

WILLIAM L. HADDEN, SR.



William L. Hadden, Sr., of Callahan, passed away November 18, following a brief illness with pancreatic cancer. He was born March 16, 1942 to Ruby Jean Hurlburt and JC Hadden of Jacksonville, both of which are deceased.

Anyone who knew Bill for any length of time knew several things about him. He loved God, he loved his family, he loved his church, he loved his friends and he loved fishing, particularly in Cedar Key. He had a memory like no other and could tell story after story in great detail. He loved to tell of the goodness of the Lord and how God met his every need in good and difficult times.

Bill pastored Southside Holiness Church in Jacksonville, for 11 years, Cornerstone Pentecostal Church also in Jacksonville for 19 years and the Old Country Church in Hilliard, for 3 years until his passing.

He leaves behind his loving wife of 34 years, Deana Scott Hadden; daughters Sheri Hadden (Ronald) Thrift of Hilliard and Ashley Habat of Callahan; sons Billy (Barbie) Hadden of Hilliard, Justin Hadden of Jacksonville and Bobby (Cindy) Hadden of Callahan; his wife's children, who he loved dearly, daughters Bobbie Dee (Larry) Knouse of Bryceville and Terry (Jeff) Parrish of Jacksonville; and son Joe (Amy) Gibson of Hilliard. Together Bill and Deana have multiple grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Bill is also survived by two brothers Eddie (Annie) Hadden and Carl (Melanie) Hadden, all of Hilliard; and two sisters Jeannie Hadden (Shane) Hayes and Betty Hadden Mixon, all of Jacksonville.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, November 21 in the Nassau Funeral Home Chapel from 5-7 p.m. Funeral services will be held Friday, November 23 at 10 a.m. in the Nassau Funeral Home Chapel with Billy Hadden officiating. He will be laid to rest immediately following at Buford Grove Cemetery in Hilliard.

He will be missed by all who knew and loved him but his separation is but for a short time for those who are ready to meet the Lord. He loved God's word and his favorite verses include Matthew 18:20, "Where two or more are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst.

He loved being in the presence of the Lord here on this earth and is now in the Savior's arms. His second favorite verse was Romans 8:1, "There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after flesh, but after the Spirit."

He would want everyone he knew to repent and give their hearts to Jesus so we could all gather around the throne of God together. Rest now our precious loved one. You have fought the fight and won the race. You are finally home. Until we meet again.

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