



Harold R. Odom

March 24, 1926 - February 11, 2016

Harold R. Odom went to be with the Lord on February 11, 2016. Born in Bainbridge, GA on March 24, 1926, he was the son of Ralph E. and Ida Dixon Odom. The family moved to Leon County in 1928 and lived on the Tall Timbers Plantation for seven years. He began school at the one-room Strickland School. He attended grammar and high school in Tallahassee, graduating from Leon High in June 1943. During WW II, he served three years in the Atlantic, Pacific, and Mediterranean with the US Merchant Marines. After the war, he attended college at the Tallahassee Branch of the University of Florida and Florida State University. He graduated from the University of Florida in 1951. While at U of F, he was a member of the Architectural Honorary Fraternity Gargoyle, The Student Builder's Association, The White Friars and Theta Chi Fraternity.

After graduation, Harold was employed as a Construction Engineer in industrial construction for 15 years before entering into architectural practice of which 25 years was in Tallahassee. He served as chairman of the Tallahassee Plumbing Board, the Leon County Contractors Licensing Board, the Board of Adjustments and Appeals, and the State of Florida Asbestos Board. He was a long-time member of Saint Paul's United Methodist Church. He served as President of Springtime Tallahassee, Commodore of the St. Marks Yacht Club and was an active member of Tallahassee Kiwanis Club and the Masons.

He is preceded in death by his parents and Joyce J. Odom, his loving wife. He

is survived by his daughter, Janet Gallagher (Bradenton, FL); Greg Golden, step-son (Tallahassee); Blue Golden Smith, step- daughter (Kaneohe, HI). Also grandchildren Matthew Howard (Jacksonville), Geoffrey Howard (Jerusalem, Israel), Stephanie McAllister (Salisbury, MD) and Rachel Childs (Boston, MA) as well as 11 great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be Monday, February 15, 2016 from 5:00 – 7:00 PM at Bevis Funeral Home of Tallahassee. Funeral service will be on Tuesday, February 16, 2016 at 11:00 AM at Saint Paul's United Methodist Church. In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to the Big Bend Hospice, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd., Tallahassee, FL 32308.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **15**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Memorial Service

FEB **16**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Saint Paul's United Methodist Church
1700 North Meridian Road
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Tribute Wall



“ *Bevis Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Harold R. Odom*



Bevis Funeral Home - February 15, 2016 at 12:17 PM