



Larry David Wood, Sr., Ph.D.

June 12, 1946 - June 7, 2021

Larry David Wood, Sr., Ph.D, passed away on June 7, 2021, in Tallahassee. Larry was born on June 12, 1946, in Atlanta, GA to Jessie and Bloise Wood. After moving to Tallahassee as a child, he graduated from Leon High School and Florida State University and went on to serve in the Army and Army Reserve. Larry enjoyed a long and varied career in state government, serving as Inspector General, Division Director, Bureau Chief, Senate Staff Director and Chief Operating Officer at various times. He also enjoyed several encore careers after retiring from the state.

Always up to a challenge, Larry was an avid fitness guru, taught martial arts, tried hang gliding, zip lining, flying ultralight planes and ran his first sprint triathlon at age 52. He loved fishing, scuba diving, hiking, cooking, gardening, and kayaking, among other things. Larry was an active member of Immanuel Baptist Church and later of Faith Presbyterian Church. He had a heart for church missions and traveled around the world spreading God's love.

Larry always had a smile on his face and a joke to tell. He always made a friend in any crowd. He was patient and loving and knew when to give advice and when to listen. He was willing to help anyone at any time. Larry's favorite roles in life were husband, father, brother, grandfather, uncle, and friend to so many. He is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Betsy; his children Shannon Ferguson (Joe), David (Theresa), Brooke Adkins (Brian), Maggie (Jess), and stepdaughter Katie Williams (Christian); his 11 grandchildren and one great grandchild. He is also survived by a sister, Sheila Roach, and two

brothers, Gene and Ricky.

A memorial service will be held at 2:00 PM, Thursday, June 17, 2021, at Faith Presbyterian Church, 2200 N. Meridian Road, with a reception immediately following in the fellowship hall. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Marion Medical Mission (Africa) <https://www.mmmwater.org/donate> or Porch de Salomon (Guatemala) <https://porchdesalomon.org/donate/> Kelly Barber of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or www.bevisfh.com) is assisting the Wood family with their arrangements.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN 17. 2:00 PM (ET)

Faith Presbyterian Church
2200 North Meridian Rd.
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Reception

JUN 17. 2:45 PM (ET)

Faith Presbyterian Church
2200 North Meridian Rd.
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Tribute Wall

MC

“ Sending love and prayers 🤍🙏
“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and
peace in believing, so that by the power of the
Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.” Romans
15:13 ESV
Marie Clewis



Marie Clewis - June 18, 2021 at 08:07 AM

JA

“ Juhan, Pat, Corinne and Adrian purchased the S
ummer's Light Bouquet for the family of Larry
David Wood, Sr., Ph.D..



Juhan, Pat, Corinne and Adrian - June 16, 2021 at 03:11 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for
the family of Larry David Wood, Sr., Ph.D..



June 14, 2021 at 06:23 PM