



Mr. Douglas Burkett, Sr.

September 5, 1946 - February 22, 2024

Douglas Burkett, Sr., 77, of Plant City, born on September 5, 1946, in Charleston, West Virginia, entered into eternal rest on February 22, 2024. He was a Veteran of the United States Army - having served in combat in the Vietnam War, and earning the Bronze Star and Purple Heart, a retired Detective and founding member of the S.W.A.T. Team for the Tampa Police Department, a Professional Standards Investigator for Hillsborough County Schools, and a member of the Fraternal Order of Police, and Bob's Coffee Club. He loved his family dearly, a Ford Mustang and Craftsman tools enthusiast, and a "shade tree mechanic". He is survived by wife of 48 years, Jenny Burkett; children, Douglas Burkett, Jr. (Kimberly), Sue Baricko (Steve), Chris Pullaro (Patricia), Shawn Wallace (Samantha), Jeremy Wallace (Kaitlin), Jessie Pullaro (Emily), Savannah Rummell (Brian), and Cassandra Pullaro; grandchildren, Jake, Becca, and Zack; and many other extended family, and friends. He was preceded in death by daughter, Laurie Burkett; and brothers, Randy Crank and Dana Burkett. A funeral service will be held Friday, March 1 at 11:00 A.M. at Turkey Creek Baptist Church, 4915 W Trapnell Road, Plant City, where the family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 A.M. Internment with military honors at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Gary Sinise Foundation at <https://www.garysinisefoundation.org/donate>, and/or the Tampa Police Department Memorial Fund at <https://tampapolicememorial.org/store/Donations-c13719039>. Expressions of condolences at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Florida National Cemetery

6502 SW 102nd Ave
Bushnell, FL 33513-8914
(352) 793-7740

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 1. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Turkey Creek Baptist Church
4915 W. Trapnell Road
Plant City, FL

Funeral Service

MAR 1. 11:00 AM (ET)

Turkey Creek Baptist Church
4915 W. Trapnell Road
Plant City, FL

Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Douglas Burkett, Sr.



Hopewell Funeral Home - February 28, 2024 at 02:01 PM

DG

Such a beautiful tribute to Doug. He will be missed. I am so sorry for your loss.

Delana M Garcia - March 01, 2024 at 02:36 PM

DC

“ Very sorry to learn about the loss of your father. I am sure he was an amazing father/husband as well as one of the greatest men in blue. If there is anything Joy and I can do for you and the family please let us know. Our prayers are with you and the entire family.

Combs Family

Darren Combs - March 03, 2024 at 09:40 AM

MA

“ Doug was an absolute joy to be around. If you knew him he had a dry sense of humor always joking and sometimes goofy. Doug you are a legend and will be missed.
Marilyn Lee



Marilyn - March 01, 2024 at 01:05 PM

TS

“*Doug was a good man and T.R.T. brother. He was a "cop's cop." my condolences to his family.*

Tom Singleton - February 29, 2024 at 09:22 PM

FT

“*FSTSS Team at CAE Tampa purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mr. Douglas Burkett, Sr..*



FSTSS Team at CAE Tampa - February 29, 2024 at 01:26 PM

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“*Squad 241 purchased the Serenity Wreath for the family of Mr. Douglas Burkett, Sr..*



Squad 241 - February 28, 2024 at 09:04 PM



“*Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Mr. Douglas Burkett, Sr..*



February 28, 2024 at 06:49 PM



“ 45 files added to the album Life Tributes



Hopewell Funeral Home - February 28, 2024 at 01:58 PM



“ *Taking Care of Doug and meeting Jenny as well as Jesse and Doug Jr over the years has truly been one of the highlights of my career. Rest In peace Doug. From Dr. Kim Brownell*

Kim Brownell - February 28, 2024 at 12:57 PM



“ *Prayers for Doug and his family. I knew Doug for about 15 years on TPD. He was indeed one of Tampa's finest.*

Ernest M. Gafford - February 28, 2024 at 12:01 PM



“ *Bennie and Louise Holder purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Douglas Burkett, Sr..*



Bennie and Louise Holder - February 27, 2024 at 11:01 AM

BH

“ *Bennie and Louise Holder planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Douglas Burkett, Sr..*

Bennie and Louise Holder - February 27, 2024 at 11:01 AM

TF

“ *The Cain Family purchased the Ocean Breeze S pray for the family of Mr. Douglas Burkett, Sr..*



The Cain Family - February 27, 2024 at 10:13 AM

LG

“ *My sincere condolences to Jenny, Doug Jr, Jesse and the entire Burkett family for your loss. May God strengthen you during your bereavement.*
Leon

Leon Green - February 27, 2024 at 08:49 AM