

### ERNEST DUANE HARDEN, SR.



Ernest Duane Harden, Sr., 79, of Callahan, passed away August 6, 2022. He was born and went to school in Homestead, Florida but resided most of his life in Jacksonville, with his wife Linda Guy Harden. His accomplishments were many, including serving in the



United States Navy, earning Eagle Scout, and becoming a Mason. Some of his best and favorites were graduation from the University of Florida with a Bachelor's Degree in Science, graduating from the University of North Florida with his Master's Degree, and becoming a father to two children and stepfather to two more.

Ernest started at IBM in his first career as a computer engineer, but his real talent was as a business owner. He had several successful businesses: Professional Computer Solutions of Jacksonville, Computer Traders of Jacksonville and then property management. He loved to build, work and accomplish things. He also had time for his adventures which included scuba diving, airplanes, boating, hunting, fishing and camping. Ernest touched many lives in a positive way, especially through Bible study to understand the word of God. He was proud of the relationships he built with others over so many years. He is preceded in death by his parents William "Joe" and Evelyn Gamber Harden; grandmother Floy Gamber; and stepdaughter Jami Havelin.

Ernest is survived by his loving wife of 38 years, Linda Guy Harden; children Captain (Retired) Ernest (Cindy) Harden, II, Elva Peppers and Mary (Keith) Parramore; grandchildren Ben (Missy) Harden, Sam Harden, Joel Harden, Micah Harden, Lindsey (Cody) Boomer, Austin Peppers, Lacey (Nicholas) Zaharevitz and Haley Wojtowicz; great-grandchildren Evelyn and Penelope Zaharevitz, Aiden White and Alton Boomer; siblings Joanne Mattson, Floyd (Judi) Harden and Pat Kittle; and many beloved nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends Saturday, August 13 at 11 a.m. at Nassau Funeral Home, prior to the celebration of life service at 12 p.m. with Bro. Lee Bradley officiating.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations can be made to the Mayo Clinic Cardiac Research Department at: [www.philanthropy.mayoclinic.org](http://www.philanthropy.mayoclinic.org).

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

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