



Claude William "Buddy" Tooke

August 25, 1929 - February 28, 2020

Claude W. "Buddy" Tooke, 90 passed away in Crawfordville on February 28, 2020. He was born in Cedar Key, Florida in 1929 to the late John G. Tooke and Annie Milton Tooke. His father moved the family to St. Marks in 1937 where he was joined with his stepmother, the late Irene Helms Tooke. After graduating from Crawfordville High School, he joined the Navy and served on the Underwater Demolition Team-Navy Seals. After serving in the Navy for 7 years, he moved to Melbourne where he worked for Pan American Airways diving at Cape Canaveral, recovering missile parts. Then he moved to South Carolina where he helped open convenient stores, as well as his own. He also located property for dry cleaner locations in North Carolina and South Carolina. In 1980 he moved to St. Marks where he opened St. Marks Seafood.

In 1984 he met and married Susie Glover Carraway of Crawfordville and joined her in the real estate business. He was one of the developers/owners of Wildwood Golf Course. Buddy was an avid golfer and loved fresh-water fishing. He furnished fish for many fundraiser fish fries. He served on the Board of Governors at Shriners Hospital in Tampa for 9 years. He was a member of Crawfordville United Methodist Church, Crawford Lodge No. 294, 33 Degree Scottish Rite, Past Potentate of Marzuq Temple, Wakulla Shrine Club, York Rite Bodies, Order of Eastern Star and Royal Order of Jesters. He is preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Margaret Ray. He is

survived by his wife of 36 years, Susie Glover Tooke; two sons Richard Tooke (Sue), Philip Tooke (Kelley), and one daughter Susan Lutz (George, Sr.); three stepchildren, Cecil Carraway, Sheila Stephens and Brenda Carraway; grandchildren, Olivia Tooke, Scarlet Kasperbauer (Mike), Jacob Lutz (April), Jordan Lutz (Traci), Victoria DeLoach (Elijah), Juleah Lutz, and Jeremiah Lutz; step-grandchildren, Lindsey Perez (Andy), Sarah Smith (Mike), Keith Stephens (Lynnea), Danni Lafferty (Ronnie), Andi Hutto, George Lutz, Jr., Jackson Day and Jeremy Tinter (Katie). He has one sister, Sara Lawler of Pensacola, Florida; Several great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Crawfordville United Methodist Church, 176 Ochlockonee Street, Crawfordville, FL 32327 or Crawford Lodge 294, c/o David Boydston 52 Centipede Drive, Crawfordville, FL 32327.

David Conn and Kimberly Crum with Bevis Funeral Home of Crawfordville are assisting the family with arrangements. (850-926-3333, www.bevisfh.com)

Previous Events

Gathering

MAR 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Crawfordville United Methodist Church
Arran Road
Crawfordville, FL

Funeral Service

MAR 3. 11:00 AM (ET)

Crawfordville United Methodist Church
Arran Road
Crawfordville, FL

Tribute Wall



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Claude William "Buddy" Tooke.*



March 02, 2020 at 11:32 AM



“ *Buddy Tooke (my first cousin) lived a long and successful life. He and his wife Susie raised a wonderful family which has remained very close. Buddy loved playing golf and was a master fisherman. He caught so many fish he supplied them for many fund-raising fish fries. He was very outgoing, had many friends and enjoyed life to the fullest. He will be sorely missed by all who knew him.*
John Andrews

John Andrews - March 02, 2020 at 09:49 AM



“ *A good friend, brother, a Shriner's Shriner! Always a smile, a warm handshake, a kind word - he was a living example of a man's man. We will all miss him.*

John E Hunt, Jr. - March 02, 2020 at 08:50 AM



“ *Bud will be deeply missed --great seeing you and Susie last summer as you and Johnny celebrated your 90th birthday together!*



John Leon Dorsett - March 01, 2020 at 08:41 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Claude William "Buddy" Tooke.*



March 01, 2020 at 12:58 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Claude William "Buddy" Tooke.*



March 01, 2020 at 09:42 AM



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March 01, 2020 at 09:41 AM



“ *A class act. They didn't come any better
John and Joy Mooshie*

John Mooshie - March 01, 2020 at 08:31 AM

CJ

“ Cissy Jones lit a candle in memory of Claude William "Buddy" Tooke



Cissy Jones - March 01, 2020 at 01:02 AM

RH

“ Rick and Phil, so sorry for the loss of your father !! Prayers for the whole family. ❤️

Rhonda - February 29, 2020 at 06:51 PM

SL

Prayers sent to the family

Shirley Lindsey - February 29, 2020 at 07:02 PM

CM

“ A wonderful friend and Brother in many ways. We will all miss Buddy for his just being the man , brother and real friend he was. Buddy and I went way back , further than most would know. I love you my best friend. Rest In Peace. Curt McKenzie and Linda

curt mckenzie - February 29, 2020 at 05:36 PM

WH

“ Illustrious Sir Buddy has been a mentor to many Marzuq Potentates since his year of 1997. He always had a smile and a kind word for everyone. You will be missed, Noble Brother.

W BEN HART - February 29, 2020 at 12:51 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Claude William "Buddy" Tooke.*



February 29, 2020 at 12:17 PM



“ *Such a great loss to the community. Playing golf at Wilwood will never be the same without Buddy.*

Larry Strickland - February 29, 2020 at 10:51 AM



“ *Bettie J. (BJ) Golver lit a candle in memory of Claude William "Buddy" Tooke*



Bettie J. (BJ) Golver - February 29, 2020 at 10:42 AM



“ *Thinking of you, Buddy will be missed. Love, Bettie (BJ) and family...*

Bettie J. (BJ) Golver - February 29, 2020 at 10:42 AM

JM

“ Mike and I were saddened to learn of the death of Buddy. You are in our prayers. We will not be able to attend the funeral



Julia Meadowcroft - February 29, 2020 at 09:32 AM

CO

“ Calvin Osborne lit a candle in memory of Claude William "Buddy" Tooke



Calvin Osborne - February 29, 2020 at 07:59 AM

BS

“ We lost a friend, a brother and dedicated good man. I always looked at Buddy with much respect. Always smiling and willing to help out. He will truly be missed. Praying that God will give you comfort during this time.

Broward Sapp - February 28, 2020 at 10:20 PM

LT

“ His smile and kindness never changed hitting par, 10 over, 10 under. Mr. Buddy was an example of don't let it bring you down. There is another hole! I will always remember that. Meet you on the next hole Mr. Buddy. You left a footprint on my heart.

Laurie Tadlock - February 28, 2020 at 10:04 PM

MO

“ *Mark Oliver lit a candle in memory of Claude William "Buddy" Tooke*



Mark Oliver - February 28, 2020 at 08:36 PM

TH

“ *Tawanna Hays lit a candle in memory of Claude William "Buddy" Tooke*



Tawanna Hays - February 28, 2020 at 08:17 PM

TH

Buddy will certainly be missed by all his sisters and brothers in the fraternal organizations. He did a lot for us all. Prayers for you, Susie and all the family.

Tawanna Hays - February 28, 2020 at 08:21 PM

CC

“ *RIP Mr. Buddy, you will be missed by so many! Sending prayers for Susie and the family, love you all* ❤️❤️

Cheryl Creel - February 28, 2020 at 08:07 PM

AS

Susie, Rick and Phil, sincerest condolence in the passing of Buddy. Always smiling and cheerful. RIP friend.

Ron and Dee Spears

Austin R Spears - March 03, 2020 at 07:43 AM

ER

Rest in Eternal Peace our Green Brother. See ya on the other side in Frogman Heaven. HooYah! Erasmo "Doc" Riojas www.sealtwo.org

Erasmo Riojas - March 03, 2020 at 11:47 PM