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Dwight Idus Groves

Dwight Idus Groves, 60, of Lawtey, Florida, passed away September 10, 2019 at St. Vincent's Riverside Medical Center, Jacksonville following a brief illness. Mr. Groves was born in Jacksonville and resided in Macclenny before moving to Lawtey six years ago.

He was a former police officer for the City of Baldwin and Starke and worked as a firefighter/EMT with the Nassau County Fire Rescue until his retirement in 1998. He was a member of the Baldwin First United Methodist Church, a graduate of Baldwin High School and Florida Junior College of Jacksonville. He was a Deputy Sheriff with the Baker County Sheriff’s Auxiliary for 24 years until his retirement in 2017. Dwight loved the Florida Gators, hunting, fishing, golfing and was an avid outdoors person. He was preceded in death by his parents William Bill Groves, Jr. and Betty Hudson Groves.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Joy C. Groves of Lawtey; three sons Lamar (Kellie) Rosier of Bryceville, Tyler A. Groves of Lawtey and Hunter (Bree) Groves of Starke; one brother Duane (Debra) Groves of Baldwin; and six grandchildren Brianna, Brice, Braelyn, Carson, Savannah and Gemma.

A funeral service to honor the life of Mr. Groves was held Saturday, September 14 in the Baldwin First United Methodist Church with Rev. Richard Fish, Pastor of the First Baptist Church, Maxville, officiating and assisted by Rev. Ike Mathews, Pastor of the Baldwin United Methodist Church. Interment followed in Brandy Branch Cemetery in Bryceville. The family received friends Friday, September 13.

Arrangements by Guerry Funeral Home, Macclenny.