



Mr. "Big Joe" Earl Golden

January 17, 1944 - January 26, 2026

"Big Joe" Earl Golden, 82, of Plant City, Florida, born in Pensacola on January 17, 1944, entered into eternal rest on January 26, 2026. He loved his family dearly, was one of the best heavy equipment operators and general contractors in Florida, and enjoyed fishing, and Brahman cows. He is survived by wife of 64 years, Judy Golden; son, "Little Joe" Golden of Plant City; grandson, Garrett Alan Golden; great-grandsons, Grady Alan Golden, and Walker Joseph Golden; and sister, Frances Braddock (Daniel). He was preceded in death by daughters, Julie Ann Golden, and Margaret Ann Golden. A funeral service will be held Wednesday, February 4 at 11:00 A.M. at Hopewell Funeral Home, 6005 South County Road 39, Plant City, where the family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 A.M. A graveside committal will follow at Lakeland Memorial Gardens, Lakeland. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to a charity of your choice. Expressions of condolence at HopewellFuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Lakeland Memorial Gardens

2125 Bartow Rd
Lakeland, FL 33801

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 4. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Hopewell Funeral Home
6005 County Road 39 South
Plant City, FL 33567
(813) 737-3128
office@hopewellfuneral.com
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Funeral Service

FEB 4. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. "Big Joe" Earl Golden



Hopewell Funeral Home - February 06 at 10:18 AM



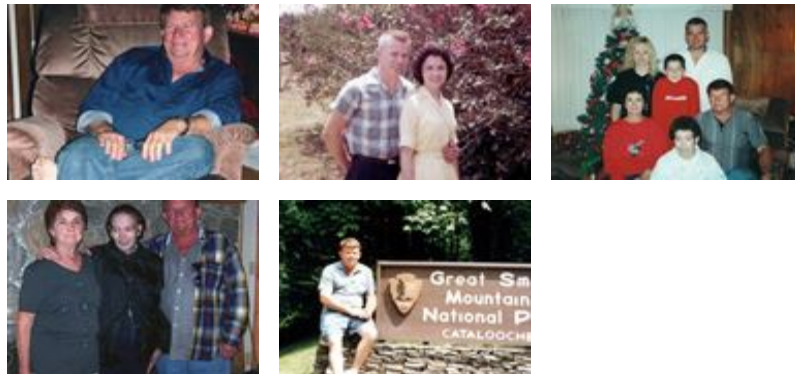
“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Mr. "Big Joe" Earl Golden.



February 03 at 01:06 PM



“ 48 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hopewell Funeral Home - February 03 at 10:21 AM

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“ *John Ray lit a candle in memory of Mr. "Big Joe" Earl Golden*



John ray - February 01 at 11:35 AM

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“ *Penny Lynn Berry lit a candle in memory of Mr. "Big Joe" Earl Golden*



Penny Lynn Berry - January 31 at 12:47 AM