



Walter Cornelius Funderburk

November 26, 1921 - May 14, 2016

Walter Cornelius Funderburk, Jr., 94, of Tallahassee, Florida, passed away May 14, 2016. Born in McIntyre, Florida, he graduated from Leon High School and Emory University where he was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity. Mr. Funderburk, a veteran of WWII, served in the Navy. He was a longtime member and deacon at Trinity United Methodist Church. He was also a member of the American Chemical Society, Sunrise Optimist Club, and Springtime Tallahassee. An analytical, production and research Chemist with Owens Illinois Glass Pulp and Paper Division, in Jacksonville, Florida, he retired from the Florida Dept. of Agriculture and Consumer services as a Food Chemist in 1987.

“Walt” as known by family and friends, was a loving and generous husband, father and grandfather. He enjoyed traveling, fishing and cheering for the Seminoles. He had a heart for the less fortunate and quietly gave to those in need.

Mr. Funderburk is preceded in death by his wife of 67 years, Kathleen “Kitty” Funderburk. He is survived by his children, Dr. Paul and Mary Ellen Funderburk of Gainesville, Carol and Dr. Mark Bird of Monticello, and Nancy and Rodney Palmer of Oviedo; and grandchildren, Matthew Funderburk, Allison Palmer and Sammy Palmer.

Visitation will be at Bevis Funeral Home, 2710 N. Monroe Street, Tallahassee, FL 32303 on Friday, May 20, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. The memorial service will be held on Saturday, May 21, at Trinity United Methodist Church, 120 W. Park Avenue, Tallahassee, FL 32301, at 2:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to Big Bend Hospice of Tallahassee, 1723 Mahan Center Blvd, Tallahassee, FL 32308. Elizabeth Emmanuel and Susie Mozolic of Bevis Funeral Home are assisting the family with their arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

Memorial Service

MAY 21. 2:00 PM (ET)

Trinity United Methodist Church
120 West Park Avenue
Tallahassee, FL 32303

Tribute Wall

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“ Mr. Funderburk was head usher back in the 1980s when I first joined Trinity United Methodist Church. I considered him and his wife, Kitty, personal friends from the beginning as they were both such kind and warm individuals. One memory that stands out for me was after I had my first child in 1985. Mr. Funderburk was always there in church to assist me with a new infant. He would bring me communion, bring me a bulletin. and always had took time to speak to me. He will be missed! My love and prayers go out to his family. With warm regards, Ann Jenkins

Ann Jenkins - May 21, 2016 at 06:29 AM

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“ Walt was one of the sweetest men I have ever met. He always had a kind word no matter how he felt. I had the pleasure of spending time with him at Harbor Chase as a volunteer when he was under Covenant Hospice care. I often gave him a neck massage when I saw him. He was just such a loving person and now will be with Kitty who he loved so much.

Frances Powell - May 18, 2016 at 08:57 AM