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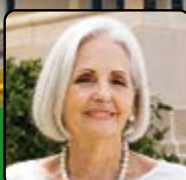
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|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Ace Hardware                     | DeSoto Memorial Hospital              |
| Anna's Restaurant                | Dollar General (near Northside Shell) |
| Arcadia Discount Liquor          | Family Care Medical Center            |
| Arcadia Do-It-Best Hardware      | Ft. Ogden Post Office                 |
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| Arcadia Municipal Golf Course    | K & J Homegrown Produce               |
| Arcadia Post Office              | Marathon                              |
| Arcadia Village                  | MyShelly's Kitchen                    |
| Before & After Hair Salon        | Nocatee Post Office                   |
| Big Tree RV Resort               | Oak Street Deli                       |
| Champs                           | Publix                                |
| Circle K (Nocatee)               | Publix Liquor                         |
| Circle K (North)                 | RMZRealty                             |
| City of Arcadia                  | Speedway                              |
| Collins Realty                   | Toby's RV Resort                      |
| Country Café                     | Walgreens                             |
| Crews Bank & Trust               | Wheeler's                             |
| DaVita Dialysis Center           | Wood Park Pointe                      |
| DeSoto County Annex              | Yellow Deli                           |
| DeSoto County Library            |                                       |
| DeSoto County Property Appraiser |                                       |
| DeSoto County Tax Office         |                                       |

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## JUNE 23, 2026

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## Peace River SHOPPER

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223 E. OAK ST. STE. 1B, ARCADIA, FL 34266

**COMMERCIAL GENERAL** is the zoning for these 12 LOTS that equal 1.88 acres. They are located on Carlstrom Field Road just a stone's throw from the Hwy 70 East business area. There are 8 lots facing the road and 4 lots behind so there is plenty of building depth and width. The uses for Commercial are many and varied. Seller has all 12 listed as a package. For information on what building or commercial venture you have in mind, Contact DeSoto County building Dept. This property will require a well and septic as no public utilities are available at this time.



**20 ACRES** and a 3/2 home are available in this listing. The land is zoned Ag and was previously a blueberry farm. There is a pond near the back and a very large metal pole barn as well as a couple more sheds/buildings. The property is partially fenced and is gated. The Mobile home has a new roof and AC. Inside is a living room, dining area, very spacious kitchen, large primary BR with private bath. There is an indoor laundry area, a screened in back porch and smaller porch on the front. This home is very spacious as is the 20 acres. This is well worth a conversation.



**LET'S TALK! ASKING \$350,000! MLS#C7515555**

**ASKING \$695,000! MLS#C7514180**



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**CHANZA, LISSA NOELL:**  
Failure To Appear - Written  
Promise To Appear; Out-of-  
County Warrant - Out-of-  
County Warrant

**DIXON CAMPBELL, NEILY  
YELENA:**  
Battery - Commit Domestic  
Battery By Strangulation

**FEWOX, JOHN PAUL:**  
Drugs-Possess - Possess  
Controlled Substance W/O  
Prescription

**FREAD III, HAROLD  
LORENZO:**  
Battery - Touch Or Strike

**GILCHRIST, IMAMU  
TERRYATTA:**  
Drug Equip-Possess - Drug  
Equip-Possess: And Or Use  
(x2); Drugs-Sell - Sell Ctrl  
Substance SCHOOL/PARK  
Schedule I (x2); Public Order  
Crimes - Use 2 Way Comm  
Device To Facil Felony

**GONZALEZ-FUENTES,  
MARYO ALCIDES:**  
Battery - Cause Bodily Harm

**KENNEY, SABRINA  
LYNCH:**  
Trespassing - Trespass Fail  
To Leave Prop On Order Of  
Owner

**MARTIN, ERIN JAMAAL:**  
Simple Asslt - Intent Threat  
To Do Violence

**MCDANIEL, MATTHEW  
BLAISE:**  
Out-of-County Warrant -  
Out-of-County Warrant

**MENENDEZ, JOSIEL  
ADEL:**  
Obscene Material-Possess -  
Poss Control View Depiction  
Child Pornography (x2)

**MERCADO-MEZA,  
MARCO ANTONIO:**  
DUI-Unlaw Bld Alch - DUI  
Influence Of Alcohol Or  
Drugs; Moving Traffic Viol -  
Operate Motor Vehicle W/O  
Valid LIC 1st Conv

**MORGAN, ROYCELYNN  
MARIE:**  
Cocaine-Traffic - 28 Grams  
Less Than 150 Kg Cocaine  
Or Mixture; Drugs-Possess  
- Cntrl Sub Wo Prescription;  
Failure To Appear - Written  
Promise To Appear (x3);  
Smuggle Contraband  
Into Prison - Control Subs  
Defined Provisions Of  
s.893.02(4)

**PAUL, SAINTANO:**  
Moving Traffic Viol - Driv  
While LIC Suspend  
Revocation Equiv Status

**PEREZ-LOPEZ, CARLOS:**  
Aggrav Asslt - Weapon - W  
Deadly Weapon Without  
Intent To Kill; Battery -  
Cause Bodily Harm; Kidnap-  
False Imprisonment - False  
Imprisonment Of Person;  
Resist Officer - Obstruct Wo  
Violence

**PILOZO-MORENO,  
EDINSON JOEL:**  
Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid LIC  
1st Conv

**PRITCHETT, LEVI:**  
Battery - Touch Or Strike

**PULIDO, MARISOL:**  
Battery - Touch Or Strike;  
Resist Officer - Obstruct Wo  
Violence

**RAMIREZ-MORAN,  
GERARDO:**  
Battery - Commit Domestic  
Battery By Strangulation

**RECINOS-PEREZ, JOSE  
LUIS:**  
Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid LIC  
1st Conv

**REYES, ANA LAURA:**  
Battery - Touch Or Strike;  
Cruelty Toward Child -  
Abuse Child Without Great  
Bodily Harm

**ROAN II, JOHN ERIC:**  
Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid LIC  
1st Conv

**RODRIGUEZ-COLORADO,  
MARIA DELFINA:**  
DUI-Unlaw Bld Alch - DUI  
Damage To Property Or  
Person Of Another; Moving  
Traffic Viol - Operate Motor  
Vehicle W/O Valid LIC 1st  
Conv

**RUSH, HEATHER ANN:**  
DUI-Unlaw Bld Alch - DUI  
Damage To Property Or  
Person Of Another

**SANTANA-MUNOZ,  
PILAR:**  
House For Other Agency

**SEVAST, REBECCA  
DARLENE:**  
Failure To Appear - Written  
Promise To Appear

**WASHINGTON-HYDE,  
CHARMETRA RENEE:**  
Moving Traffic Viol - Driv  
While LIC Suspend  
Revocation Equiv Status

**WILLIAMS, NAQUARON  
LANIGIL:**  
Moving Traffic Viol - Operate  
Motor Vehicle W/O Valid LIC  
1st Conv



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# JOIN US FOR OPEN HOUSES THIS WEEKEND!

SATURDAY JUNE 27 | 1PM-3PM  
HOSTED BY MIRIAM HERNANDEZ -MATIAS



*8846 SW Liverpool Rd*  
**ARCADIA, FL 34269**

SUNDAY JUNE 28 | 12PM-2PM  
HOSTED BY JESSICA VINSON



*5587 SW Highway 17*  
**ARCADIA, FL 34266**



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**CLASSIFIED ADS DEADLINE:**  
Every Thursday, 5pm

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## 1. CARS & VEHICLES

ATVs  
Bikes  
Boats  
Cars

Golf Carts  
Motorcycles  
Motorhomes  
Campers/RV  
Scooter  
SUV

Travel Trailers  
Trailers  
Trucks  
Vans

Parts & Accessories

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## 2. MERCHANDISE

Antiques & Collectibles  
Appliances  
Computers & Electronics  
Clothing-Adult  
Clothing-Children  
Exercise Equipment  
Guns & Ammo  
Farm Equipment  
Furniture  
Hunting & Fishing  
Lawn & Garden  
Medical Equipment  
Miscellaneous  
Music Items  
Produce  
Sewing & Crafts  
Sports Equipment  
Tools & Building Materials

20

## 3. FARM & LIVESTOCK

Livestock for Sale  
Feed & Supplies  
FREE Livestock

20

## 4. PETS

Pets for Sale  
Free Pets  
Lost and Found  
Pet Supplies

20

## 5. JOBS

Employment  
Help Wanted  
Looking for Job

22

## 6. REAL ESTATE

Commercial  
Home for Sale  
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Mobile Homes for Sale

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Apt & Condo Rentals  
Home Rental  
Mobile Home Rentals  
Office Space  
Rooms for Rent  
Vacation Rentals  
Lots for Rent

24

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Business Services  
Boat Repair & Maint.  
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Lessons  
Transportation  
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## 9. WANTED

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Merchandise  
Livestock  
Pets  
Real Estate  
Rentals  
Services

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## 10. COMMUNITY

Auctions  
Meetings  
Lost & Found  
Yard Sales



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**SOLD**



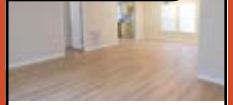
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**FOR RENT**



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**VACANT LOT**



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**Minnie L. Brown Center | 100 S Orange Ave.**  
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**Heron Cove | 2019 SE Heron Cove**  
 Meal pickup: 12:15-1 p.m. | Mondays (June 1-July 31)

**DeSoto Public Library | 125 N Hillsborough Ave.**  
 Lunch: 12-12:45 p.m. | Monday-Thursday (June 8-July 30)

**Casa San Juan Bosco | 2274 SE Arnold Andrews Ave.**  
 Breakfast: 9-9:30 a.m. | Lunch: 12:30-1:15 p.m. | Monday-Thursday (June 8-July 23)

**West Elementary School | 304 W Imogene St.**  
 Breakfast: 7:15-8:30 a.m. | Lunch: 11 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.  
 Monday-Thursday (June 1-July 30)

**Food pantries:**

**Memorial Elementary School | 851 E Hickory St.**  
 Entrance off of N Luther Ave. (bus loop) | 2-3 p.m. | Wednesdays (June 3-July 29)

**DeSoto Food and Resource Center (for all ages) | 1021 E Oak St.**  
 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. | Monday-Wednesday | 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. | Thursdays  
 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. | Fridays

**DeSoto YMCA - Speer Recreation Center | 185 W Winifred St.**  
 4-6 p.m. | Wednesdays (June 3-Aug. 5)

**Nocatee Elementary School | 4846 SW Shores Ave.**  
 2-3 p.m. | Thursdays (June 4-July 30)



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**CARS**

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**TRAILERS**

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## DESOTO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT MEETING NOTICE

TO BE HELD ON:

**Thursday, June 25, 2026**

At 5:30pm in the  
McSwain Room of  
DeSoto Memorial Hospital

### PUBLIC NOTICE

DESOTO COUNTY HOSPITAL DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS (DCHD)

A public hearing will be held on Thursday, June 25th in order for the public to be heard on the proposed lease of the hospital to Tampa General Hospital DeSoto, LLC, an affiliate of Tampa General Hospital.

The proposed Agreement to Lease and Transfer and the proposed Lease itself may be viewed on the DMH.org website under Public Information;  
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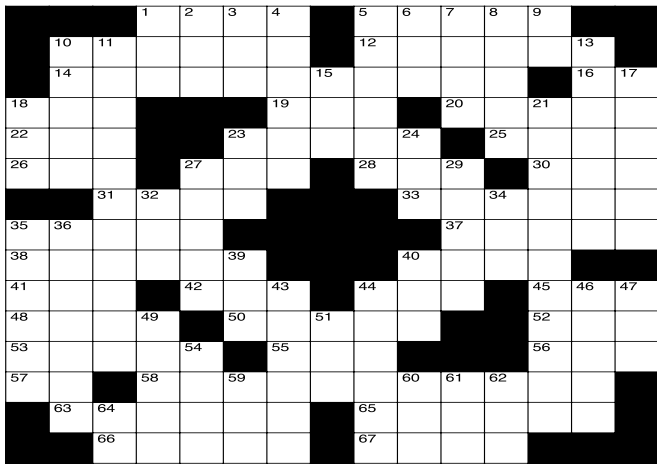
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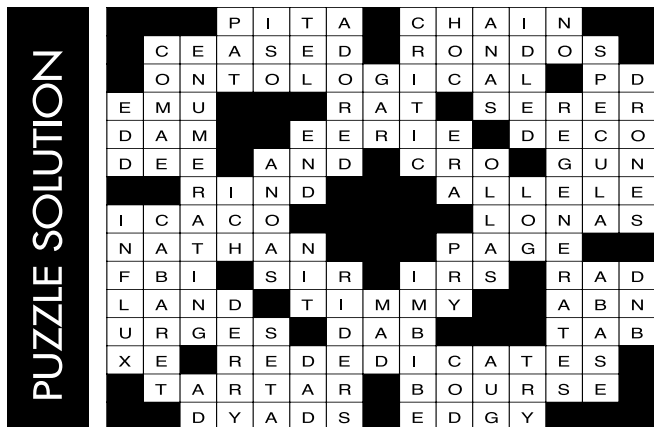


**CLUES ACROSS**

- 1. Type of bread
- 5. Range of mountains
- 10. Ended
- 12. Musical forms with a recurring theme
- 14. On the nature of being
- 16. Law enforcement agency
- 18. Australian flightless bird
- 19. Subway rodent
- 20. More dried-up
- 22. A beaver might build one
- 23. Suggestive of the supernatural
- 25. Art \_\_, around 1920
- 26. American rocker Snider
- 27. Not or
- 28. Earliest human: \_\_-Magnon Man
- 30. Firearm
- 31. Tough outer skin of fruit
- 33. Alternative form of a gene
- 35. Low shrub some call "fat pork"
- 37. Plants in the chamomile tribe
- 38. Revolutionary War era spy
- 40. Portion of a book
- 41. Hoover's office
- 42. Title of respect
- 44. Tax collector
- 45. Cool!
- 48. Real estate
- 50. Boy's name
- 52. Airborne (abbr.)
- 53. Strongly recommends
- 55. Hit lightly
- 56. Bar bill
- 57. Atomic #54
- 58. Devotes again
- 63. Fish sauce
- 65. French stock market
- 66. Things that consist of two elements or parts
- 67. Tense

**CLUES DOWN**

- 1. Retired game show host Sajak
- 2. Equal (prefix)
- 3. Israeli city \_\_ Aviv
- 4. Loved
- 5. A type of analyst
- 6. Ad \_\_
- 7. Gasteyer and de Armas are two
- 8. Ran without moving
- 9. Opposite of yes
- 10. Diffuse clouds of gas
- 11. Mentioning one by one
- 13. Instruments used to dilate
- 15. Freshwater fish
- 17. Remotely-manned flying objects
- 18. Doctor of Education
- 21. Renews
- 23. Not the start
- 24. Pitching stat
- 27. Small water buffaloes
- 29. Ceramic jars
- 32. I (German)
- 34. Something to toss on a fire
- 35. The process of flowing in
- 36. A series of acts at a night club
- 39. Egg of a louse
- 40. Inquire too closely
- 43. Travelers
- 44. Drink
- 46. Behave in a way that degrades
- 47. Electronic music style
- 49. Northern Ireland city
- 51. Upset
- 54. Stiff structure resembling a hair
- 59. Father
- 60. North Atlantic fish
- 61. 8th month (abbr.)
- 62. Make an effort
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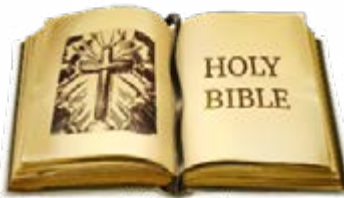
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Betty Jean Albritton Grady, known lovingly to family, friends, and generations of Arcadia residents as “Bingo,” passed away peacefully on June 15, 2026 at the age of 99, leaving behind a legacy of faith, service, family, and flowers that will continue to bloom in the hearts of those who loved her.

Born on May 9, 1927, in Limestone, Florida, to Elam and Myrtle Albritton, Betty was a proud daughter of Old Florida. She grew up in the close-knit farming community she always held dear, carrying with her the values of hard work, humility, faith, and devotion to family that would guide her throughout her remarkable ninety-nine years. Betty graduated with the DeSoto County High School Class of 1945, where she proudly represented the Bulldogs as a member of the varsity basketball team. The friendships, community spirit, and hometown pride she developed during those years remained with her throughout her life. She remained deeply rooted in the community she called home for nearly a century.

As a young woman, Betty married the love of her life, Fred Jackson Grady. Together they built a life centered on faith, family, and service to others. Though Fred preceded her in death, theirs was a love story that endured through the decades and remained one of the defining blessings of Betty’s life.

Betty began her career at the Arcadia Chemical Company before finding what would become her, and Fred’s, life’s work as co-owners of Roberts-Grady Funeral Home. For more than forty years, she served families throughout DeSoto County during some of their most difficult moments. Her compassion, kindness, and steady presence brought comfort to countless families, and her work became a testament to her servant’s heart and deep love for her community.

Faith was the cornerstone of Betty’s life. She was raised in Limestone Baptist Church and later became a devoted member of Trinity United Methodist Church in Arcadia. There she faithfully served as District Sunday School Superintendent for twenty-one years, was an active member of the Methodist Women’s Guild, and sang in the church choir for more than forty years. Trinity was far more than a church home; it was an extension of her family and a place where she joyfully shared her gifts, leadership, and unwavering faith.

While Betty was devoted to her family, church, and community, perhaps nowhere was her heart more visible than in the life she built alongside Fred. Together they operated the Wagon Wheel Ranch, a place that brought Betty immense pride and countless cherished memories. She loved ranch life and took great joy in raising beautiful Florida Cracker cattle. The ranch reflected the values she treasured most: hard work, stewardship of the land, and a deep appreciation for the simple beauty of country living.

Betty also possessed a remarkable gift for nurturing things and bringing beauty into the world. Her gardens were known throughout the community, especially her beloved roses and lilies. The lilies held special significance, having originated from her mother Myrtle’s garden in Limestone and continuing to bloom through generations of careful tending. Her famous staghorn fern, which grew to the size of a tractor, became legendary among family, friends, and visitors alike.

One of Betty’s greatest joys was sharing her flowers with others. More than fifty years ago, Fred built the wooden cross that remains a cherished part of Trinity United Methodist Church’s Easter celebration. Each year, Betty carefully selected the finest blooms from her garden to adorn the cross, ensuring it reflected the beauty and hope of Easter morning.

Betty’s capacity for love extended far beyond people. Throughout her ninety-nine years, she shared her home and heart with a beloved succession of dachshunds, each one treated as a treasured member of the family. There was rarely a time in her life when a faithful dachshund was not nearby. Her final and most precious companion, Lil Buddy, remained devotedly by her side through the later chapters of her life and brought her immeasurable comfort and companionship.

In what now feels like a fitting and beautiful farewell, Betty’s final journey away from her home took place this past Easter. Surrounded by family, she visited Trinity United Methodist Church to see her roses displayed upon the Easter cross that Fred had built more than fifty years ago. Afterwards, she traveled to Oak Ridge Cemetery to visit her beloved Fred.

Looking back, it seems only fitting that her final outing would be spent among the things she loved most: her flowers, her church, and the man with whom she shared a lifetime of love.

Betty is survived by her son, Frederick John Grady, and daughter-in-law, Lisa Grady; her granddaughter, Kacy Skylar Grady-Heinz and husband Kevin Heinz; her grandsons, John Keaton Grady and Heath Frederick Grady (and partner Cydney Clark); and her cherished great-granddaughter, Charlotte “Charlie” Jean Heinz.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Fred Jackson Grady; her parents, Elam and Myrtle Albritton; and her brother, John Albritton.

Though Betty’s earthly garden has been laid to rest, the seeds she planted through her faith, kindness, service, and love continue to flourish in the lives she touched. For ninety-nine years she embodied the spirit of Old Florida—steadfast in her faith, devoted to her family, generous to her community, and happiest with her hands in the soil.

Her family finds comfort in knowing she is once again reunited with her beloved Fred. And somewhere beyond this life, her roses are blooming, the choir is singing, Lil Buddy is at her feet, and she is finally home.

The family extends their heartfelt gratitude to the many friends, neighbors, church members, and community members whose prayers, love, and support have meant so much during this time.

Betty had a lifelong love of flowers and cherished the relationships she built with the local florists in town. In honor of her wishes, her family has chosen Valley Florist (formerly Holzendorff’s) to provide the flowers for her service.



# OBITUARIES

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## Cherie A. Hollingsworth



Cherie A. Hollingsworth, 80, of Arcadia, Florida, passed away peacefully at Hampton Manor of Punta Gorda on Tuesday, June 2, following a prolonged illness.

Cherie was born in Chicago, Illinois, on October 9, 1945, and moved with her family to Sarasota, Florida, in July 1959.

She graduated from Sarasota Riverview High School in 1963 and went on to study Business at Virginia Intermont College.

In 1965, she met her future husband and moved to Arcadia, Florida, to the family farm in the heart of cattle and orange country, where she raised her two children and built a life rooted in service and community.

Cherie dedicated herself to helping others throughout her life. She was active in local volunteer programs, participated in the Arcadia Literary Club, and served for 28 years with the DeSoto County Extension Office, affiliated with the University of Florida, as an Extension Program Assistant. During her career, she helped build and strengthen the 4-H program in DeSoto County and made a lasting impact on generations of local youth and

families.

She was a faithful member of Historical Pine Level Church and often fondly remembered the years when only ten families attended worship together. Cherie found joy at the beach, water activities, ballet and tap dancing, canning, helping others, and most of all, spending time with family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, William and Lillian Bishop, and her sisters, Joyce Gould and Gay Probus, all of Sarasota, Florida.

Cherie is survived by her son, Terry Hollingsworth, and her daughter, Sandra Hollingsworth Dyal of Arcadia, Florida; her grandsons, Justin Hollingsworth, Gary Hollingsworth, Eli Dyal, and granddaughter, Emily Dyal—as well as five great-grandchildren; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

**Family, friends, and all whose lives Cherie touched were invited to attend a Celebration of Life service at Pine Level United Methodist Church, officiated by Pastor Ed Horne, located at 9596 NW Pine Level Street, Arcadia, Florida, on Saturday, June 20, 2026, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. A graveside service will follow at Sarasota Memorial Park in Sarasota, Florida. Instead of flowers, the family welcomes donations to: Desoto County 4-H Association  
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Cherie will be greatly missed and forever remembered.

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## Doyle Bryce Edwards Jr.



Doyle Bryce Edwards Jr., 82, of Arcadia, Florida, passed away peacefully at home on May 10, 2026. Born February 20, 1944, in Arcadia, Doyle was the second of five children of Doyle Sr. and

Leila Edwards. The family moved several times before settling in his grandmother's home on S. Volusia Avenue. He graduated from DeSoto High School with the class of 1962. A gifted athlete, Doyle excelled in baseball as a child and discovered basketball in high school. His height and talent earned him a spot on the varsity team and a full basketball scholarship to LeTourneau College in Texas. A knee injury ended his playing career after two seasons.

Doyle moved to Richmond, California, to be near his high school sweetheart, Irene Arndt. He worked for Beverage Distributors Incorporated before enlisting in the United States Marine Corps in 1968. After an

honorable medical discharge due to another knee injury, he returned to Richmond and married Irene on June 8, 1968. Their loving marriage lasted nearly 58 years.

In 1975, the couple returned to Arcadia where Doyle joined the Arcadia Fire Department serving for 25 years as a firefighter, paramedic, and eventually Captain. He was known for his calm demeanor and compassionate care while helping others in emergencies.

Doyle and Irene retired in 2001 and spent the next 20 years traveling the country in their RV, visiting every state and creating cherished memories. In 2015, Doyle was diagnosed with prostate cancer. He

faced his illness with quiet courage and his faith in God. He became a Christian through his grandmother's influence and later served faithfully at the Arcadia Seventh-day Adventist Church as a deacon, elder, and groundskeeper.

He was preceded in death by his parents and brothers Robert and Stephen. He is survived by his devoted wife, Irene; sister Judy Edwards Osborne of Lincoln, CA; brother Alan Edwards and wife Karen of Ocala, FL; and many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Doyle will be remembered as a kind, unselfish man who never met a stranger. His dedication to family, community, and service touched countless lives. He will be deeply missed.

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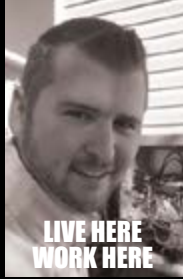
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		3	8			2		
	1			5				
2		8			4		7	5
			6	8		5		
	9						8	6
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9	2	4	5	6	8	7	3	1
7	5	1	3	4	9	6	2	8
6	8	7	9	1	5	3	4	2
3	9	5	4	2	7	1	8	6
1	4	2	6	8	3	5	9	7
2	6	8	1	3	4	9	7	5
4	1	9	7	5	2	8	6	3
5	7	3	8	9	6	2	1	4

ANSWER:

# BUDDY JOHN

by *Bumpy Thermos*

## CHAPTER 6

I love my mom, but she can get so excited about things. She was talking about how good a young man John was and then all of sudden, she goes into her excited mode. I just remembered something, she shouts, it's what my sister had said when she was here visiting. You had just walked in the door with John. What did she say mom? I asked. Well, we were sitting at the dining room table when you guys walked buy and she asked me if I was cooking something sweet on the stove. I hadn't been so of course I told her no, but she insisted that the kitchen smelled like fresh chocolate cookies. She even went over to the stove and opened it up and then continued to go through the microwave and cabinets, insisting I baked some cookies and didn't want her to have one. You have to be kidding me, right mom? I said. No, I'm not. I hadn't thought about that again until just now. I remember her being so insistent about those darn cookies. As a matter of fact, she had almost made me mad about it. Anyway, I never did smell anything. But it did seem very strange at the time. Then she asked, if I had ever smelled anything? Of course, not mom. At least I don't remember it if I did. Ok. What about the being here one minute and then there the next? Mom asked. I will have to say that John is a little different. He is not pushy or loud or anything. He does seem to stay quiet a lot. I still can't think of anything strange about him at all. He has been my friend now for at least 10 years. Maybe we have been around him so long that we are used to the smell. Mom then asked how his father was and did I know him very well. No, I said. I have never met him. He has some job in the military and is away a lot. John brags about how his dad is in the secret service or something like that. He doesn't know for sure. Just a lot of love there that I see. Oh yea, he will be home this weekend. John wants me to come over and stay with them. Is it ok mom? I asked. Sure, she says, but don't you think they want to spend time together? I didn't think of that, maybe I should say no, I replied. But I do want to go and meet him at least. Ok, let's see what happens this week. Maybe it will work out, she says.



# SUMMER TIPS FOR FAMILIES

Making Summer Safe, Healthy & Fun!



## KEEP LEARNING

- Read at least 20 minutes each day.
- Visit your local library.
- Practice math facts and educational games.
- Encourage journaling or creative writing.



## STAY HYDRATED

- Drink plenty of water throughout the day.
- Limit sugary drinks.
- Bring a water bottle when outdoors.



## PRACTICE SUN SAFETY

- Wear sunscreen SPF 30 or higher.
- Use hats and sunglasses when outside.
- Take breaks in the shade.



## STAY ACTIVE

- Ride bikes, walk, swim, or play outside.
- Aim for at least 60 minutes of physical activity daily.
- Enjoy family fitness activities together.



## EAT HEALTHY

- Enjoy fresh fruits and vegetables.
- Choose nutritious snacks.
- Make healthy meals a family activity.



## BE WATER SMART

- Never swim alone.
- Follow pool and water safety rules.
- Always supervise children near water.



## PRIORITIZE FAMILY TIME

- Plan family game nights.
- Explore local parks and community events.
- Create lasting summer memories together.



## BALANCE SCREEN TIME

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