3rd Ave  
Webster, FL 33597

# Tribute Wall

HW

“ I am his grand daughter, Haylee Watkins. It breaks my heart that his wishes were not respected. He made it known that he wished to be buried next to my grandmother, and for his belongings to go to me and my brothers. He was not my family by blood, but he was there my whole life. He was funny, he was protective, and he loved his coffee. He took care of me and my brother's when my parents couldn't. I'll always remember his stories of Vietnam and how much he loved me, my mother, my brothers, and sandra, my grandmother. He was the only father figure I've ever had. Rest in peace papa. I love you heart and soul ❤️ The last thing you said to me was "Don't worry about me, you just take care of your baby" You were so selfless. You never wanted anyone to worry about you. I'll think of you every day.

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**Haylee Watkins** - December 06, 2024 at 09:15 PM

CM

“ I'm Catherine Moore, John Shelton was my father and he was with my mother for over 30 years she passed away November 2012. He also had 5 grandchildren that he was with their whole lives until the last few years. Their names are Justin Watkins, Haylee Watkins, Allen Watkins, Jacob Watkins, Annabelle Moore. and a great grandbaby Archie Watkins. My children were his life and his wishes were to always be buried beside my mother ( Sandra Watkins) in Fitzgerald, GA. She was his love for over 30 years. and he wanted his belongings to be split up between his 5 grandchildren that he was with until the last few years... The ones that he was with when he died had never been a part of his life until the last few years .they kept him away from us and didn't even let us know that he was sick. they didn't even tell us he passed away and they know how he felt about us and his grandchildren and they know he wanted to be buried beside his love Sandra Watkins in Fitzgerald, GA. Anyways Rest In peace dad and know that we love u. and wanted to give you what u wanted but they chose to keep you down there..... But know we will see you again... ❤️

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Catherine Moore - March 02, 2024 at 06:04 PM