

JAMES EARL JEFFRIES



Mr. James Earl Jeffries, 89, of Jacksonville, passed away Saturday, September 24, 2022. He was born in Russellville, Alabama to the late Edward and Hattie Helms Jeffries. Upon high school graduation, Mr. Jeffries enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps. During his service was a recipient of the Naval Occupation Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. At the completion of his service, he began a 40-year career at Great Southern Trucking Company, which would become P.I.E. Trucking by the time of his retirement. Mr. Jeffries was a member of Old Plank Road Baptist Church and an avid Florida Gator football and baseball fan. He enjoyed working in his yard and listening to old time radio. He looked forward to Fridays and going out to eat and spending the day with Ms. Vera.

He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Vera Jeffries of Jacksonville; daughter Brenda (Richard) Bertino of Jacksonville; grandson Bobby Bertino; children William (Linda) Spears, Jr., Lonnie W. Spears, Susan Altman and Karen Spears; and numerous other grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his daughter Teresa Greene; and brothers Hollis, Jack and Bobby.

A funeral service will be held Monday, October 3 at 12 p.m. at Old Plank Road Baptist Church with Pastor Larry McGinley officiating. The family will receive friends one hour prior to the service. There will be a time of fellowship following the service.

Mr. Jeffries will be laid to rest Tuesday, October 4 at 1 p.m. at the Jacksonville National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Wounded Warrior Project in his memory to www.woundedwarriorproject.org.

Warren Funeral Services of Baldwin is honored to serve the Jeffries family.

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