



Leon Preston Powell

December 7, 1942 - April 9, 2020

Leon Preston Powell, 77, died on April 9, 2020 at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital from complications following a fall. He was born on December 7, 1942 in Thomasville, GA to Leon S. Powell and Mattie Williams Powell. Leon graduated from Thomasville High School in Thomasville, GA in 1960. Following graduation, he served in the Army National Guard and graduated from Birdwood College, which is now known as Thomas University. He was preceded in death by his parents, grandparents and several aunts and uncles. Survivors include his sister, Sherry Powell (Sunny Atwood), Tallahassee, FL, sister, Jan Powell, Tallahassee, FL, half-brother, Marvin Downing (Iris), Lecanto, FL, Aunt, Kathryn Wester, Pavo, GA, daughter, Sharon Powell Slaughter (Phil), Thomasville, GA, grandson, Zachary Sherrod, Thomasville, GA, grandson, Spencer Sherrod (Hannah Drew), Thomasville, GA and his great-grandson, Sawyer Sherrod, Thomasville, GA, who made him smile bigger than anyone else ever did. He was also survived by many cousins that he loved dearly.

Leon worked in the real estate business in Mobile, AL and with Founders Life Insurance through the Henry Sutton Agency in Tifton GA for several years prior to a career with the State of Florida where he retired from The Department of Transportation.

In recent years, as an avid organizer and participant in Nascar and football pools at the Salty Dog in Tallahassee, Leon had many good times and good friends.

Leon cared greatly for keeping his family connected. He never forgot a birthday and was always the impetus behind both Williams and Powell family get-togethers to celebrate birthdays at his favorite Tallahassee steak house, Longhorn's. Leon will be missed, but fondly remembered by family and friends.

A memorial service will be held Sunday, December 6th, 2020 at Bevis Funeral Home Chapel at 1:00 p.m. Inurnment will follow at Sunset Cemetery in Thomasville, Georgia at 2:30 p.m. Susie Mozolic of Bevis Funeral Home is assisting the family with their arrangements. (www.bevisfh.com 850-385-2193)
THE FAMILY REQUEST NO FLOWERS BE SENT.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 6. 1:00 PM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall

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“ Butch was not only a special person, he was my cousin. He always put others first ... especially his family. Wonderful memories of him will give us all peace and comfort today and everyday.

*Rest In Eternal Peace, Butch
Cousin Debbie*

Debbie Maddox - April 11, 2020 at 04:47 PM

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“ I was 13 years old when Butch was born. He always wanted to go with me wherever I went. I used to put him in a little basket on the front of my bicycle and ride him around all over the place. He was and always will be “My Lil’ Man.” Butch, I love you to the Moon and back. ❤️

*Rest In Eternal Peace,
Aunt Kaki*

Kathryn Wester - April 11, 2020 at 04:30 PM

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“ Please come back to see Leon's obituary. It has not yet been posted by Bevis, but will be very soon.

And, please, do NOT send flowers at this time. We will schedule a memorial service after the public health emergency has ended.

*Thank you,
Jan Powell*

I am Leon's little sister. He called me "BM" to make me mad when I was little, which he said was short for BIG MOUTH.

Jan Powell - April 11, 2020 at 10:31 AM