

### THOMAS B. EDWARDS



Thomas B. “Tommy” Edwards, 68, of Callahan, passed away Wednesday, September 1, 2021. He was born in Pensacola, Florida and was the son of the late Richard D. Edwards and Yvonne Hickox Edwards.

Tommy lived most of his life in Nassau County. He was a 1973 graduate of West Nassau High School. He retired from Ryder Truck Rental Company after 23 years of service. He then began a second career with Arctic Air of Northern Florida where he was the Service Manager. From an early age, he was a diehard Florida fan. Some believed he would bleed Orange and Blue if he were cut. His avid following of all things UF was probably the only excess in his life. He was a man of simple things.

Tommy loved Jesus and had an undying devotion to his church, Yulee Baptist Church. He served as a Deacon and was faithful in his church life. He could be found helping at the community Thanksgiving meal, wheelchair ramps or any other task around the church. Tommy was a faithful man who dearly loved his family. He doted on his grandchildren and always did what he could for them. He will be remembered for his unconditional love, his simple ways and his heart of Gold.

In addition to his father Richard Dean Edwards; Tommy was predeceased by his sister and brothers, Debbie Armstrong, Ricky Edwards and Davy Edwards.

He leaves behind his children, Kellie (Nick) McLeod of Hampton and Kyle (Brandy) Edwards of Keystone Heights; his mother Yvonne Edwards of Callahan; his sister Phyllis (Chris) Lathorp, his brother Mike (Marty) Edwards, all of Callahan; his five grandchildren, Mykayla McLeod, Nick McLeod, Jr., Mykenzie McLeod, Kai Edwards and Kinsley Edwards; as well as several extended family members.

The funeral service for Mr. Edwards was held Saturday, September 4 at Callahan First Baptist Church with Pastor Doug Sides of Yulee Baptist Church and longtime friend, Pastor Edward Dixon officiating. The family received friends prior to the service.

He will be laid to rest beside his father, sister and brother, in Hickox Cemetery near Hoboken, Georgia.

Those desiring may make contributions in Tommy’s memory to: Yulee Baptist Church, 85971 N. Harts Rd., Yulee, FL 32097.

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