

HAMPTON S. BENNETT, JR.



Hampton S. “Bubba” Bennett, Jr., 88, the greatest dad ever, passed away Thursday, November 17, 2022 at his home surrounded by his family. Mr. Bennett was born January 22, 1934 in Fernandina Beach and was son to the late Hampton Sullivan Bennett, Sr. and Maudie Olivia Wilder Bennett. He was a graduate of Yulee High School and worked for 42 years with St. Regis Paper Company where he retired in 1999. He was a member of the United Steelworkers Union for Paperworkers Local 9292 and loved playing cards with friends and family, hunting, fishing, Blue Grass music and cooking for his family including his specialty shrimp salad & fried fish. He loved his log cabin in West Jefferson, North Carolina, that he named "Top of the Hill" after his beloved Nassauville home. He loved his family dearly. He was preceded in death by his parents; and a brother Charles Bennett.

He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Patricia Harrold Bennett; four children Hampton “Rusty” (Pam) Bennett, III, Lisa (Tom) Rayburn, Judson (Melinda) Bennett and Marsha (Robert) Veal; eight grandchildren Josh (Brittany) Rayburn, Kristopher (Randi Jean) Bennett, Joni (Donal) Rayburn, Jenni (Thomas) Pike, Sara (Jason) Wynn, Lorin (Chris) Jakes, Judson (Noel) Bennet, II and Travis (Abigail) Veal; 21 great-grandchildren Lyle, Katelynn, Sydney, Conner, Nyla, Riley “Hampton”, Landen, Natalee, Cooper, Callie, Kailey, Logan, Layden, Nate, Damari, Judson, III, Donisha, Laila, Xavier, John and due in February Chandler; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

The family received friends Monday, November 21 prior to the funeral service at The Event Center at Peoples Funeral Home, Jacksonville, with Pastor Chris Drum officiating. Burial followed in Eubanks Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations may be made to Community Hospice of Nassau County.

Peoples Family Funeral Home served the Bennett family.

Condolences may be expressed at: www.pffh.com.