



Harvey Cortez Williams

January 4, 1926 - June 23, 2017

Harvey Cortez Williams, 91, passed away peacefully on Friday, June 23, 2017, surrounded by his three children. Cort was born in Harbeson City, Florida on January 4, 1926, to Mamie and Harvey Williams. He spent his early years in Carrabelle, Florida and moved to Tallahassee in the seventh grade. After graduation from Leon High School in 1944, he enlisted in the Army, serving in the European Theater during World War II. He was a combat veteran of several major battles including the Battle of the Bulge. After his service, he returned to Tallahassee where he attended Lively Business School and Florida State University. He worked for the Florida Livestock Board and was later employed by the Standard Oil Company as an area representative and auditor.

He left Standard Oil to join the family florist and greenhouse business as co-owner of Artistic Flowers. He retired in 1994 after 38 years. After eight months of retirement and boredom, he went to work for Culley's Funeral Home where he worked for thirteen years, retiring at the age of 83.

He was a Mason (Harmony Lodge #3, Marianna, Florida), past member of the Tallahassee Rotary Club, Tallahassee 100 Club, Tallahassee Elks Lodge and Florida State Florist Association where he served as President, Treasurer, and on the Board of Directors. He was an active member of East Hill Baptist Church where he served as a deacon.

Cort was a loving husband, father and grandfather. He adored his family and was a true friend. He was a kind, thoughtful and humble man who gave much.

He was predeceased by his wife, Peggy, his brother Cliff and sister Gladys Ware. He is survived by his children, Brenda Williams of Tallahassee, Florida, son Stanley of Tallahassee, Florida, son Dave (Angie) of Opelika, Alabama, granddaughters Kate O'Quinn (Jason) of Birmingham, Cary Dailey (Josh) of Franklin, Tennessee, and grandson Rick of Gulf Breeze, Florida. He is also survived by his sister Eunice White of Pensacola, Florida, along with nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be Monday, June 26, 2017 from 10:00 am to 11:00 am with a service following at 11:00 am at East Hill Baptist Church on Miccosukee Road. Burial will be immediately following the service at Meadowwood Memorial Park on Timberlane Road.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to East Hill Baptist Church, 912 Miccosukee Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32308-5085. Susie Mozolic of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with their arrangements. (www.bevisfh.com 850-385-2193)

Cemetery Details

MeadowWood Memorial Park

700 Timberlane Rd.
Tallahassee, FL 32312

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

East Hill Baptist Church
912 Miccosukee Road
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Funeral Service

JUN **26**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *(Cortez) always known as Mr. Williams was like a second dad to my and all of Stan's close friends! He was always patient and soft-spoken even when we weren't such good kids and getting into mischief. I will miss him dearly he always will have a special place in my heart. Love Matt Kelley*

Matt kelley - June 25, 2017 at 10:11 AM