



Johnny Edwards

May 13, 1936 - November 21, 2025

Johnny Edwards was born on May 13, 1936 and died Friday, November 21, 2025 after a full and meaningful life.

Johnny was born to Samuel Judson Edwards and Ethel Townsend Edwards in Fort White, Florida on May 13, 1936 as one of triplets which included Jerry and Jean. As with all the Edwards families at that time, they were hard working and poor. After his father's death, at the age of 13, he and Jerry moved in with Bill and Betty Edwards. Subsequently Johnny and Jerry moved to Lake City, Florida with his mother and grandmother. Johnny's next residence was in Marietta, Georgia where he met and married Mary Marjorie Honea, the daughter of Otis and Cleo Honea of Tate, Georgia. They moved to Cartersville, Georgia where Johnny began a lifelong career with Georgia Power. During this time their only child, John William Edwards, was stillborn. Beginning as a lineman and going to college at night, he became the head of Georgia Powers' new power plant engineering department. This led them to later relocate to Forsythe, Georgia where they remained until he retired and his beloved Mary died. Following Mary's death in 1997, Johnny moved to Suwannee, Florida where he met and subsequently married the widowed Emma Harriet West of Mayo, Florida. Moving to Chiefland, Florida, they remained until Harriet's death. Finally, after a few years, Johnny moved to The Canopy in Lake City, Florida where he lived until shortly before his death.

Johnny is preceded in death by his parents, his son, and his siblings: James Addison Edwards (Helen Terry), Claire Sutton (Rex), Jack Edwards (Mary Etta Hollingsworth), Townsend Terry (Clary), William Everett ("Bill") Edwards (Betty Sue Baily), Wilbur Joseph Edwards (Lorine Tanner), Jerry Edwards (Sarah Pearl Tanner), Jean Edwards (infant) and Sam Harris Edwards. He is survived by many nephews and nieces.

A simple, graveside service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, November 25, 2025 at the Fort White Cemetery. All family and friends are invited to attend.

If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or

die, we belong to the Lord. Romans 14:8

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.

Cemetery Details

Ft. White Cemetery

Ft. White, FL

Previous Events

Funeral Service

NOV 25. 2:00 PM (ET)

Ft. White Cemetery

Ft. White, FL

Tribute Wall



“ Rick Gooding Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Johnny Edwards



Rick Gooding Funeral Homes - November 26, 2025 at 11:21 AM



“ The Joyner Family
Trenton, Fl



The Joyner Family - November 25, 2025 at 09:46 PM



“ The Joyner Family lit a candle in memory of Johnny Edwards



The Joyner Family - November 25, 2025 at 09:44 PM



“ Terry Donovan lit a candle in memory of Johnny Edwards



Terry Donovan - November 24, 2025 at 03:59 PM