



Gene Alton Best

June 9, 1952 - December 18, 2023

Gene Alton Best, 71 of Poplar Springs Community, Graceville, Florida, husband of 48 years to Nova Marie Best, went home to be with the Lord, Monday, December 18, 2023, surrounded by family.

Mr. Best was born Columbus, Georgia, June 9, 1952, a son of the late John D. and Doris Miller Best. He was a devoted husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather.

Surviving are three sons, Brian Best, John Best and wife Stacia, Chris Best and partner Hayley Birge. He is also survived by six grandchildren Brittany Dill and husband Matt, Tyler Best and wife Emiley, Wyatt Best and wife Halie, Trey Best and wife Caitlyn, Dustyn Best, John Alton Best, and seven great grandchildren.

He was predeceased by his parents, son Gene Anthony Best, two brothers John Earnest Best, Glenn Best, and sister Lois Bell.

When we remember Gene, we will think about a pack of crackers and a glass of tea, a fresh cut watermelon in the garden on a summer morning, tractor rides and farm fresh vegetables. He shined knowledge and love on everyone. We will remember his stories and the fish he almost caught. Remember him when you bait a hook. When you catch the big one and when that buck is in

your crosshairs, Ole Man.

A Celebration of Gene will be held 1:30 p.m., Friday, December 22, 2023, at the Chapel of James & Lipford Funeral Home, with the visitation beginning at 12:30 p.m. until time of the service.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 22. 1:30 AM (CT)

James & Lipford Funeral Home
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Graceville, FL 32440
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Visitation

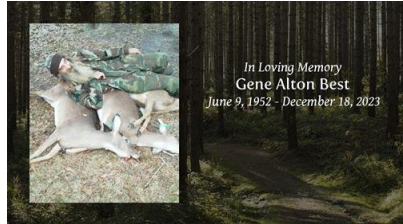
DEC 22. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ James & Lipford Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gene Alton Best



James & Lipford Funeral Home - December 21, 2023 at 06:03 PM

MB

Gene is one of the most caring and kindest person I know. I will never forget how we are so much alike that it is unreal. You are missed dearly

Mike Best - December 22, 2023 at 10:58 AM

RG

What a sweet man. He will be missed.

Rita Gardner - December 22, 2023 at 08:02 PM

BL

May you rest in Peace my friend. You always had a kind word and a smile whenever I seen you. Been awhile since I ran into you but you have forever etched memories in my soul. Prayers for Nova and all the family.

Barbara Little - January 05, 2024 at 07:35 PM

SG

“ Gene was a kind man with a lot of wisdom. I enjoyed listening to he’s stories, and could sit for hours to listen. Mark and I loved you and your family. We will keep your fishing spots hot here. Until we see you again ole man. Rest now ❤️

Susie Gipson - December 20, 2023 at 08:18 AM

TB

*He sure was a Great man True definition of country He will be missed
by many Sail on old man*

THOMAS Baxter - December 21, 2023 at 03:51 AM