



Samuel Thomas Lee

November 19, 1943 - February 1, 2022

Samuel Thomas Lee, 79, died unexpectedly on February 1, 2022, at Adventhealth Waterman Hospital, in Tavares, Florida. He born November 19, 1943, in Wauchula, Florida, the son of Samuel Buel Lee, and Julia Odell Platt Lee.

Sam graduated from Hardee High School. Following graduation he served in the United States Marine Corps. After marrying Velma Leona Lee, Sam worked as a lineman for Withlacoochee Electric Company. He then began a career with the Florida Department of Correction, from which he retired from at the rank of Lieutenant. During his career with F.D.C., he was active in the organization, Florida Peace Officer's association.

He was predeceased by his mother and father. Surviving, in addition to his wife, Leona Lee, are his daughters, Rhonda Jo Rodgers and Julia Christine McArdke; Step-daughter, Sherry Turner; Step-son, Paul Conner; 13 Grandchildren, 19 Great-grandchildren; and 4 Great-great-grandchildren.