



Rupert Caviness

September 11, 1930 - May 3, 2016

Rev. Rupert N. Caviness Jr. was born September 11, 1930 in Ocala, FL and died May 3, 2016 at Estelle's Hospice House in Ocala, Florida. He is survived by his wife of 58 years Anne Peterson Caviness, daughters Carol (Glenn) Cameron and Nancy (Doug) Johnson; Grandchildren Austin Douglas Johnson, Jackson Caviness Johnson, Courtney Anne Cameron, Madison Katherine Johnson and Colton James Cameron; his sister Charline Caviness (Trusty) Drake; sister in law Jane Peterson (Joe) Gonzalez; nieces Elizabeth Anne Drake (David) Lancaster, Laura Drake (Bartow) McDonald, Lisa Ann Gonzalez Bradley, Linda Kay Gonzalez, Laura Jean Gonzalez Bradley; nephew Robert Polk (LeeAnne) Drake; 7 great nephews, 4 great nieces; 2 great great nieces and 1 great great nephew. He was preceded in death by his parents Rupert N. and Euna (Ingram) Caviness. Mr. Caviness grew up in Ocala and graduated from Ocala High School in 1948. He attended the University of Florida and was a member of the Kappa Alpha fraternity. In 1950 he enlisted in the United States Air Force during the Korean War. After 4 years of military service he returned to the University of Florida and graduated with a BS in Business in 1957. He returned to Ocala to work for his father at Caviness Buick. In 1960 he answered a call to ministry and entered Candler Seminary at Emory University graduating with a Master of Divinity degree in 1963. He served as a United Methodist Minister within the Florida Conference for 30 years serving in 9 different churches during that time. He served on many conference and district committees during his years as a minister. He

was a member of Ocala Rotary Club, Mt. Dora Kiwanis Club, Dade City Rotary Club, Ocala Chamber of Commerce, Ocala Elks Club, and the American Legion. He loved God, his family, and his friends. He liked cars, working in the yard, taking pictures, genealogy searches and using his computer. He was extremely proud of his family and loved to spend time with them at home, Drake Ranch, Boca Grande and North Carolina. Memorial Services will be held at 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, May 10th at First United Methodist Church Ocala, Florida.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My day was always brightened when Mr.& Mrs. Caviness would enter our office. Mr.Caviness was so sweet, soft spoken, and clearly a man that loved the Lord. My prayers are with you and your family Mrs. Caviness. May God bless you. Lynnette Atkinson ARNP*

Lynnette Atkinson - May 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM