



## Danny Bell Sr.

November 15, 1947 - May 26, 2025

Daniel Joseph Bell Sr., 77, of Old Town, Florida, passed away on May 26, 2025. Born on November 15, 1947, to Mr. Joseph Milton Bell and Mrs. Dorothy Lee Bell in Lake City, Florida, Danny lived a life defined by hard work, service, and love for those around him.

A proud veteran of the United States Army, he dedicated himself to serving his country before returning to a quiet life of farming—where he found joy in the land and the simple beauty of nature. Later, he continued his lifelong commitment to integrity and service through his work at Mayo Correctional Institution, where he retired after years of dedication.

But above all, Danny loved his family. His children, Daniel Joseph Bell Jr., Jeremy Duane Bell, Daniel Wayne Bell, and Holly Allen. His grandchildren, Hillary and Logan, and his great-granddaughter, McKinley, brought him immeasurable joy, and he carried immense pride in each of them.

Danny was a storyteller, a hard worker, a man who laughed easily and listened deeply. He leaves behind not just a legacy of service but a lifetime of love—a love that will carry on in his family's hearts, in the stories told, in the lessons passed down, and in every sunset over the fields he once tended. Danny was more than his titles—he was a man of kindness, strength, and wisdom. Whether tending to his farm or sharing stories, he had a way of

making those around him feel valued and heard. His presence brought warmth, and his legacy will live on through the countless lives he touched. He is deeply missed by his family, friends, and all who had the privilege of knowing him. May his spirit live on in every seed sown and every story told in his honor.

Funeral services for Danny will be held at 3:00 PM on Friday, May 30, 2025 at the McCalls United Methodist Church in Branford, Florida with Rev James H. Howes officiating. Interment will follow at the McCalls United Methodist Church Cemetery. Family will receive friends one hour prior to the service at the church.

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](http://rickgoodingfuneralhomes.com)

# Cemetery Details

## McCall's Chapel Cemetery

7755 S State Road 349  
Branford, FL 32008

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 30.** 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

McCall's Chapel United Methodist Church  
7755 S State Road 349  
Branford, FL 32008

## Funeral Service

**MAY 30.** 3:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Rick Gooding Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Danny Bell Sr.* ”



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**Rick Gooding Funeral Homes** - June 03, 2025 at 09:10 AM



“ *A man who has impacted so many in positive ways.* ”

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**Robin Jocelyn** - June 27, 2025 at 04:14 PM