



Alva Gray "A.G." Standland

February 16, 1927 - January 30, 2017

Alva Gray "A.G." Standland, 89, of Tallahassee, passed away on Monday, January 30, 2017.

A.G. was born in Bascom, Florida, to Lemon Grey Standland and Mamie Lee King Standland. He was a United States Navy veteran, having served in the Pacific during World War II. After the war, A.G. returned to Marianna and then in 1952 moved to Tallahassee. Throughout his career, A.G. worked for the State of Florida and from 1960-1970 was Director of the Neighborhood Youth Corps. He retired from the State in 1985.

During retirement, A.G. and his wife continued living in Tallahassee but spent much of their time in Bascom reestablishing the family farm, where they raised Hereford cattle and enjoyed spending the holidays with their extended family. He was an avid outdoorsman and especially enjoyed quail hunting and bird dogs. A.G. was also a member of East Hill Baptist Church.

Survivors include his daughter, Kim S. Skelding (Jack) of Tallahassee, granddaughter, Jacqueline Skelding of Tallahassee and devoted caregiver, Copedine Meadley. He was preceded in death by his parents, loving wife of 63 years, Jean Mitchell Standland and daughter, Jena Holland.

A.G.'s family would like to express their deep gratitude to the staff at Consulate Health Care for the outstanding care in which he received.

A private family graveside service is planned.

Kelly Barber of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193, www.bevisfh.com) is assisting the Standland family with their arrangements.