

JAMES C. GOODING, SR.



James Clarence Gooding, Sr., 81, of Callahan, passed away December 26, in Jacksonville. He was born April 26, 1937 in St. Augustine, to the late Wilson Dessie Gooding and Arlene Daisy Gooding Kalinowski. He was retired from Moisture Detection Services in Jacksonville, which he founded in 1980. He was an avid golfer, fisherman, Gator fan and loved RVing in his motorhome. He moved to Callahan over 5 years ago to escape the big city and travel more.

He was preceded in death by his son James Clarence Gooding, Jr.; his parents Wilson Dessie Gooding and Arlene Daisy Gooding Kalinowski; his brothers Clayton Wilson Gooding and Robert Francis Gooding; and his sister Delores Kalinowski Lee.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Sylvia Smith Gooding of Callahan; children Darlene Frances (Leslie) Bennett of Hilliard, Sandra Lynn (Steve) Navarro of Denver, Colorado, Michael Kevin Wallace, Alisa (Artie) Carmen and Kenneth Scott (Amy) Wallace, all of Jacksonville; sisters Barbara Gooding (Ronnie) Shock, Connie Gooding Wilson and G. G. Gooding (Ronald) Callendar; and a brother Wilson Dessie Gooding, Jr.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.