



## Tony "Bill" Ward

April 24, 1926 - March 14, 2021

Tony "Bill" Ward, 94, of St. Marks passed away at home on March 14, 2021. Bill was born in St. Marks to Jack and Ruby (Linton) Ward. He went to work at an early age delivering The Grit Paper. He joined the Navy during World War II and came home to join his dad as a commercial fisherman. He went on to work for Tenneco for nine years on the Viking Prince tugboat. During those years, he helped to build the St. Marks Baptist Church. In 1966, he helped open San Marcos De Apalachee State Historic sight. He loved to tell everyone stories about the fort. He retired from the fort after 27 years. He was then able to help his family with their fish market help take care of his granddaughter, Tracey. Bill also enjoyed fishing and hunting around St. Marks. Bill spent a lot of time walking around his beloved community. He loved to visit with neighbors and take cuttings from their flower bushes and trees.

Bill is survived by his wife of 57 years, Helen Mock Ward; his sons, Tony Ward and Keith Ward (Liz); grandchildren, Tracey (Brian), Jesse and Travis; sister, Elna Sapp. He is preceded in death by his parents and three brothers, Little Jack, Jim and Eddie Ward.

A graveside service will be held on Friday, March 19, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at the St. Marks Cemetery.

David Conn and Kimberly Crum with Bevis Funeral Home are assisting the family with arrangements. (850-926-3333, [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com))

# Cemetery Details

## St. Marks Cemetery

St. Marks, FL 32355

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

MAR 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ *Some of my fondest memories are of hunting with Bill and my grand dad, Frank Buchanan. I learned lessons about hunting that have lasted a life time.*

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**Jeffery Smith** - March 18, 2021 at 09:35 AM