



## James Hudson

December 7, 1963 - September 10, 2025

James Richard Hudson, 61, Jim sadly passed away on September 10, 2025 at UF Health Shands, Gainesville, FL from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident.

He was a dedicated family man, a loving husband, great father, caring friend and the most amazing Papa Jim to his grandchildren. He and his family also welcomed many children over the years into their home that needed the love and support of a family.

Driven by an endless thirst for knowledge, Jim was a lifelong learner, a devoted leader and a great mentor who had a passion for discovering new things, and researching every angle to pursue the truth. This spirit which characterized his life translated into lessons he earnestly imparted onto those around him.

Over the years, he enjoyed family time, traveling, playing pool, strumming on his guitar, bull riding, truck driving, he also loved gardening, working with his hands, taking his grandchildren on beach vacations, and long walks on the beach with his wife.

Jim's legacy of his love of family, his knowledge, perseverance, his humor and compassion for others will be carried forward by those who had the privilege of knowing him. His remarkable life will forever be an inspiration, a testament

to the power of an indomitable spirit enthused with love, compassion, curiosity and resilience.

Born to Francis W. Hudson, Jr. and Gloria Jean Bartlett Hudson on December 7, 1963 in Boise, Idaho. Graduate of St. Cloud High School and served his country for 8 years in the US Armed Forces, serving in the Gulf War. Leaving the military in 1991, and settling his family in Trenton, FL. He was employed locally, and owned his own business for 17 years, before choosing a new path. He was employed by Crystal Tractor & Equipment at the time of his death.

He is survived by his loving wife Denise Hudson, son's Michael Landers and Ryan Hudson, father, Francis W. Hudson, brother Jeff Hudson (Denise), sisters Laura Kessler (Mark), Christine Simmons (Ty), and Shannon Hudson, grandchildren Madison, Lance, Gracie, Bethany and Dakota along with many nieces, nephews and cousins. Preceded in death by his mother Gloria, his grandparents and many others.

He will be greatly missed by many, and his lessons, strength and love will live on in those who knew and loved him.

Memorial service will be held Sunday, September 21, 2025, at 2:00 pm, at Rick Gooding Funeral Home Chiefland Chapel, with Pastor David Jones officiating. Visitation will be held one hour prior to service. For those that have purchased the Tribute shirts for Jim Hudson, feel free to wear those to the service in his honor. Family and friends will gather after the services at Haven Hospice Community Center located 311 NE 9th Street, Chiefland, Florida 32626 until 5:30 pm.

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

[rickgoodingfuneralhomes.com](http://rickgoodingfuneralhomes.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

SEP 21. 2:00 PM (ET)

Rick Gooding Funeral Home Chiefland  
1301 N Young Blvd  
Chiefland, FL 32626  
(352) 493-0050  
<https://www.RickGoodingFuneralHomes.com>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Nicole Horne lit a candle in memory of James Hudson*



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**Nicole Horne** - September 20, 2025 at 09:32 AM



“ *Love Sandy and Don Butler purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Hudson.*



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**Love Sandy and Don Butler** - September 19, 2025 at 11:06 AM



“ *Love Sandy and Don Butler planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Hudson.*

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**Love Sandy and Don Butler** - September 19, 2025 at 11:06 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Hudson.*



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September 19, 2025 at 10:18 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Hudson.

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“ Chad Thomason purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James Hudson.



Chad Thomason - September 18, 2025 at 09:37 AM



“ Gary and Diane Sperling purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of James Hudson.



Gary and Diane Sperling - September 18, 2025 at 07:02 AM



“ US Army purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of James Hudson.



US Army - September 17, 2025 at 11:07 PM



“ US Army planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Hudson.

US Army - September 17, 2025 at 11:07 PM



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September 17, 2025 at 02:28 PM



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“ *Denise: May God comfort your heart during these upcoming days. Prayers for you and the family. Penny Pearson*

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**Penny Pearson** - September 17, 2025 at 10:29 AM

BB

“ *Becky Barrs lit a candle in memory of James Hudson*



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**Becky Barrs** - September 17, 2025 at 10:25 AM

TF

“ *The Young Family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of James Hudson.*



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**The Young Family** - September 17, 2025 at 10:15 AM

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“ *The Young Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Hudson.*

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**The Young Family** - September 17, 2025 at 10:15 AM

DS

“ *Diane Sperling lit a candle in memory of James Hudson*



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**Diane Sperling** - September 16, 2025 at 04:35 PM

BS

“ Brian and Karen Smith purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Hudson.



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**Brian and Karen Smith** - September 16, 2025 at 01:45 PM

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“ . -- Buckman purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of James Hudson.



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. -- **Buckman** - September 16, 2025 at 08:39 AM

GH

“ The thing that stood out the most to me about Jim was the love he had for you Denise and the family. I know that will be missed by all your hearts, but I hope your hearts will still find comfort in that love through all the wonderful memories he left behind. My love and prayers are with you through this difficult time.

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**Glori Henning** - September 16, 2025 at 07:47 AM

BH

“ During the few occasions when I had the pleasure of knowing Jim, he seemed to possess an innate sense of humor that he readily incorporated into everyday conversations, while still remaining on topic. He would interject into the conversation, regardless of whether it was serious, straightforward, or ordinary. This readily apparent sense of humor seemed to define Jim's character, bringing laughter to those around him.

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**Beverly Hilliard** - September 15, 2025 at 10:36 PM

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“ *On Behalf of Nicole purchased the Comfort & Sweetness Gift Crate for the family of James Hudson.*



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**On Behalf of Nicole** - September 15, 2025 at 09:10 PM

LH

“ *My deepest condolences for you and your family. I didn't know Mr. Hudson personally, but many of my close friends did. I have heard nothing but amazing things and how much of a caring compassionate person he was and his family is. I've heard how he touched many people's lives and truly made a difference in multiple people's hearts and life's. I am truly sorry for your loss. A true angle on earth.*

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**Lauren Honey** - September 15, 2025 at 09:05 PM

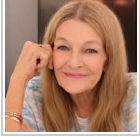
JP

“ *Jim Phillips lit a candle in memory of James Hudson*



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**Jim Phillips** - September 15, 2025 at 06:51 PM



“ *My love and prayers go out to Jim's family as they lay this wonderful guy to rest. Jim was a man of great integrity and compassion. His love for his family was all-consuming and he did everything that he could to show them just how deeply they were loved and cherished by him. He always had a kind word to say, a twinkle in his eyes, and a humorous comment to make others smile. He's made a lasting impression on all who knew him and he will be missed and loved forever. Rest easy, Jim.*

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**Brenda Toor** - September 15, 2025 at 06:48 PM



“ *Fred and Brenda Toor lit a candle in memory of James Hudson*



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**Fred and Brenda Toor** - September 15, 2025 at 06:06 PM