



Albert "Al" Sidney Griffin Jr.

August 25, 1937 - March 12, 2019

Albert "Al" Sidney Griffin, Jr. age 81 passed away peacefully at home on March 12, 2019. Al was born at Barksdale Air Force Base, Louisiana. He was baptized in the Danish Lutheran Church. He spent a better part of his youth in the Panama Canal Zone, where he was active in the Boy Scouts, later earning the rank of Eagle Scout. Al was a longtime resident of Tallahassee and Pagosa Springs, CO. He graduated from Leon High School in 1955, and served honorably in the Florida National Guard. He met his lovely bride, Sandra Hancock Griffin, at Florida State University. Al graduated from Colorado School of Mines with a degree in Petroleum Engineering in 1960 and spent over 20 years with the Arabian Oil Company, retiring as the Chief Engineer of Operations and Facilities Planning. Al was an avid outdoorsman and big game hunter who made trips to Africa, New Zealand, Alaska, and the Northwest Territories. A gifted sailor who sailed the open seas of the Persian Gulf, the Bahamas, and British Columbia. A renaissance man, Al could build just about anything and fix any motor.

He was a lifelong learner who blessed his family with many experiences living in Saudi Arabia, the Netherlands, and traveling the world. An outstanding husband father, and brother, Al inspired his love for nature and shared his passion for adventure. He was involved with the Nature Conservancy and was an honorary member of the Florida Sheriff's Association.

Al was preceded in death by his mother Helga Beata Griffin and father Albert Sidney Griffin. Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Sandra Griffin of

Tallahassee; children Deborah Griffin (Frank Castanada) of Mt. Horeb WI, Nancy Griffin Blandford (Jeff) Atlanta, GA, and John Griffin (Shawna) of Wake Forest, NC. Six grandchildren including Cassandra Griffin Burke (Peter), Karissa Red Bear, Jake Blandford, Adam Blandford, Griffin Blandford, and Christopher Griffin. One great-grandchild; Aveline Burke. Brother, John C. Griffin (Pat) of Tallahassee; and nieces Bonnie Sinclair (Grant) and Molly Griffin. Cousin, Charles Short (Gwen) of Tallahassee. Graveside services will be held 12 noon, Wednesday, March 20th at Roselawn Cemetery. Susie Mozolic of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with their arrangements. (www.bevisfh.com 850-385-2193)

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAR **20**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Roselawn Cemetery
815 West Piedmont Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32308

Tribute Wall

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“ *The Castaneda, Gonzalez and Hallam Families purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Albert "Al" Sidney Griffin Jr..*



The Castaneda, Gonzalez and Hallam Families - March 17, 2019 at 07:26 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Albert "Al" Sidney Griffin Jr..*



March 17, 2019 at 05:36 PM