



Virgil E. Bliss

June 25, 1934 - April 27, 2024

Virgil E. Bliss, aged 89, peacefully passed away at home on Saturday, April 27, 2024. Born in Iola, Kansas on June 25, 1934, Virgil moved to Immokalee, Florida in 1958, where he met the love of his life, Gayle O. McPhail. They were married on February 21, 1959 and moved to Mascotte Florida where he began his career as a Lineman at SECO in Groveland, Florida. In 1971, he moved his family to Bushnell and worked at SECO in Sumterville until he retired in 1999 after 40 years of service.

Virgil enjoyed watching the Western Channel, NASCAR Racing, any football games, "The Curse of Oak Island" TV show, and especially the Florida State Seminoles.

Virgil was preceded in death by Gayle, his wife of 30 years, his daughter, Shawn Espinola, his son-in-law, Rommel Espinola, his father and mother, John and Grace Bliss. He is survived by his daughters, Tamara (Mark) Hall, and Carla (Joey) Brown, grandchildren, Dustin (Dolores) Kirby, Hannah Brown, and Cullen Espinola, great-grandchildren, Silas Kirby, and Saya Kirby, as well as many loving family and friends who live out of state.

The Family would like to thank the HPH Hospice for the care that he received while in their care.

Virgil's Service will be held on Saturday, May 18th at Purcell Funeral Home

114 W Noble Ave, Bushnell, FL 33513. Visitation begins at 10 am with the Celebration of Life at 11 am. Virgil will be laid to rest at the Evergreen Cemetery in Bushnell, FL.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 18. 10:00 AM (ET)

Beyers Funeral Home & Crematory - Purcell Chapel
114 W Noble Ave
Bushnell, FL 33513
(352) 793-4531

Celebration of Life

MAY 18. 11:00 AM.

Purcell Funeral Home

Tribute Wall



“ *Beyers Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Virgil E. Bliss*



Beyers Funeral Home - May 13, 2024 at 04:19 PM

RB

You will truly be missed. Always in our heart...Seminole!!!

Renee Broome - May 15, 2024 at 12:36 AM

VK

We 'll miss you Mr.Seminole. Many Nole memories of the greatest FSU fan.

Valerie King - May 15, 2024 at 07:47 PM

DB

Beautiful tribute!

Debbie Bates - May 18, 2024 at 06:32 AM

AB

“ *My deepest sympathy Tammy, Carla and family. May you be at peace knowing your Daddy is resting in the arms of the Lord. Love, hugs, and prayers. Annie Martin Brown Bonnett*

Annie Martin Brown Bonnett - June 11, 2024 at 07:57 AM

TH

Thank you so much Annie for the kind words. We miss Daddy and Loved him so much. And I do have peace knowing that Daddy is resting in the Arms of God.

Tammy Hall - September 28, 2024 at 02:54 PM

JM

“ *Jim and Katrina McCoy purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Virgil E. Bliss.*



Jim and Katrina McCoy - May 14, 2024 at 09:17 PM

JM

“ *Jim and Katrina McCoy planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virgil E. Bliss.*

Jim and Katrina McCoy - May 14, 2024 at 09:17 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Virgil E. Bliss.*



May 13, 2024 at 04:14 PM

LS

“ *Lambert's Cable Splicing planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Virgil E. Bliss.*

Lambert's Cable Splicing - May 13, 2024 at 04:14 PM

JA

“ Praying for God's comfort for the family during this difficult time of loss. It was a blessing for me to get to know Mr. Virgil during my visits. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of your journey.
Chaplain Joe, "Phil. 1:3"

Joe Alain - May 08, 2024 at 11:22 AM

TD

Thank You so much Chaplain Joe. Those words mean so much with our Family. Daddy really enjoyed your visits with him and I enjoyed them as well. We appreciate everything you did for Daddy. Your prayers were so uplifting to Daddy and I.

Tamara Hall- Daughter - May 13, 2024 at 09:07 AM