



Jerry Hill

October 27, 1948 - April 14, 2025

Jerry Wayne Hill, 76, passed away on April 14, 2025 with his loving wife, Faith, by his side, and following an extended visit with his daughter, Carrie (Garrett) and granddaughters, Savannah and McKayla. He would have considered that a fine, fine day.

Jerry was born at home in Cross City to Perry and Mattie Lou Hill, on October 27, 1948. Following his DCHS high school graduation, he attended Lake City Community College and was drafted into the US Army at the age of 19 in May 1968. He completed Basic Training at Fort Benning, Georgia. Although it was not his intention to become a soldier, he did not complain, and never has. Once he was called to serve, he did so with honor and pride. He ended up working on a Gunner Vulcan Air Defense System in White Sands, New Mexico. He was honorably discharged at the end of his tenure. Following his marriage, he and his wife relocated to Jacksonville, where he received his Business degree from Jones Business College.

Jerry owned and operated Hill & Cobb Insurance Agency for thirty six years in Cross City, working alongside his beloved daughter. As an agent, he received many awards, including the distinguished title of Master Underwriter for Cotton States Insurance Company. He took his role as an insurance agent very seriously, and was an entrusted business owner in our community. His greatest reward however, was found in the role of "Papa." He added a nursery

to his office, and served the public with his granddaughters, first Savannah and then McKayla, playing alongside his desk. He often said that his girls were his “world.”

Jerry enjoyed hunting and fishing and was a member of the Ramsey Bend Hunting Club. He loved his hunting trips with his nephews, Joe and Dewey, dispensing homespun advice, and drinking coffee. His grouper fishing trips with Garrett are legendary. He often received the “VIP treatment,” on their excursions as he aged, requesting, “take that fish off, my good man!” Jerry was also a Shriner, and a member of the Dixie County Rotary Club until his retirement. He served as a Dixie County Commissioner during the Storm of the Century, and enjoyed helping people in need.

Jerry was a member of Rock Sink Baptist Church in Old Town, where he enjoyed the fellowship. He loved the Lord and he loved his family. His quick wit and sense of humor is unmatched. He will be greatly missed here on this earth.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 AM on Thursday, April 17, 2025 at the Rick Gooding Funeral Home Cross City Chapel with Pastor Al Paulson and Pastor Joe Brooks officiating. Interment will follow at the Cross City Cemetery. Jerry’s visitation will be Wednesday evening, April 16, 2025 from 6:00-8:00 PM at the funeral home.

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

Cemetery Details

Cross City Cemetery

127 SE 289 St
Cross City, FL 32628

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 16. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Rick Gooding Funeral Home Cross City
16984 SE Hwy 19
PO Box 1208
Cross City, FL 32628

Funeral Service

APR 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

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

Tribute Wall



“ Rick Gooding Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Jerry Hill



Rick Gooding Funeral Homes - April 17, 2025 at 10:58 AM

EE

“ RIP Jerry Hill. Your legacy of kindness and patience we will always embrace. Sending our sincere condolences to the Hill family. Liz, Anna Endsley-Corbin

Elizabeth Endsley - April 24, 2025 at 08:21 PM

NB

“ Love and sympathy to All family. Love all the Hill Family.

Nola Buckhalter - April 16, 2025 at 12:44 PM

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“ He was welcomed to heaven with a huge bear hug by Jesus while the angels sang his favorite song. All the love and memories you shared will remain with you. Prayers and hugs.

Aj Thomas - April 16, 2025 at 12:28 PM

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“ Marie Futch sent a virtual gift in memory of Jerry Hill



Marie Futch - April 16, 2025 at 11:28 AM

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“ Marie Futch lit a candle in memory of Jerry Hill



Marie Futch - April 16, 2025 at 11:25 AM

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“ Mission Metals Family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Jerry Hill.



Mission Metals Family - April 16, 2025 at 11:02 AM