



## John A. Rogers, Jr

December 4, 1949 - January 11, 2025

John Alden Rogers, Jr., a longtime resident of Tallahassee, went home to be with his Lord and Savior on January 11th, 2025. He will be dearly missed by his wife of 52 years, Kathy Rogers; his son, John "Trip" Rogers; grandchildren Hunter, Lily, and William; his daughter-in-law, Julia; sister Jarue Rogers Cabezas; and 5 nieces and nephews.

John was born in Durham, NC on December 4th, 1949, to John Alden Rogers, Sr. and Willie Vogler Rogers. John attended Ocala High School, graduating in 1968. He then received degrees from Central Florida Junior College and Florida State University before receiving his J.D. from Florida State University.

John had an interest in government and politics from an early age. He first helped conduct polls at the age of 11 and went on to work on political campaigns across the state. He also served as a Cabinet aide to the State Treasurer & Insurance Commissioner. Following this, he worked for New York Life until beginning a career lobbying with the Florida Retail Federation, serving as Vice President and General Counsel.

He was very active in his church and in various service organizations and faith-based initiatives, including: Kiwanis, Seminole Boosters, and the Florida United Methodist General Conference. He served on the Board of Trustees for Bethune-Cookman University as well as on the Board of Directors for the

Leon County chapter of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He started several men's Bible studies.

A memorial service will be held at 3:00PM on Friday, January 17, 2025, at Bevis Funeral Home, 200 John Knox Road, with a reception immediately following.

Kelly Barber of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)) is assisting the Rogers family with their arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

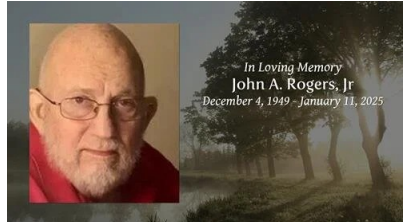
JAN 17. 3:00 PM (ET)

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

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bevis Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of John A. Rogers, Jr*



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**Bevis Funeral Home** - January 17, 2025 at 04:28 PM

LS

*I'll miss my friend and mentor. John was a second father to me. I came to FSU as green untraveled as a rock. John mentored me and really took me under his wings. As a young black male unexperienced, I'll never forget the day he Bill Kundrat took me Nick's Toggery for my first custom suit. He called to check on me regularly and ask about my family. He was one of a kind. Hope he's enjoying some good bbq on the other. Love you Leroy*

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**Leroy Sutton** - January 19, 2025 at 10:28 PM



“ *Bevis Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of John A. Rogers, Jr*



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**Bevis Funeral Home** - January 17, 2025 at 02:08 PM

PR

*A beautiful tribute to a beautiful cousin and to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I regret I was not able to make the trip but I so appreciate the streaming. I'm sure Gordon has done welcome John to their heavenly home. They loved each other and enjoyed FSU football as Gordon played football their in 62-63 and John loved it and politics as they are both republicans. Of coarse in heaven they have their new bodies and probably not oval anymore and may have more important things to talk about. I don't know but I do know we will see them again and what a day of rejoicing that will be. Love you. Praying for you. Thanks Tripp and thanks Bevis funeral home God bless*

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**Phyllis Raulerson** - January 17, 2025 at 04:15 PM

TR

*“ I will miss John as a friend and as a mentor. The last time I saw him and Kathy was in Monticello at a local hunting and fishing store. Even though I could tell he wasn't feeling well, he still was his jovial self. John was a Christian gentleman and you could rely on him. I have many funny stories but the one that stands out deals with North Carolina B-B-Q which he lived and well versed in. He knew I was traveling to NC for business and he asked me to bring back B-B-Q from a certain restaurant up there. I did and brought it back on the plane. He was thrilled and even gave me a historic picture of President Jefferson Davis which I framed. So John thanks for all the wonderful memories. Tom Randle*

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**Tom Randle** - January 25, 2025 at 04:37 PM

CH

*“ John was a large part of "team grocery" when we needed someone to navigate the often unusual legislative and regulatory waters in Tallahassee. Randy, Ed and I had more success with John on the team. I'll miss his counsel.*

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**Clayton Hollis** - January 19, 2025 at 04:19 PM

RH

“ I am saddened to hear my Buddy has passed but I know he has his eyes on us from a much better place. My heart goes out to Cathy and all of the family. If it were not for John I would not be married to the wonderful woman that is my life. I owe my good fortune totally to John and will always be most grateful for that phone call he made to me ten years ago. Friendships like the one I shared with John do not come along often. Good Buddy, we will miss you.

Randy Hutton - January 18, 2025 at 05:06 PM

LI

“ John was a good friend for many years. I will miss our conversations and reminiscences of the past. Praying for comfort for Kathy and all of John's family.

Linda LeVines Winchenbach

Linda - January 17, 2025 at 10:00 AM

ED

“ Kathy, Tripp, Julia and family: Please accept my sincere condolences in the passing of Cousin John. He was always a good and gracious man. His faith is now sight. Love and prayers to all of you.

Elder Jason Deal - January 16, 2025 at 06:45 PM

TO

“ Team Orange purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of John A. Rogers, Jr.



Team Orange - January 16, 2025 at 08:38 AM

RR

“ John was a lovely man with a heart for God. He was one of the first folks in the lobbying corps to congratulate me when I became a dad. For years later he checked on me and always asked how my son, Tripp was doing. We shared our love of the Methodist Church and our families.

Rich Rasmussen - January 15, 2025 at 10:38 PM



“ Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of John A. Rogers, Jr.



January 15, 2025 at 09:54 PM



“ John did much for Florida. He will be missed very much.



Jeana French - January 15, 2025 at 07:53 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of John A. Rogers, Jr.



January 14, 2025 at 07:18 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of John A. Rogers, Jr.

January 14, 2025 at 07:18 PM



“ John was one of a kind. He was always a good friend and I enjoyed knowing him as we grew through elementary school, middle school and high school. Rest in peace 😞 Rose Myers Roberts

Rose Myers Roberts - January 14, 2025 at 03:22 PM



“ John Alden and I became friends as young church goers at Druid Hills Methodist Church. Throughout the adventures at MYF, Sunday School, and times spent at each other's homes and with friends, we had long serious talks, long silly discussions, and times spent with his dad. John Alden was a dear individual, filled with love, compassion, intelligence and humor, and I always admired his character. The family will be in my prayers for a long time.

Sherry Riddle - January 14, 2025 at 03:12 PM



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Sandra Schwalb - January 14, 2025 at 01:54 PM



Thanks for sharing this recent picture.

Debbie Dunn - January 14, 2025 at 03:49 PM

JS

*With sympathy and Blessings to John's family. John will be missed by many. ❤️🙏*

*Ken and June Stivers*

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**June Stivers** - January 16, 2025 at 09:23 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of John A. Rogers, Jr.*



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January 14, 2025 at 01:13 PM