



Earlene Crews

September 29, 1939 - November 9, 2023

Earlene Campbell Crews, 84, passed away on November 9, 2023 at home after an extended illness. "Mrs. Earlene" as she was affectionately known, was born in Cedar Key on September 29, 1939 to Geneva Baird and Earl Campbell. Her family moved to Chiefland in 1953 and they operated the popular hang out, "The Chiefland Drive-In."

She graduated from Chiefland High School in 1957. After graduation, she attended the Valdez Beauty School in Tampa and later worked at Ida Mae's Beauty Shop. On April 10, 1961 she married Lonnie S. "Buddy" Crews and was married for 54 years before his passing in 2015. She lived in Levy County her entire life, they were in business for 35 years before retirement in 1995 and she helped him with every aspect of their businesses. She cherished her family more than anything, especially her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Over the years she enjoyed shopping for them as well. She was the happiest when she could help others, provide a dish for a church function or listening to gospel music.

Mrs. Earlene was survived by, two sons, Steven (Shelia) of Chiefland, Shelton (Dawn) of Tallahassee; Four grandchildren, Alyssa Crews Howard (Brock), Brian Crews, Cole Crews (Emily), Nicole Crews, Kelby and Caden Hudson; Two great-granddaughters, Leighton and Layne Howard. Sister, Bonnie Cleland (Robbie) of Savannah; Brothers, Grinnell Campbell (Joann) and

Edwin (Jane) of Alachua; Brother-in-Law, Jim White, Fanning Springs and Sister-In-Law, Lori Barker, her children, Lauren (Josh) Phillips & Brynley and Zach (Maddie) Barker and numerous cousins, nieces and nephews.

Mrs. Earlene was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Buddy, and a brother, Oz Barker.

The family would like to thank her caregivers, Jan Beauchamp, Raquel Rood and the staff at Community Hospice for the unbelievable care Mrs. Earlene received.

Funeral service for Earlene will be held at 11:00 AM Monday, November 13, 2023 at the Hardeetown Baptist Church 1716 N.W. 14th St. – Chiefland, FL with Rev. Travis Hudson and Rev. Tom Keisler officiating. Interment will follow at the Chiefland Cemetery. Visitation will be held between 10:00 AM and 11:00 AM the day of the service at the Hardeetown Baptist Church.

You may also make a donation to Haven Hospice, Chiefland or Community Hospice, 4266 Sunbeam Road, Jacksonville, FL, 32257.

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

Cemetery Details

Chiefland Cemetery

520 Southeast 5th Avenue
chiefland, FL 32626

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Hardeetown Baptist Church
1716 NW 14th Street
Chiefland, FL 32626

Funeral Service

NOV 13. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Rick Gooding Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Earlene Crews



Rick Gooding Funeral Homes - November 13, 2023 at 01:37 PM

JM

Wonderful words spoken.

jill Graham May - November 14, 2023 at 12:16 AM

JM

Thank you for sharing this video for the ones who loved this whole family but couldn't attend. Beautiful

Jill Graham May - November 14, 2023 at 12:19 AM

DS

“ DeAnne Poore Sheffield lit a candle in memory of Earlene Crews



DeAnne Poore Sheffield - April 18, 2025 at 05:41 PM

DS

“ Ms. Earlene was one of the sweetest person I have meet. My mother was adopted come to find out Ms.Earlene was her cousin. I only wish that we found out sooner. So we may of had more time together to know our family better.She opened her arms with a big hug loved us all right from the first meeting. Thank you Ms Earlene hope you and mom cross paths up in heaven love you DeAnne

DeAnne Poore Sheffield - April 18, 2025 at 05:40 PM

TS

“ Thoughts and prayers to Shelton and the entire Crews family.

Tim Sims - November 13, 2023 at 10:32 AM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Earlene Crews.



November 12, 2023 at 05:28 PM

CL

“ Chad and Michele Langford planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Earlene Crews.

Chad and Michele Langford - November 12, 2023 at 05:28 PM

DH

“ Prayers for her family.

D.Ray & Diana Harrison - November 11, 2023 at 07:22 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Earlene Crews.*



November 10, 2023 at 05:16 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Earlene Crews.*



November 10, 2023 at 04:16 PM



“ *Don & Selaina Porter planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Earlene Crews.*

Don & Selaina Porter - November 10, 2023 at 04:16 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Earlene Crews.*



November 10, 2023 at 02:35 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Earlene Crews.*



November 10, 2023 at 02:12 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Earlene Crews.*



November 10, 2023 at 11:06 AM



“ *Love Gamma Eta planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Earlene Crews.*

Love Gamma Eta - November 10, 2023 at 11:06 AM



“ *Jim & Christy Donovan purchased the Serene Re treat for the family of Earlene Crews.*



Jim & Christy Donovan - November 10, 2023 at 10:51 AM

DF

“ *Dwayne Donnell and Family purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Earlene Crews.*



Dwayne Donnell and Family - November 10, 2023 at 10:17 AM

BS

“ *betty Sanders lit a candle in memory of Earlene Crews*



betty Sanders - November 10, 2023 at 09:19 AM