## JAMES WILLIAM HENDRICKS



James William Hendricks, 94, was called to Heaven to be with his Lord and Savior Sunday, December 10, 2023, following complications from recent surgery. He was born on July 9, 1929, in Hiram, Paulding County, Georgia, to the late Herschel and Katie Lou Arnold

Hendricks. James grew up on the family homestead in nearby Brownsville, Georgia where he learned to farm and discovered his love for hunting and fishing. He graduated from Hiram High School in 1946. Shortly thereafter, he moved to Northeast Florida where he joined the Florida National Guard. About this time, James met his future bride, Dorothy Marilyn Demonbreun, in Nashville, Tennessee. They were married on Christmas Day, 1948, in Jacksonville and moved into the Northshore neighborhood of that city.

James' military unit was called up to duty in April of 1951, where he fought in the Korean War until early 1953. Upon his return to the states, James, Marilyn, and their two children moved to a farm south of Callahan. They had three more children, and together, the couple raised their family in a Christian home. James retired from the Florida National Guard in 1986 and afterwards started a small contracting business. During his golden years, James enjoyed researching his family lineage and wrote several short memoirs about his life. He loved to explore, travel and sing at the Woodbine Opry. James loved to volunteer and help others and was an active member of the West Nassau Historical Society and the Callahan Masonic Lodge #32. James was preceded in death by his parents; his wife; sisters Evelyn (Hugh) Shipp, Ruth (Johnny) Richards, Edna Vermelle (Hoyt) Thomas and Eva Bea (Gene) Newman; and his brother-in-law Lonnie Lee.

James is survived by his children Kathy (Dwight) Schnirman, Anthony (Nancy) Hendricks, Steve (Sandy) Hendricks, Danny (Dana) Hendricks and John Hendricks; eight grandchildren; 13 thirteen great-grandchildren; and one great-grandchild; his younger sister Bobbie Lee; and numerous extended family members and friends.

The family will receive friends Thursday, December 14 from 5-7 p.m. at Nassau Funeral Home. A graveside service will be held Friday, December 15 at 3 p.m. at Jones Cemetery in Callahan.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in his name to West Nassau Historical Society.

Arrangements Nassau Funeral Home, Callahan, 904-879-1770. Visit www.nassaufh.com to sign the family's guest book.