



Martin "Buddy" Downing

January 2, 1948 - December 5, 2024

Martin "Buddy" Eugene Downing, 76, of Cross City, Florida passed away December 5, 2024. He was born January 2, 1948 to the late William and Hazel Downing in Cross City, where he had spent most of his life.

Mr. Downing owned and operated his air conditioning, refrigeration, and appliance repair business for several years, prior to retirement. He was an active member of Central Baptist Church in Cross City. He loved The Lord and taught Sunday School (youth) classes for several years. He also loved to hunt and fish. He enjoyed spending time with family, especially his grandchildren.

Mr. Downing is survived by his wife of 53 years Barbara Downing, his sons Keith Fowler (Barbara) and Ricky Downing (Crystal), his brother David Downing (Carla), his Sister Marguerite Willis (Mickey), his sister-in-law Naomi Downing, 13 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, and other extended family members. He was preceded in death by his daughter Susan Fowler Eatmon and his brother Danny Downing.

Funeral services for Mr. Downing will be held 2:00 PM Tuesday, December 10, 2024 at the Rick Gooding Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Mt. Olive Cemetery in Jena, Florida. The family will receive friends at the funeral home one hour prior to the service.

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

Mt. Olive Cemetery

1039 SW 320th Ave
Steinhatchee, FL 32359

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 10. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Rick Gooding Funeral Home Cross City
16984 SE Hwy 19
Cross City, FL 32628
(352) 498-5400

Funeral Service

DEC 10. 2:00 PM (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 Martin "Buddy" Downing



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“ Buddy was very caring, generous with his time and his talents. He always had a story to tell that always left you smiling! Our family circle is a bit broken now. Godspeed, Buddy, you've earned your crown and your place at the Master's table.

Rhonda - December 09, 2024 at 06:42 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Martin "Buddy" Downing.



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