



Raleigh Joe Goddard

August 5, 1947 - May 3, 2022

Raleigh Joe Goddard, 74, of Leesburg, passed away after a brief illness on May 3, 2022.

Left to cherish his memory are his wife of 50 years, Rita, their daughter Corey and grandsons Donaven, Keith and Eric. He is also survived by his mother, Jeanette A. Merritt, brothers Elvis Goddard (Tammy) of Tampa and Michael Merritt (MaryAnne) of Belleview and sister Tina Goddard of Leesburg along with nephews Clay Goddard, Clif Goddard, Clete Goddard and Chris Merritt. Raleigh Joe is predeceased by his father, Raleigh E. Goddard Jr., his son, Casey Abram Goddard and his grandson, Arean J. Joyner.

Raleigh Joe was born August 5, 1947 in Leesburg. He was employed as a Sales Rep at Hughes Supply in Leesburg and Tampa for many years and also was a sales manager at Cecil Clark Chevrolet in Leesburg. Raleigh Joe was an avid sportsman and loved the outdoors. His favorite activities besides entertaining his grandsons included hunting, fishing, golfing and softball with the Leesburg Merchants team. He had a ready smile for everyone he met and treasured all of his lifelong friends and his family.

There will be a Celebration of his Life on Saturday, May 14, 2022, at 12:00 pm noon at Beyers Funeral Chapel at 1123 W. Main Street in Leesburg. A visitation for family and friends will be on Friday, May 13, 2022, from 6:00 to

8:00 PM.

Cemetery Details

Loan Oak Cemetery

306 Thomas Avenue
LEESBURG, FL 34748

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 13. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Beyers Funeral Home & Crematory - Leesburg
1123 W Main St
Leesburg, FL 34748
(352) 787-4343

Service

MAY 14. 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Raleigh Joe Goddard*



Beyers Funeral Home - May 13, 2022 at 07:43 AM

SS

“ *I was a classmate of Raleigh Joe in Leesburg. He was always smiling and he was a real sweetheart to everyone. The world has lost a terrific friend. My condolences to his family.*

Sharon Smith-Gamble - June 01, 2022 at 01:37 PM

KE

“ *I am so very saddened to hear of Raleigh Jo's passing. I have known him since I was a small child. Such a wonderful man, always a smile on his face & so jolly. May God give you peace and comfort during this difficult time. Prayers lifted for your family. Love, Kathy (Gentry) & Darrell Elliott*

Kathy & Darrell Elliott - May 15, 2022 at 03:21 PM

SK

“ *He was one of a kind -- so smart, so athletic, and a wonderful personality. I have memories of him from SSHS that I cherish.*

Steve Kimbrough - May 14, 2022 at 10:21 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Raleigh Joe Goddard.*



May 13, 2022 at 01:50 PM



“ *Skeeter and Debbie Bailey and Family purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Raleigh Joe Goddard.*



Skeeter and Debbie Bailey and Family - May 12, 2022 at 05:35 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Raleigh Joe Goddard.*



May 12, 2022 at 02:50 PM



“ *When I think of Raleigh Joe smiles come to mind. And just the word nice. I know this is a great loss. I am sorry.*

Susan Nielsen - May 07, 2022 at 08:57 AM