



Rodney K. Trotman

July 23, 1947 - December 5, 2023

Rodney K. Trotman, age 76 entered into rest December 5, 2023. Rodney was a lifelong resident of Tallahassee. He was a graduate of Leon High School class of 1965. Rodney worked for the State of Florida Division of Revenue and retired as a Tax Specialist with the Division of Highway Safety. He was a founding member of Christ Church Tallahassee.

Rodney and Edith met in 1966 while attending North Florida Junior College. They married 3 years later and had 2 wonderful children. They lived in Tallahassee almost their entire married life except for 1 year in 1977 when they lived at Edith's father's federal game farm. When they bought their now almost 100-year-old McNeill house, in Lafayette Park. Rodney became an avid gardener. Previously growing food, he began to grow flowers, and raise chickens. He loved feeding the birds every morning and trying to outsmart the squirrels which he never did. He always looked forward to his annual Halloween, Christmas and occasional St. Patrick's Day parties. He would spend hours preparing menus and food, never caring much for decorations. To him it was all about the food.

He was proud of Kim and her talent and love of golf. And the special golf trips that we went on as a family. He was proud of Hal starting his own lawn and tree business after working together since Hal was 5. He loved to be on Hal's job sites watching trees come down.

He loved weekends at Alligator Point, day trips to St. George Island in his old Bronco, and fishing with brothers, cousins, buddies and Hal and Austin. He went to FSU football games for years with the Bill's Bookstore Crowd, and then later had family football parties with Kim.

Rodney was proud to be a founding member of Christ Church, where he served as an usher and occasionally provided refreshments after the service. He assisted Edith with her altar flower arrangements, rarely using anything not grown in their garden.

Rodney was preceded in death by his parents John Carl Trotman and Janie Lou Bradshaw Trotman; brothers LeRoy and Wilbur; sisters Sylvia and Pat. Survivors include his wife of 54 years Edith Cummins Trotman of Tallahassee; daughter Kimberly Trotman of Tallahassee; son Hal Trotman (Kerrie) of Tallahassee; grandson Austin of Tallahassee; brother John Trotman and his wife Shirley of Tallahassee; three sisters Joan Stout and her husband Gary of Tallahassee, Joyce Wages of Valley, Alabama, Daisey Barker and husband Ian of Tallahassee.

A Celebration of Life service will be held 11:00 a.m. Thursday, January 11, 2023, at Christ Church Tallahassee, 2100 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Christ Church Tallahassee or the Alzheimer's Association P.O. Box 96011 Washington, DC. 20090-6011

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

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN 11. 11:00 AM (ET)

Christ Church Tallahassee
2100 Thomasville Road
Tallahassee, FL 32308

Tribute Wall

LS

“ Rod was always a sweet guy in high school. He was a friend to all. He will be missed by his classmates, friends and especially his family. My heart goes out to Edith and family for peace and comfort as she endures the rest of her life journey, but keeping his spirit close in heart.

Liz Simmons - February 01, 2024 at 07:23 AM

LT

“ Rodney was an extra special person. He cared about everyone and was always available to help, to share a story and to make people laugh. He was a faithful friend to my brother John. They were childhood friends and from the time Johnny had his stroke 15 years ago Rodney never failed to stop by Johnny's house to visit. He would visit in the hospital when necessary or call to check up on how things were going. True friends who stick by you no matter what are few and far between. Johnny and all the Teague family miss him greatly.

Linda Teague - January 11, 2024 at 09:37 AM

KM

“ Rodney was an incredible neighbor. Always kind and caring. He showed interest in our lives - asking about our activities, showing care for our family members, and helping whenever he could. His cheerful hello and charming smile will be so missed on our daily walks by his lovely home. Our love and prayers are earnestly offered on behalf of Edith and his loved ones.

Kathy Mears - January 03, 2024 at 07:32 PM

MD

“ Rodney was "One of a Kind" for sure. Always willing to help a friend. One of the most resourceful people I have ever know. We love Rodney and his excellent family. Moe and Nancy Davis

Moe Davis - December 16, 2023 at 12:13 PM

SC

“ I've known Rodney all my life and we graduated from Leon together. Great person, always helpful and my best tribute is "A good old boy" Bye brother Rodney I'll see you on the other side.

Sid Cooper - December 10, 2023 at 09:08 AM

LS

My heart goes out to Edith and family. I will always remember Rodney at Leon with his friendly manner and big smile. I enjoyed visiting with him and Edith at our reunions. He will be missed.

Liz Essig Simmons - January 04, 2024 at 07:27 AM

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“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



T. Michael Hines - December 09, 2023 at 12:06 PM

JS

“ Rodney's spot in his Lafayette Park village will always be saved with such fondness. 🌸

Julianna Stanton - December 09, 2023 at 09:46 AM