



Tommy Nettles

September 8, 1938 - January 31, 2026

Thomas C. Nettles, 87, was born on September 8, 1938, and passed away, after a long illness, on Saturday, January 31, 2026 with his family by his side.

Tommy served in the U.S. Navy from 1955 to 1959 on the U.S.S. Randolph, and then worked in the Sheet Metal industry for over 39 years. He was a Master Mason of the Micanopy lodge and the Waldo lodge. He and his wife, Mary, lived in Micanopy and Waldo Florida for 40 years and retired to Steinhatchee, FL in 1999, where they enjoyed fishing and scalloping out of their Airboat. The family loved to gather around the dining room table to play dominoes until late at night. Some family members were known to cheat a little, but we won't name names.

Tommy was preceded in death by his parents, Ephram and Mary, and his big sister Loretta Parkhurst. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Mary Hester Nettles; brother Carl Nettles (Avis) of Ocala, FL; sister-in-law, Peggy Caswell of Gainesville, FL; 2 sons, Timmy Nettles (Bobbi) of Ocala, FL and Jimmy Nettles (Sandie) of Ravenel, SC; daughter, Becky Rountree (Roger) of Alachua, FL; 2 grandsons, Chase Rountree (Lindsey) of Alachua, FL, and Josh Nettles (Madison) of Moncks Corner, SC.; 2 great grandsons, Brayden and Easton Rountree; step grandchildren, Tyler Coons (Bree) and Sunny Coons (Tyler Bulin "TB") all of South Carolina; step great grandchildren, Aniyaa, Emmett and baby Scarlet; his dear friends and neighbors, John and

Becky Wells of Steinhatchee, FL and many nieces and nephews.

The family will have a celebration of life in the spring in Dallus Bay....one last airboat ride!

In Lieu of flowers, the family has asked that donations be made in memory of Tommy Nettles to Big Bend Hospice www.bigbendhospice.org.

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

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary so sorry to hear about Tommy. Prayers for you and your family. Ronald Morris.* ”

Ronald Morris - February 06 at 01:50 PM