

JAMES E. 'DUB' STEARN, JR.



James E. 'Dub' Stearn, Jr., 67, of Ft. Walton Beach, Florida, passed away October 8, 2020, surrounded by the love of his family. He was raised in Florida and was the eldest of five children born to Jim and Julia Stearn. He was a 1971 graduate of West Nassau High School.

Dub, along with his wife Carol, moved to Fort Walton Beach, in 1986 where he began his career as a Field Manager for Sprint Telephone Company. Many years later, Dub found his passion working as a Financial Planner for North Florida Financial. Dub loved people and never met a stranger so working as a financial planner was the perfect job for him. He was always willing to stop and really listen to what was on your mind. Dub's laughter was infectious and he was always up for a good time. He, along with Carol, enjoyed hosting poolside barbecues, game nights, movie and popcorn nights and most of all, home Bible studies. His home was open to everyone.

Dub loved the Lord with all his heart which was evidenced by the way he led his life. He served faithfully as an elder of Destin Church of Christ until the time of his passing. Dub studied the Word of God diligently and was a wonderful Sunday school teacher and small group Bible study leader.

Dub is survived by his wife of 42 years, Carol; his two daughters Risa and Evan Knock of Pensacola and Selena and Trevor Lafferty of San Diego; his four grandchildren Stella, Escher, Maddox and Colin; his beloved parents Jim and Julia Stearn of Kingsland; his siblings Marci (David) Scott of Thomasville, Mark Stearn (Stephanie) of Callahan, Gus (Christie) Stearn of Fernandina Beach and Dawn (Roger) West of Hilliard; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service to celebrate Dub's life was held Sunday, October 11 at the Destin Church of Christ in Destin, Florida. A reception followed in the church multi-purpose room.

Make memorial donations to Hope Medical Clinic: www.hopemedclinic.org.

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

Davis-Watkins Funeral Home & Crematory was in charge of arrangements.