

### ALEXANDER MIDDLETON, SR.



Alexander "Buddy" Grandville Middleton, Sr., 88, passed away March 27, 2022 at home with his wife, Vonnie Middleton, by his side. Alexander was born in Hinesville, Georgia, to Bertha Nimerfroh (Taylor) and Marshall Middleton. He grew up in Georgia along with four siblings, Lola Collins, Lourise Oldham, Loretta Tereney and Irene Nimerfroh, until he joined the United States Marine Corps, where he remained active duty for 27 years. Retiring as a Master Gunnery Sergeant, he was discharged from Parris Island in North Carolina with honors after multiple tours in Vietnam and Korea. He later worked and retired from Ryder after 20 years of service. He served as a Deacon at River Road Baptist Church for 22 years. Alexander reached Master Mason in the Masonic Fraternity, where he formed strong bonds that remained throughout his life. During his time at River Road Baptist Church, he visited church members and their families at their homes, hospitals and death beds as a calm, caring presence.

Alexander remained a proud Marine until his death, and a United States flag and Marine Corps flag still flies at his and Vonnie's home. He always gave so much of himself to others and was a light in the darkness for everyone who had the privilege of meeting him. With all of his accomplishments, he felt his greatest one was being a husband, father and grandfather. He was forever an optimist and the rock that held his family together. His loss will be felt by all those who have been touched by his loving spirit. Since Alexander has touched so many lives, all services will be open to anyone who wishes to pay their respects.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Vonnie; their five children, Alexander G. (Sherry) Middleton, Jr., Cindy Martin, Mark (Amy) Middleton, Michael (Tammy) Middleton and Elizabeth Middleton; eight grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

The funeral service will be held Saturday, April 2 at New Life Baptist Church in St. George, Georgia from 10:30-11 a.m. Burial will follow at River Road Baptist Church Cemetery, Hilliard. Afterwards, friends and family may meet at New Life Baptist Church for a reception in the fellowship hall.

Arrangements under the direction of Nassau Funeral Home, Callahan, 904-879-1770.

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