



C. Idus Spooner

January 6, 1942 - December 20, 2021

C. Idus Spooner, Jr., 79, of Havana, Florida died peacefully on Monday, December 20, 2021. Just 5 days before Christmas and 17 days shy of the Epiphany and his 80th Birthday, he was called home to his heavenly family. Idus was born in Tallahassee, Florida on January 6th, 1942. His friends best describe him as a storyteller who could hold your attention no matter what your walk of life; telling too many wild stories to remember. Although his skin was tough and weathered, his kindness would always shine from under the brim of his white cowboy hat with a smile or a sparkle in his green eyes. He loved his friends, his dogs, and his horses, but adored and was most proud of his family.

Idus grew up attending Lakeview Baptist Church and First Baptist Church of Tallahassee where his mother taught Sunday School. He was in Cub Scout Pack #107, raising the flag at the opening of Camp Silver Lake and even served as Page in the Florida House of Representatives. He attended Sealy Memorial Elementary and Cobb Junior High. After losing his mother in a car accident at the age of 16, he went on to graduate in 1959 from Leon HS, served in the Army, and later the Army Reserves. He later attended Murray State University and Chipola Community College, and obtained his Real Estate, Pilot, and Captains Licenses.

Idus was an avid hunter and charter member of the Sweetwater Hunting Club

in Gadsden County, also active at Morgan Swamp, and Clark Pond. He raised his family on trails scouting for deer, turkey, and squirrel to hunt; teaching appreciation for nature and all the greatness it provides. His passion turned to the air and sea where he would fly his twin tail Bonanza and let the kids take the helm of his 42' Post. As Manager of the Used Trucks for Ford and Chevy his life was entwined with generations of families and friends. He would always have a crew in the Big Bend Fishing Tournaments, enjoyed the Ford Races, and Chili Cookoffs, but remembered to give back with his annual First Responders Appreciation Luncheon bringing departments and officials together for almost 10 years. He would eventually retire back on the land where he would raise and breed his Spooner Quarter Horses and Thoroughbreds with the invaluable help of his loyal friend, Luke Blanchard.

Idus is preceded in death by his parents Mrs. Ruby Wimberly Spooner of Tallahassee, FL and Cletus Idus Spooner of Sneads, FL as well as his uncle Mr. Howard Wimberly of Marianna, FL. He is survived by his son, Mr. and Mrs. Scott Walton & Valentyna L. Spooner and grandson Jett Bennett Spooner of Lantana, FL; his daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Michael & Mary Michelle Miller and grandchildren Sheridan Leigh Miller, Kendall Jordan Miller, and John Joseph Miller, III of Pompano Beach, FL; his aunt Mrs. Corine Wimberly of Marianna, FL; cousins Buddy and Mrs. Nancy Wimberly and Mr. & Mrs. William and Mary Wester; his half-brothers Steven Lewis Spooner and William Foster Spooner, Sr. of Lakeland, FL; his nephew William Foster Spooner, Jr.; his niece Melissa Lynne Spooner and 6 great nieces and nephews.

The family invites friends and loved ones for a Celebration of Life at Bevis Funeral Home of Tallahassee on Saturday, January 8, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. to be immediately followed by a gathering at Oakland Cemetery where his earthly body will be laid to rest next to his mother. Because of his great love of animals and honoring veterans the family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to New Horizons Service Dogs, Inc. at 1590 Laurel Park

Ct., Orange City, FL 32763 (Federal Tax I.D. #59-3334829)
newhorizonsservicedogs.org/386-456-0408

The Lord says, “fear not, for I have redeemed you, I have called your name, you are mine.” - Isaiah 43:16

Rocky Bevis of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with their arrangements. (850-385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com)

Cemetery Details

Oakland Cemetery

838 N Bronough St
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 8. 10:00 AM (ET)

Bevis Funeral Home & Crematory
200 John Knox Rd
Tallahassee, FL 32303
(850) 385-2193

Tribute Wall



“ *Bevis Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of C. Idus Spooner*



Bevis Funeral Home - January 08, 2022 at 08:48 AM



“ *Knew Mr. Idus through my husband, Roger McKenzie. Was always such a gentleman and I enjoyed listening to his stories. I remember he called me the day before Roger passed away to check on him. Such a good friend. I know he and Roger are together now swapping stories and having a great time! Rest in peace.*

Margie McKenzie

Margie McKenzie - January 10, 2022 at 11:14 AM



“ *It was in the early 70's when we moved to Tallahassee. My first job was Secretary to Idus Spooner at Model Mobile Homes on South Monroe. It was an unforgettable experience working with him at Model.. Every day with him was a good day. I thought about him often and will never forget him. My heartfelt condolences to his family.*

chris brannon jones - January 07, 2022 at 06:21 PM

AU

“ You were a great neighbor to the Murphy’s across the street from you. You often tell my children, when you had another vote born. We often talked or waved. I’m still am in disbelief. You can now talk with my husband “Johnny” in paradise. Yes, you are missed.

A. Murphy and family

Audrey - January 06, 2022 at 11:08 AM

TB

“ Idus was a great neighbor and we enjoyed visiting him and his horses. He really loved those horses and wanted to tell you all about them. He would do anything he could to help you out. About half my yard is due to the fertilizer from his horse stalls. We will truly miss him, his stories, and his horses.

Tyler and Teresa Bush

Teresa Bush - January 05, 2022 at 01:59 PM

JA

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Joanne Andrews - January 05, 2022 at 08:32 AM

JA

This is Idus spooner, in a show, around 1966, just before I got my first horse, in 1968. The first man riding "English", that I'd ever seen! He trained my best friend's horse, for her. That horse was the safest horse a teenager could ride, from 1967, until the horse died 30 years later. Ride on, Mr. Spooner--you'll be greatly missed!

Joanne (Stoker) Andrews

Joanne Andrews - January 05, 2022 at 08:37 AM

SD

“ *My husband and I live just down the road from Mr. Idus. We were shocked and saddened when we found out that he had passed. We were so happy when he moved in and brought his horses to the neighborhood. I'd stop by when he was out working with the horses, or the yard, and talk. He loved his horses and was very proud of the new foals every year. Having done so many things in life, he was never at a loss for things to talk about. He will be missed. Our condolences to all his family. Peace be with you.*

Stormie Doyle - January 05, 2022 at 12:13 AM

TA

“ *Mr Idus sold me my very first pickup truck! A Ford Ranger and I was all of 18 years old, you see it was a standard transmission and I had never in my life driven a stick shift, but Mr Idus was so patient with me and got me headed towards home and I never forgotten his kindness. My condolences to his family! RIP Sir!*

Tina Andrews - January 04, 2022 at 12:42 AM

CO

“ *Idus was one of my favorite Leon High School classmates. He was thoughtful, authentic and loving. I am so happy to read that he lived such a rich and varied life with family, friends, his horses and dogs.*

May flights of angels sing him to his rest. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace and rise in Glory.

Carol Van Aken Opperl

Carol Opperl - January 03, 2022 at 03:08 PM

RG

“ *Just a memory. I recall Idus from the old neighborhood. He lived on Proctor St. Me on Yancey. Howard Wimberly, the young one around my age also lived on Proctor. Only good thoughts about this man. May he rest in peace. Seems like yesterday, time flies.*

Robert Gee - January 02, 2022 at 02:28 PM

GS

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Gene Smith - January 02, 2022 at 07:54 AM

JT

“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



John Tucker - January 01, 2022 at 12:43 PM