



Francis (Tanny) Perkins Buford

April 11, 1935 - January 1, 2026

Francis (Tanny) Perkins Buford passed away on January 1, 2026. She was born on April 11, 1935; the sixth generation of her family born in Tallahassee, Florida. Tanny was a 1953 graduate of Leon High School and attended Florida State University where she was a member of Kappa Delta Sorority.

She is survived by her husband, Jack Buford, sons Grant Peeples, Winn Peeples (Heather), grandson Jordan Peeples (Ashley), great-granddaughter Sadie Peeples, and by marriage, Lewis Buford (Georgia), Alice Buford, Brian Proch (Julie), Jessica Fisch (Kevin), Casey Chaviano (Nick), Constance Buford Cammarata (Chris), Nikki Buford Trafton (Jack) and Matt Buford.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas Eugene Perkins and Betty Cochran Perkins, and her brother and sister-in-law Thomas Eugene Perkins and Mary Lynn Perkins.

The words she wrote and lived by were: "Being pleasant is not a trait that is dealt to you like blue eyes or curly hair. Being pleasant is a personal choice. It is a choice that must be reconfirmed daily. You choose to be pleasant because it makes you happy, and being happy makes you pleasant - a very rewarding circle."

Tanny was a member of Christ Church. Her funeral service will be graveside,

Oakland Cemetery, on Thursday, January 8, 2026 at 11:00 a.m.

In lieu of flowers, Tanny asked that memorial contributions be made to the Leon County Humane Society, Big Bend Hospice, or Christ Church.

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

Cemetery Details

Oakland Cemetery

838 N Bronough St
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JAN 8. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Francis (Tanny) Perkins Buford.



January 05 at 09:20 AM



“ The Cooks: Lamont, Johnnie and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Francis (Tanny) Perkins Buford.

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“ Deepest sympathies, The Rudd Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Francis (Tanny) Perkins Buford.



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“ Tanny was the first person I meet when we moved on the boat in Miami. Thank the lord she was. Tanny was always so kind to me and was always there to listen. I remember sitting on the boat with her petting Maya and her showing me how to sew a patch on a pair of shorts I had ripped. I still have the patch and so many wonderful memories of such a loving person.

Ali Adams Kishbaugh - January 03 at 08:33 AM

CD

I met Tanny in 1973 as my next-door neighbor and have loved her ever since. ❤️. She was godmother to my daughter, Tori, and my life will not be the same without her in it.

Carolyn Dean - January 03 at 10:07 AM

JA

“ I remember when Ron worked at the Cycle Shop, he met Jack, Grant, and Winn. We were invited to their house several times and Tanny was the sweetest lady, you couldn't help but love her. My condolences to Grant, Winn and their family. May Tanny rest in peace. Love from Jakki Allen

Jakki Allen - January 03 at 08:33 AM