JAN H. JOHANNES, SR.



Mr. Jan Herbert Johannes, Sr., 80, currently of Jacksonville, passed away Thursday, December 3, 2020 at Baptist-Oakleaf Emergency Room. He was born in Tacoma Park, Maryland, to the late Dana B. and Elizabeth A. Goodyear Johannes. Jan grew up in

Maryland and graduated from Montgomery Blair High School, Class of 1958. His family moved to Clearwater, Florida shortly after he graduated from high school. He met his future wife, Lynne Petelle, in 1961 and they married in 1964.

After serving in the US Navy for 4 years, Jan then went on to work for the FAA as an Air Traffic Controller for nearly 35 years. Jan's passions were trains, history, photography and his late golden retriever Colonel. He helped establish and served on the board for the West Nassau Historical Society for many years. He wrote several books on Nassau County and Amelia Island. One familiar one was Yesterday's Reflections.

He is survived by his loving wife of 56 years, Lynne Johannes; his son Jan (Jennifer) Johannes, Jr.; his daughter Jennifer (Shawn) McLean; son Thomas Johannes; grandchildren Patrick, Lauren, Jacob and Zachary; and great-grandchildren Olivia and Savannah.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that memorial donations be made in his memory to the West Nassau Historical Society; the American Cancer Society; or G.R.E.A.T. Golden Rescue of NE FL, Inc.

A public service will be held Thursday, December 10 at 11 a.m. in the Burgess Chapel of Oxley Heard Funeral Home in Fernandina Beach. Burial will follow at Jacksonville National Cemetery.

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