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Nassie (Gene) Grantham passed away at his home in Tavares, FL on September 29, 2022, at the age of 80. He was born in Ocilla, GA to the late Oscar "Shorty" and Louise Grantham, on September 22, 1942. Gene is survived by his wife of 20 years, Gloria J. Grantham, his daughter Shannon (Paul) Martin, three grandchildren Tyler, Savannah and Ryder, and one great-grandchild Harmony, a sister Sherry (Jim) Griffith, and brother Mike (Insun), a childhood friend, Janet "Little Sis" Brantley, and several nieces and nephews. Gene is preceded in death by his daughter Lisa and son David (Heather), his mother Latrell, brothers Levy (Joyce), Oscar (Pat), and Jerry (Gretchen). Gene served in the US Army's 25th Infantry Division during the Vietnam War from 1964 to 1966. He was a helicopter gunner and trained as a sniper. Gene never met a stranger, loved playing practical jokes, and always had a kind word. He was an avid fisherman, story teller, and proudly served his community with many benefit barbeques. He was always there to lend a helping hand. He was an extraordinary man who loved his family, many friends and wonderful neighbors. He will be greatly missed.

Visitation will be on Friday October 7, 2022 at 10 am, and his Celebration of Life at 11 am, at the First Baptist Church of Umatilla. Interment will be held at Pine Forrest Cemetery in Mount Dora, FL.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the First Baptist Church of Umatilla's building fund.

Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory, Umatilla entrusted with the arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

Beyers Funeral Home and Crematory - Umatilla
279 South Central Avenue
Umatilla, FL 32784
(352) 669-2146

Celebration of Life

OCT 7. 11:00 AM.

First Baptist Church Of Umatilla

Tribute Wall

ES

“ Gene and my father were in Vietnam together and started a friendship that lasted their entire lives. I was blessed that I got to call Gene a great friend also. RIP Old Friend.

Ed Samples - December 10, 2022 at 01:25 PM

GP

“ Gene was a Super Guy. He made some of the best Bar B Cue Sauce I've ever had the privilege to taste. RIP ole friend.

Gordon Peshek - October 08, 2022 at 08:28 AM

BW

“ Gene was a great neighbor always out in the garage or mowing the lawn. He always had time to talk and tell you a story. We will greatly be missed

Bryan \$ Denise Waterhouse - October 07, 2022 at 08:45 AM

WG

“ Every time I asked Mr. Grantham how he was doing; I got the same answer no matter how bad the day was going. "Finer than a frog's hair split two ways"

Wade Gronlund - October 05, 2022 at 10:35 AM