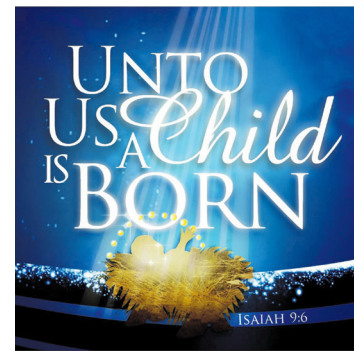




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HOMETOWN PEOPLE...HOMETOWN NEWS

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2017

THANKS BE TO GOD FOR HIS INDESCRIBABLE GIFT! - 2 CORINTHIANS 9:15

## CES Drama Club Performs Frosty



On Friday, December 15, the CES Drama Club performed "Frosty". There were 43 second grade students who participated in the production. This is the fourth year that Callahan Elementary School has received a grant from Arts Alive Nassau to work with

The Baillie Players (a theater company based in South Carolina). Members of the CES Fine Arts Committee, Doug Allen, Brandie Craven and Janan Hodges worked with the students for over two months to prepare them for the production.



## RETURN THE ELF...PLEASE!



Lucky were the children living in the Bryceville area that had a cute large Elf on the Shelf (or hay bale!) to look at while passing by Mike Stokes' residence every day! Unfortunately, someone took it upon themselves to steal it. The "Papa Elfie" was custom-made specifically to sit out on the hay bale and greet people each day during the holiday season. The elf wasn't hurting anyone only making smiles! There is nothing worse than a thief stealing kids' Christmas joy!

If you know anything about the theft, please call Mike Stokes at 904-266-2565 or better yet...just return it! You're taking the joy out of a lot of people's Christmas!

## Westside Journal Holiday Schedule!

Just a reminder, that this week, December 21, will be the last issue of the Westside Journal for 2017. We always take the week following Christmas off to not only give our advertisers a break but also for us to spend some time with our families during Christmas.

We will return to the office Friday, December 29 however we will be closed Monday, January 1, 2018 for New Year's Day! We will be back to our normal schedule Tuesday, January 2 to prepare for the January 4, 2018 issue of the Westside Journal.

We wish a very Merry Christmas and a healthy and Happy New Year to all our advertisers and readers. May God continue to bless us all in 2018!



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# A Word From the Publisher

Christmas is only a few days away and people are really getting crazy! Everyone's hustling around trying to get one more gift and just one more bargain. It can be a little crazy! Getting ready for Christmas can be trying at times...but it really doesn't have to be that way. I think it's all in the choices we make. Most of us have over and above what we actually need but those wants kick in and it's on!

I love hearing and reading the Christmas story and I've found out, once again, that I continue to learn things I've never thought of in the story. The Christmas Story of Jesus birth can be found in Luke 2: 1-7, "In those days Caesar Augustus issued a decree that a census should be taken of the entire Roman world. (This was the first census that took place while Quirinius was governor of Syria.) And everyone went to his own town to register. So Joseph also went up from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to Bethlehem the town of David, because he belonged to the house and lineage of David. He went there to register with Mary, who was pledged to be married to him and was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for the baby to be born, and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in swaddling clothes and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn."

When reading this part of the story, just right off the bat I realize how blessed I am. In those days you had to go back to the town where you were born to register. If it were me, I would have to go to Homerville, Georgia. Homerville is about 73 miles (I Googled it) and would take me about 1 1/2 hours to get there. Joseph and Mary had to travel about 70 miles and it took them about three days. They were on a donkey and walking on a dirt road. See how blessed we are. They didn't have Google, a car or a

cellphone to call ahead for a hotel.

Because everyone was traveling to their home towns, the inns were filled by the time they arrived. Let's don't forget the fact that Mary was nine months pregnant. Can you imagine how uncomfortable she was riding a donkey and walking for that long? She didn't have a doctor, nurse or her mom right beside her, just she and Joseph. Can you imagine giving birth in a stable with only your husband or fiancé? Also remember, Mary and Joseph were not married but engaged. God also intervened in that situation. He sent an angel to each of them months earlier telling them: "Do not be afraid. You will be with child and give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus."

You know that must have been a long trip but both Mary and Joseph put their faith in God to direct them and keep them safe. Even making the trip was a law that they had to follow. God could have changed it so they didn't have to travel but they were just two normal people following the law.

I say all this to remind us that we are all normal people in our day to day routines. I think God actually stretches his hand down to me sometimes to smack me to remind me, He is in control, not me. Just as Mary and Joseph were normal people, so are we. At this wonderful time of Christmas, take time to thank God for the many blessings in our lives. I, for one, am so undeserving but thankful for the mercy and grace God provides in my everyday life. This story also reminds me that God can take any 'normal' person and do wonderful things with their life. God is watching and waiting for us to call on Him.

Merry Christmas!

*Dawn S. West*

# Letters to the Editor



Want to help save water?

Dear Editor,

When it comes to water, the past 12 months demonstrated that although Florida generally receives ample rainfall, it tends to arrive in large gulps. Effects from this spring's drought conditions followed by Hurricane Irma's statewide saturation have shown that, as stewards of Florida's water, we all must maintain an emphasis on both water conservation and water storage, even when the landscape seems saturated with water.

In the face of drought and abundance, the St. Johns River Water Management District works to strike a balance between the needs of people and the needs of the environment. During the rainy season, our local and regional flood protection projects help to mitigate flooding. As the weather cools and rain subsides, we are reminded of the need to conserve water.

With public water supply the largest category of water use, and irrigation accounting for a large part of residential water use, year-round watering restrictions help ensure efficient use of water. Current watering restrictions specify that watering should only occur one day a week before 10 a.m. or after 4 p.m.

This year, during the cooler months of December through February, the district is asking everyone to skip every other week of watering their lawns. If everyone in our 18-county region participated this season, it

could save more than one billion gallons of water across north and east-central Florida.

Water conservation is a beneficial habit that each of us can practice, and it saves dollars too. So, I encourage everyone to skip a week! Be part of a sustainable water future for all Floridians by conserving water, as saving water is the simplest and least expensive way to protect our water resources and supplies. Individually and collectively, we can make a difference. To learn more, visit [sjrwm.com/SkipAWeek](http://sjrwm.com/SkipAWeek).

Ann B. Shortelle, Ph.D.  
St. Johns River Water Management District

Thank you!

Dear Editor,

The cheerleaders of Hilliard Youth Football would like to thank our community for your support on our recent trip to the American Youth Cheer National Competition in Orlando! We want to thank our many sponsors, those who supported our yard sale and even those who gave us \$1 at our collection! It all added up and we were able to attend Nationals without financially straining our families! Our first year team placed eighth out of 14 teams! Again, we thank our community for your support and we look forward to seeing what next year holds for the program.

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# Fish Talk

## Sheepshead Fun!

Chris Cockerham, Reel Habit

Finally, a huge decrease in air temps. Now, what does that mean for Northeast Florida? Not much, this is Florida right? It's liable to be 80 degrees in the shade tomorrow. Temperatures aside, it's a time for herding, Sheepshead herding that is. Sheepshead are being caught from Jekyll Island to as far south as Vilano Beach. Offshore is on fire when weather permits. Several fish in the double digits and many upwards of 6 to 8 pounds have been caught and weighted locally. With surface temps being much cooler than bottom temps, look for these fish to be in the deeper holes around structure. Use fiddler crabs when available and tie on the lightest weight possible to match the flowing tide. I like using a Reel Habit Jig head because I can always stay in direct contact with my bait. As always, the idea is to start at or near the bottom and vertical jig up along the structure. Remember, if you chum they will come.

Next, you can find Trout in nearly every creek you encounter right now. Just pitch a popping cork tipped with a live shrimp and let the tide do the work. If you want to find the bigger fish, look for structure in deep water. Rock piles near fast moving current are a given. In the back creeks, look for trout to stack up near docks and oyster beds. Many times those trout will school over sand flats, so always keep that in mind. Many stud trout are just sitting in the slow moving currents waiting on unsuspecting baits to swim by.

Lastly, Redfish continue to bite consistently in the backwater. Fresh dead shrimp and cut Blue Crab have been the go-to baits. They are starting to follow their winter pattern and can be found in the deeper holes as well. Remember, just a couple feet can be the difference in a bite and absolutely nothing.

With that said, my hot spots will include, Pumpkin Hill Creek, Simpson Creek, Browns Creek and Dutton Island. If you're going offshore, make sure you drop a fiddler over the wrecks near KBY. You never know, that stud sheepshead may be waiting on you! Until next time, be safe out there and I hope to see you on the water!

Merry Christmas everyone!

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## Keeping the Christmas Joy

*Pastor Ted Heglund, First Alliance Church, Hilliard*



When someone mentions “Christmas” to you what is your first thought? The picture that many people have is that Christmas is to be a time of joy and happiness. After all, it is the time to give and receive gifts, lots of good food, days off of work and pleasant time with family and friends. But let’s face it; Christmas can be a very stressful time of shopping, extra activities and having to smile at family members with whom you have to put up with their actions and personality!

Last week a little boy looked up at me and very seriously asked, “What is Christmas?” We think, “Oh, everybody knows that answer!” Yet here was a little boy living in Nassau County who knew all about the fake news of Santa but had no idea about the true meaning of Christmas! Is it any wonder that in the midst of all the Christmas activity there is very little of true Christmas joy?

To find the true Christmas joy we go back to the source and meaning of Christmas. It is remembering the greatest event that has ever taken place. It is when Jesus Christ took on the form of man with the express purpose of dying to pay for your sin and mine. Christmas is the time that we remember and celebrate His birth to a virgin named Mary. Only God could bring about this miracle birth. We read: “The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel (which means “God with us”).” Matthew 1:23 (NIV).

When we, by faith, have been saved from our sins by asking Jesus to forgive us we can know and have the true Christmas joy (which should remain year round). However, we have to be very careful to keep that Christmas joy in our hearts and lives.

To keep that Christmas joy we need to avoid a few things that can steal that joy from us. One is that we become so pressured by ads and commercials that we make gifts more important than the focus on Christ. Another thief that steals our true joy is excessive activity and just becoming too busy to stop and put Christ first before anything else.

One other thing that can steal the true joy of Christmas is letting family get between the Lord and us. You may say, “You don’t understand how dysfunctional my family is.” I would like to encourage you to look at the family line of Jesus. In His family line there were prostitutes, a murderer and others. But it was for the salvation of all people that Christ came: “For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.” Luke 19:10 (NIV).

One heritage that I have is a Father and Mother that put Christ first. On Christmas morning before the presents were opened Dad would read the Christmas message from the Bible, we would pray together thanking the Lord for His blessings, sing “Happy Birthday” to Jesus – and then the gifts. Try putting the focus of Christ into your family Christmas. Here are places in the Bible you can read about the birth of Jesus. Matthew 1:18-24; 2:1-12; Luke 1:26-56 and Isaiah 9:2-7.

Luke 2:10-11 (NIV): “But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid. I bring you GOOD NEWS that will cause great JOY for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is the Messiah, the Lord.’”

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“This program is so important to the residents who call Dayspring Village their home. The fact is that many who struggle with mental illness, especially those with schizophrenia often will walk quite a bit as it helps alleviate, to some degree, the stress of the symptoms and the restlessness they often experience and side effects of the medications. The shoes they receive through this annual gift party are sometimes the only shoes they receive all year so it really is important to their health in so many ways,” said Douglas Adkins, Executive Director.

This program began 26 years ago when then NAMI President, Hattie Morris, called to ask about doing a Christmas Party for the residents. “What would the residents like to have?” she asked. I responded, “They need new shoes.”

I told her while on the phone to take the shoelaces out of her shoes, walk around her house two times while we were on the phone. She did just that and came back to the phone and said Doug that is terrible! I felt so bad trying



to walk with no shoe laces. I explained to Hattie that when adults with mental illness go to the hospital for stabilization of symptoms as a precaution they will take away their shoelaces. Often on discharge they do not get the shoe laces back so they end up with these shoes and no shoelaces. To fix it Hattie went to Walmart and found shoes that required no shoe laces. That is how the NAMI Shoe Drop was born! This is the only “shoe drop” program in Florida and has impacted hundreds of adults with mental illness.



Dayspring Village, Inc. is a state licensed limited mental health assisted living facility that is located seven miles north of Hilliard. It is focused on caring for adults with Schizophrenia and Schizo affective Disorders.

For more information or to get involved with the 28th Annual Secret Santa Program call 904-845-7501 or visit us at [www.dayspringvillage.org](http://www.dayspringvillage.org) #AL5766.

## CHURCH NEWS

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## 4-H/Tropicana Contest Winners

The 4-H/Tropicana Public Speaking Contest is an exciting chance for fourth through sixth grade students from all over the county to show off their public speaking skills. The contest begins at the school level with each classroom hosting a competition and the winners from each classroom moving on to the school level competition. The winners from each school's elementary and middle school divisions then compete

against each other at the county contest. This year's contest was held December 7 and was full of incredible speakers. All of our participants did an outstanding job! Congratulations to our winners and congratulations to every student who participated both at the county-level and in their classrooms! The first place winners from each division received a scholarship to the 4-H summer camp of their choice for the summer of 2018.



Elementary Division:  
1st Place, Kanaan McCosh, CIS; 2nd Place, Brody Singley, CIS; 3rd Place, Peyton Tate, YES, Honorable Mention, Elijah Stewart, HES.



Middle School Division:  
1st Place, Emma Murphy, CMS; 2nd Place, Tony McCoy, HMSHS; 3rd Place, Annabella Zaccaro, YMS; Honorable Mention, Alexa Kennedy, YMS.

## HHS FFA & Ag Receive Donation

Hilliard FFA and HMSHS Ag Education would like to express gratitude to Mr. Fey, owner of Callahan and Folkston McDonalds for his commitment to furthering Agriculture Education. He donated \$1,000 into a Grant Fund that classes were awarded on their efforts to continue to educate themselves and others on sustainability.



Because of all the local businesses' continued support, the classes are reaching Hilliard and beyond to further awareness on Agricultural Issues.

## CIS Spelling Bee Winners



Recently, Callahan Intermediate School hosted the annual school spelling bee. Eighteen fifth grade students competed to win the first place title. First Place winner was Liam Green (l); Runner-up was Jason Sweat (r). Liam will now move on to the next round of competition in January at the County Spelling Bee.



### *You did it, Blaire!*

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# New Beginnings and Milestones

## Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday Caroline Grace Mizell



Caroline Grace Mizell celebrated her first birthday on December 12. She celebrated her special day with a grand party in her honor with her siblings Allie Claire and Whitt and lots of family and friends joining in the fun! Her proud parents are Adam and Carrie Mizell of Callahan.

Proud grandparents are John and Cindy Jo Ayers of Trenton; and Clyde and Lucy Mizell of Callahan.

Proud great-grandparents are Doris Beauchamp of Trenton; and Dorman and Jean Mizell of Callahan.



## Mary Nunn Celebrates 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday

Happy birthday Mary Nunn! This sweet lady has just turned 80, on December 20!  
Love, Bob

## Aspen Joan Hayes

Michael Hayes and Ashley Ulrickson of Callahan are proud to announce the birth of their daughter Aspen Joan Hayes. Aspen was born December 14 at 8:59 p.m. She weighed 5 pounds 7 ounces and measured 18 inches.

Paternal grandparents are Sean and Deborah Hayes of Kingsland, Georgia.

Maternal grandparents are Melinda and Rick Walker of Callahan; and the late Arthur Ulrickson.

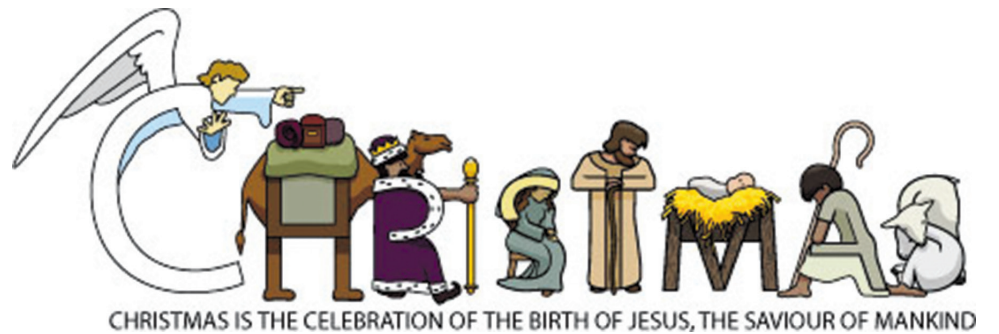
Proud great-grandparents are Frank and Joan Andrews of Callahan; and Bud and Patricia Pluta of Morresburg, Tennessee.



## Happy 1<sup>st</sup> Birthday Haiden Frederic Adams

Haiden Adams celebrated his first birthday December 21! He will celebrate his special day with a party with lots of family and friends joining in the fun! His proud parents are Robert and Candace Adams of Callahan.

His proud grandparents are Kelvin and Deena Blocker; and Dawn Adams, all of Lompoc, California. Proud great-grandparents are Ric and Donna Starbuck; and Nancy Blocker, all of Lompoc, California.



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## Westside Journal Visits Dublin, Ireland!



Steven and Lynn West, of Bryceville, recently took the trip of a lifetime to Dublin, Ireland. This was a trip that Lynn has longed to travel to for years. She called it one of her bucket list items! She researched different places that she wanted to visit including: Trinity College Library, Grand Central Dublin, King John's Castle, Cliffs of Moher, Dublin Castle and so much more. While there Steven, an avid runner, ran in his first marathon (26.2 miles) and did amazing!



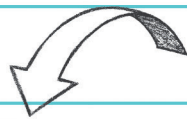
Lucky for us, he and Lynn remembered to take along a copy of the Westside Journal along with them on their trip! Thanks for sharing your beautiful trip!



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## Local Arena Football Champion

Led by Joseph Small, a 2002 Hilliard Middle-Senior High School graduate, the Natal Scorpions defeated the Maccio Matechias by a score of 35-27 in the 2nd Division Northeast Brazil Championship on December 17. After many years of playing arena football in many countries Russia, Germany, Turkey and Brazil, Joseph was thrilled to win the championship! He played both linebacker and tight end on the team. "I feel good going out as a champion," said Joseph.

He is supported by the Thomas family who live in Hilliard and many Nassau County friends! Congratulations Joseph!



## Donation for Trees for America's Troops



The Isle of Eight Flags Shrimp Festival gives back to many non-profit organizations in our communities from the profits of the Shrimp Festival each year. Shown is Shrimp Festival Chairman, Harry Harrison, a Vietnam Army Veteran, presenting a check to Judi Brown of Trees for America's Troops, Inc. The group works all year to send one of the special joys of the Christmas season in the form of 2 foot high decorated and lit Christmas trees, stockings full of goodies and necessities and personalized Christmas cards to our men and women stationed in Iraq and Afghanistan in combat zones who cannot be home for the Holidays.

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Christian Nicole Kurlin, 36, 54227 Hazel Jones Road, Callahan: Burglary to Structure

### Wednesday, December 13

Michael Douglas Gee, 57, 45130 Annie Laura Street, Callahan: Violation of Probation for Robbery No Gun and Burglary/Dwelling/Occupied Conveyence

Leslie Lewis Edwards, 33, 45116 Kilpatrick Road, Callahan: Failure to Appear Drive While License Suspended Habitual Offender

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"We are so grateful for the continued support of our generous community partners at Rayonier," said Chris Compton, Vice President of the FSS Nassau office. "It is because of them that our teens in foster care have the chance to experience a traditional holiday season."

Family Support Services of North Florida (FSS) is the lead agency for child wellbeing in Duval and Nassau counties.



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**MARTHA LILLIAN BUCHANAN**

Martha Lillian Walker Buchanan, 90, of Hilliard, went home to be with the Lord Tuesday, December 12. She was born September 5, 1927 in Hilliard to the late Cris J. Walker and Sarah Combs Walker. She was a homemaker and at the time of her death, the oldest member of First Baptist Church of Hilliard.

Along with her parents; she was preceded in death by her husband David H. (Buck) Buchanan, Jr.; a great-grandson Trenton Bryant; a sister Iris McConnell; and a son-in-law Reggie Page.

She is survived by her children David (Ann) Buchanan, Melanie (Leo) Hoover, Gary (Ginger) Buchanan, and Sara (Don) Michaels; nine grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held Saturday, December 16 at First Baptist Church of Hilliard with Rev. Richie Allen and Rev. Josh Tillman officiating. The family received friends prior to the service. Burial followed in Oakwood Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.shepardfh.com](http://www.shepardfh.com).

Arrangements were under the direction of Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home, Folkston, 912-496-7388.

**WILLIAM GUY BULFORD, III**

William "Bill" Guy Bulford, III, 60, of Hilliard, went home to be with the Lord on December 16. Bill was born on November 6, 1957 in Sumter, South Carolina to Bill and Ann Bulford. He was a devoted husband, father and grandfather. He celebrated 36 years of marriage to the love of his life in August. He loved the Lord and set an example as a Christian and family man. He actively served in the church and influenced many lives with his kindness and love. His happiest pastimes were outdoor



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activities enjoyed with his family. He loved to ride dirt bikes, water ski and fish. He also shared an interest in aviation with his father and brother. He obtained a private pilot's license and enjoyed flying with his children and even once convinced his wife to fly with him. He helped anyone he could and left an impression on everyone who knew him.

He is survived by his wife Gina; his daughters Sarah (Josh) Tapley, Rachel Muchmore and Christina Bulford; his mother Ann Bulford; his siblings Bobbie Bulford, Laurie (Dave) Schlegel and Mark (Kasey) Bulford; and grandchildren Norah Muchmore, Adeline Muchmore and Luke Tapley. He is preceded in death by his father, William 'Bill' Guy Bulford, II.

A visitation was held Tuesday, December 19 in the Nassau Funeral Home Chapel from 6-8 p.m. A memorial service will be held Wednesday, December 20 at Hilliard First Assembly of God at 11 a.m. officiated by Pastor Arlie Johns. Interment followed at Oakwood Cemetery.

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**JOHN L. CARTER**

John L. Carter, or John Pa as he was affectionately known, 74, went home to be with our Lord on Tuesday, December 12 in Jacksonville following a lengthy illness. He was born on February 26, 1943 in Savannah, Georgia to the late William Trenton and Bertha Barr Carter. He grew up in Jacksonville. As a young man he loved the beach, surfing and dancing! His part time passion was jewelry. His fulltime passion was talking, which is why he excelled as a salesman for over 40 yrs. He will be dearly

missed by many. He was preceded in death by his loving mother Bertha; his sister Dorothy (Keith) Loftin; and his nephew Justin Carter.

He is survived by his daughters Christie (Ricky) Scheider and Bridget (Dewayne) Osteen; four grandchildren Joshua, Cristin, Aubrey and Braxton; his brothers Dennie (former wife Glenda Carter-Jones) Melvin (Sheran) and Bill (Susan); his half-brother Jay Barr; and numerous nieces and nephews and host of other family and friends.

There will be a Celebration of Life service held Thursday, December 21 from 6:30-9:30 p.m. at 8206 Philips Hwy. Suite 22, Jacksonville, the corner of Philips and Baymeadows Roads.

**MARCELLA YVONNE CONNER**

Marcella Yvonne Thacker Conner, 70, passed away December 13 in Kingwood, Texas. She was born November 4, 1947 in Fort Worth, Texas to the late Marcellus David Thacker and Evelyn Yvonne Glover Thacker. She retired from FNB South following a number of years of faithful service. Along with her parents; she was preceded in death by her husband Charles Kenneth Conner; a step-daughter Marie Fuentex; a brother Paul



Thacker; two brothers-in-law Dewayne Conner and Horace Conner; and a sister-in-law Nora Taylor.

She is survived by her son David (Sue) Conner; her husband Troy; two step-children James Conner and Vickie Hillegass; nine grandchildren Christian Conner, Madison Slocum, Chelsea Slocum, Nolan Hillegass, Paden Hillegass, Jonathan Conner, Krystal Conner, Silver Fuentes and Ethyl Fuentes; a brother Gary (Phyllis) Thacker; two sisters Janice (Bill) McCoy and Karen (Phil) Bode; two sisters-in-law Mae Conner and Brenda (Chris) Conner; two brothers-in-law Chris Conner and Don Conner; and a number of nieces, nephews and other relatives.

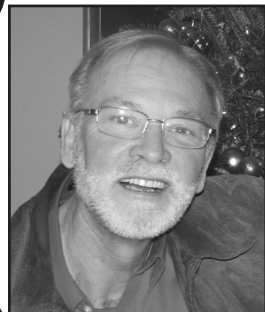
The family received friends Sunday, December 17 at Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home. Funeral services were held Monday, December 18 in the chapel of the funeral home with Bro. Carl Taylor officiating. Burial followed in Pineview Cemetery.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.shepardfh.com](http://www.shepardfh.com).

Arrangements were under the direction of Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home, Folkston, 912-496-7388.

**JIMMY WAYNE GRAHAM**

Mr. Jimmy Wayne Graham, 72, passed away on Monday, December 11 in a local hospital. Mr. Graham was a native of Jacksonville and a Veteran of the U.S. Air Force. He enjoyed flying and held a Black Belt in Judo. Mr.



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Graham was preceded in death by his parents Hugh Graham, Sr. and Theodora Sirmans Graham; sister Dora Russell; and a niece Pamela Graham.

Survivors include his son Damon Graham; and his mother Brenda Roche; grandson Dalton Graham; great-granddaughter Willow; brother Hugh M. (Shirley) Graham, Jr. of Callahan; sister Carolyn (Joe) Blake; six nephews Joseph Blake, Thomas (Ali) Blake, Robert Russell, Jr., Jason Russell, Mathew Russell and Todd Russell; niece Renee Graham; and numerous other extended family and friends.

Graveside funeral services with Military Honors will be held Thursday, December 14 with Rev. Steve Wolgamott officiating.

Peebles Family Funeral Homes is serving the Graham Family.

## JACK PETERS THOMAS

Jack Peters Thomas, 78, of Callahan, passed away on December 17. Jack was born on April 27, 1939 in Springwood, Virginia to Murphy and Beatrice Thomas. He graduated from Buchanan High School in Virginia as Class Valedictorian, Class of 1957. He retired

from Hubbard Construction in Jacksonville in 2005 after 20 years of dedicated service. He was a hardworking man and loved to help others with any work they needed. Jack enjoyed fishing, farming and rebuilding antique trucks but his greatest enjoyment was in helping others.

He is survived by his daughters Sherry (Donald) Aspinwall and Vicki (Steve) Marshman; grandchildren Kelsey (Mike) Guisty and Jamie (Morgen) Mhike; great-grandson Patrick Mhike; and a brother Sidney Thomas. He was preceded in death by his wife Alexis Thomas; his parents Murphy and Beatrice Thomas; and a sister Barbara Ransome.

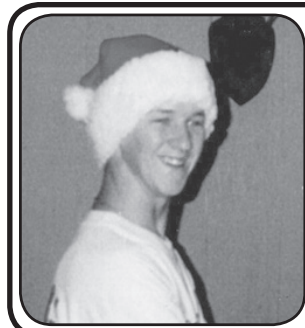
A viewing will be held Wednesday, December 20 in the Nassau Funeral Home Chapel from 6-8 p.m. A graveside service will be held in the Live Oak Baptist Church Cemetery at 11 a.m. with Elder Steve Marshman officiating.

Pallbearers will be Steve Marshman, Donald Aspinwall, Malcom Burch, Gary Griffin, Aaron Bell and Michael Bell.

Condolences may be expressed at [www.nassaufh.com](http://www.nassaufh.com).

Arrangements by Nassau Funeral Home, Callahan, 904-879-1770.

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"Nothing embraces the Christmas spirit more than watching children select the toys and books on their wish lists and making sure they have clothes and other necessities," said Sheriff Bill Leeper. "We look forward to participating in this event every year and I am very proud of the officers and civilian employees who volunteer their time to make this day special for these children."



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Each child is allotted \$100, half of which they must spend on necessities like clothing, shoes, school supplies, and other needs. The other half is reserved for toys, movies and other fun items.

The event is made possible by the support of NCSO Charities, Inc. (which holds fundraising events throughout the year), Amelia Island Concours d' Elegance Foundation, Inc., Wal-Mart and individual donors.

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As Christmas runs past us, we wanted to let everyone know that there are now two (2) Christmas Light shows in Hilliard. Both Light Shows begin at 6 p.m. nightly (weather permitting). There are signs posted on US Highway 1 with directions to lead you back to both shows.

Follow the signs down 1st Avenue past Hilliard High School remaining on 1st Avenue to Iowa St. Turn north on Iowa and you will see the first show to your left: 2nd Avenue Christmas: 27234 W. 2nd Avenue (Facebook: A 2nd Avenue Christmas).

As you drive down 2nd Avenue, follow the signs to Georgia Street and turn right and head north to Georgia St. and you will arrive at the second show: Hilliard Lights at the corner of Georgia Street & 9th Avenue ([www.HilliardLights.com](http://www.HilliardLights.com)). Enjoy!



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