



Charles Vaughn Sr.

August 29, 1945 - November 18, 2025

Charles Allen Vaughn Sr. 80 years of age, passed away on November 18, 2025. Born August 29, 1945 to the late Robert Allen Vaughn and Winnie Bennett Smith Vaughn in McRae, Georgia. Always known for his quiet, tender, kind, and sweet soul.

Charles and family moved to Gainesville, Florida where he graduated high school at Gainesville High. After high school he enlisted in the United States Army for 2 years. Moving back to McRae, Georgia in his twenties, he worked for his Uncle Cliff at Vaughn's Furniture. He then met and married the love of his life Racheal Agnes Brown of Alamo, Georgia. Charles & Racheal moved to Steinhatchee, Florida in 1984, where he was self-employed as a commercial fisherman and crabber. His passion for boating inspired him to open Steinhatchee Boat Works. Quality boat repairs made his business successful for thirty plus years.

Charles was known to be a “workaholic”, however, he always made time for his family and the activities that they loved like hunting and fishing together. He was a wonderful father, grandfather, and husband.

Charles is preceded in death by his loving wife, Racheal of 46 years, his mother & father, brothers Robert D. Vaughn, Johnny C. Vaughn and James D. Vaughn.

He is survived by: Children, Jimmy (Marilyn) Vaughn of Alachua, FL, Charles Vaughn, Jr. of Twin Falls, ID and Amanda (Christopher) Shipp of Mayo, FL; Sisters, Maryneal Langford of Gainesville, FL, Wynelle Hovis of Gainesville, FL, and Sherry (Ron) Herget of Naples, FL; Grandchildren Joshua (Meagan) Vaughn, Jordan (Jason) Scott, Katie Vaughn, Taylor Vaughn, Summer Vaughn, Winnie Vaughn, Brandon Shipp, Dalton Shipp and Elaina Shipp; eight great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews.

Charles will be greatly missed and will forever be in our memories.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, November 22, 2025 at the Rick Gooding Funeral Home Cross City, Florida Chapel with Bro. Wayne Philman officiating. Visitation will be one hour prior to the service.

Burial will be at Mt. Olive Cemetery in Helena, Georgia.

Arrangements have been placed under the care of Rick Gooding Funeral Home Cross City Chapel, with locations in Cross City 352-498-5400 and Chiefland 352-493-0050. Please sign the online guest book at rickgoodingfuneralhomes.com

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **22**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Rick Gooding Funeral Home Cross City
16984 SE Hwy 19
Cross City, FL 32628
(352) 498-5400

Funeral Service

NOV **22**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Rick Gooding Funeral Home Cross City Chapel
16984 SE Hwy 19
Cross City, FL 32628

Tribute Wall



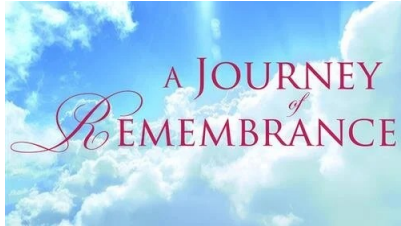
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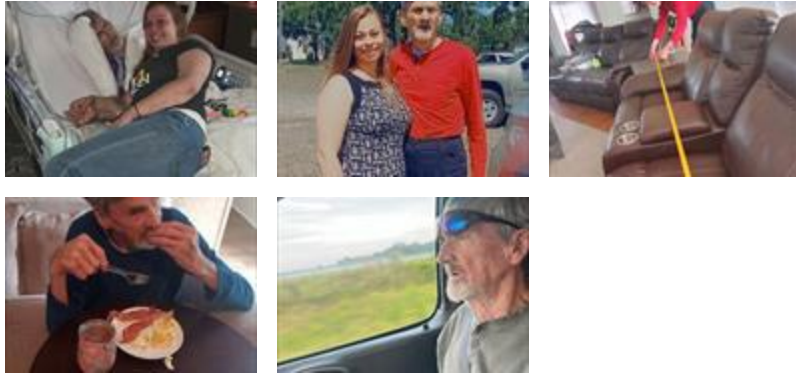
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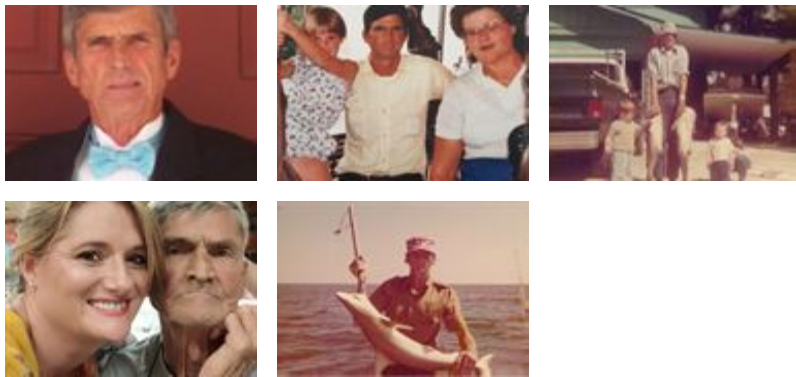
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Taylor Snellgrove - November 22, 2025 at 08:46 PM



“ 119 files added to the album Life Tributes



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“ Rest in peace Uncle Charles. The family won't be the same without you. We all love and miss you. Alan R.

Alan Rodgers - November 20, 2025 at 06:48 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album *Memories from youth.*



Alan Rodgers - November 20, 2025 at 06:45 PM

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“ *I remember going to his house in Georgia and him cooking up some good vineson that he had hunted. Actually I believe Aunt Rachel cooked it but he had hunted it lol . That is why I like vineson today. They were both great hosts when we visited and made us feel so welcome!*

Tina Bailes niece - November 20, 2025 at 01:52 PM

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“ *Tina B. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Charles Vaughn Sr..*

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