



Donald Hicks

January 3, 1936 - May 21, 2021

Donald Ray Hicks, 86 of Ocala, FL January 3rd, 1935 - May 21, 2021, Held closely in the hearts of his wife and children, peacefully passed away on May 21. Don was born in 1935 to Austin Ray Hicks and Dorothy Phillips Hicks in Louisville, KY. These humble beginnings instilled the value of hard work and a tremendous resiliency in Donald which, when combined with his sharp mind and spirit, led to a lifetime of personal successes. He graduated in 1954 at J.M. Atherton High School. He served in the Navy on the U.S.S. Essex CVA-9 Air Craft Carrier from 1954-1958. He worked in the FAA as an Air Traffic Controller. Don was a natural athlete who played golf, baseball, bowling and Jai Alai as well as coaching his sons baseball teams. Don owned and trained harness horses which he raced and enjoyed during his retirement. He is survived by his loving wife Dorothy Alice of 62 years, children Terry Lee Hicks, Martha "Marty" Lela Nottingham (Steve) and adored grandson Sean Steven Nottingham (Hannah), sister, Myra Thompson (Bob), brother Dennis "Wayne" Hicks (Laura), he loved his extended family and cherished their ties. He is preceded in death by his son, Anthony "Tony" Ray Hicks, Tony's wife Kelly, mother Dorothy Ruth Hicks, sister Judith "Judy" vonClef, brother James "Jimmy" Hicks. Donald Ray Hicks will be missed by all who knew him. Graveside service will be held Friday, May 21, 2021 at 2:00pm Good Shepherd Memorial Gardens 5050 SW 20th Street Ocala, FL 34474

Tribute Wall



“ *I love you Daddy!* ”

Marty Nottingham - May 28, 2021 at 12:00 AM