



William "Gene" Sikes

July 26, 1957 - July 8, 2024

William "Gene" Eugene Sikes, 66, of Old Town passed away July 8, 2024. He was born July 26, 1957 to Buster and Sallie Sikes in Plant City, Florida, but had lived in Dixie County since he was 12 years old.

Mr. Sikes Logged for most of his life, and had worked with several different local logging companies in many different positions over the years. He was a very hard worker and could run any type of logging equipment. Mr. Sikes was a member of the First Assembly of God in Cross City. In his spare time, he enjoyed going fishing, and in his younger years he liked hunting and trapping. Mr. Sikes always loved being around his family and making people laugh.

Mr. Sikes is survived by his wife of 15 years Helen Sikes, his son William Sikes, Jr. (Kimberly), his daughter Lola Butler (Darby), his stepdaughter Tiffany Byrd (Michael), his grandchildren Jordan and Maddie Butler, Journey and Paisleigh Sikes, and Aiden, M.J., and Jacoby Byrd, his brothers Ricky Sikes and Randy Sikes, his sisters Nancy Hendricks, Marie Fowler, Barbara Roberts, and Felicia Forrest, and other extended family members. He was preceded in death by his parents, Buster Sikes and Sallie Lee, and his brother James Sikes.

Funeral services for Mr. Sikes will be held 4:00 PM Friday, July 12, 2024 at the Rick Gooding Funeral Home Cross City Chapel, with Pastor Cecil Pinner and

Pastor Ed Eldridge officiating. Private family interment will follow at Lee Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home one hour prior to the service.

Arrangements have been placed under the care of the 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

Lee Cemetery

1052 SE 557th St
old town, FL 32680

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 12. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

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

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Rick Gooding Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of William "Gene" Sikes



Rick Gooding Funeral Homes - July 12, 2024 at 07:44 PM



“ Rick Gooding Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of William "Gene" Sikes



Rick Gooding Funeral Homes - July 12, 2024 at 01:11 PM



“ Lucas Rollison & Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William "Gene" Sikes.

Lucas Rollison & Family - July 12, 2024 at 12:55 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of William "Gene" Sikes.



July 12, 2024 at 12:55 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of William "Gene" Sikes.



July 12, 2024 at 09:54 AM



“ 77 files added to the album Life Tributes



Rick Gooding Funeral Homes - July 11, 2024 at 03:46 PM

RS

“ Randy sikes planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of William "Gene" Sikes.

Randy sikes - July 10, 2024 at 06:58 PM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of William "Gene" Sikes.



July 10, 2024 at 06:58 PM

SM

“ Suwannee County Emergency Management purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of William "Gene" Sikes.



Suwannee County Emergency Management - July 10, 2024 at 01:52 PM

GG

“ Sending love and prayers for this precious family. God, I praise you for wrapping your arms around them, during this difficult time and the days to follow.



Gloria Gilbert - July 10, 2024 at 11:58 AM

RS

“ Randy sikes lit a candle in memory of William Sikes



Randy sikes - July 09, 2024 at 05:32 PM

RS

“ GENE SIKES WAS A GOOD BROTHER.LIKE MY SISTER BARBARA SAID HE WI ALWAYS MAKE YOU LAUGH EVEN WHEN YOU DOWN. HE WAS THE LIGHT OF THE PARTY. BROTHER I WILL MISS YOU AND AWAY THINK ABOUT YOU AND LOVE YOU . 💔

Randy sikes - July 09, 2024 at 04:10 PM

BO

He truly will be missed at First Assembly of God. I waved at him sunday across the isle in church. He waved back and smiled. Loved him and Helen. Sweet people. See him again one-day. He is truly home. Randy you and family in my prayers. Love to all.

Barbara osteen - July 11, 2024 at 07:16 AM