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## **EDWARD PHILIP SPIVEY, SR.**



Edward Philip Spivey Sr., 71, passed away December 15, 2021 at Baptist Medical Center Jacksonville. Ed was born July 17, 1950 in Orlando. Ed served in the United States Army as a Military Police Sergeant and in the Tampa Fire Department as a firefighter. Later, he pursued his lifelong passion for flying by visiting 65

countries as a charter pilot and accruing a total of 23,500 flight hours. For the last few years, Ed was a member of Hilliard First Assembly of God and volunteered as the Director of the Men's Ministry. Outside of work, Ed loved hunting, fishing and riding 4-wheelers with his grandchildren. Ed was always working to help others and meet the needs of family, friends and even strangers.

He is survived by his loving wife of 51 years, Delilah Spivey; his children Shannon (Dan) Burkhardt and Philip Spivey; his grandchildren Sophie Burkhardt, Zack Burkhardt and Jackson Spivey; his mother Ellen Spivey; and his brother Stuart (Chip) Spivey. He was preceded in death by his father Edward M. Spivey; and his sister, Marcia Spivey.

A celebration of life service will be held Friday, January 21 at 11 a.m. at Hilliard First Assembly of God with Rev. Arlie Johns III (Ed's brother-in-law) officiating. The memorial will be followed by a graveside veteran's service at Jacksonville National Cemetery in Jacksonville.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Ed's niece, Rebecca Johns, who is serving as a Missionary in Thailand. Donations should be made to: Hilliard First Assembly of God, for Rebecca Johns Missions, PO Box 670, Hillard, FL 32046.

Condolences may be expressed at www.shepardfh.com.

Arrangements by Shepard-Roberson Funeral Home, Folkston.