



Mr. James Gavin Storter

February 14, 1939 - March 20, 2024

James Gavin Storter died peacefully in his sleep on Wednesday, March 20, 2024 in Anchorage, Alaska. He was born February 14, 1939 in Naples, Florida where he grew up, went to Naples High School where he met his wife, Alvarene Storter, during their junior year in high school. He graduated from the University of Tampa with a Business degree. He joined the Army in 1960 where he had a 20 year career, and serving three combat tours in the Vietnam War. He led the first successful HALO jump mission in US military history. He was awarded two Silver Stars, three Bronze Stars among many other awards and decorations. He was inducted into the Army Ranger Hall of Fame for numerous acts of valor on the battlefield. He completed his military career in 1980 as Commander of the Florida Phase of the US Army Ranger School. He loved God, his family and his country. He enjoyed the outdoors and delighted in camping and hunting in Florida, Alaska, Texas, Wyoming and North Dakota with his sons, grandsons and friends. Each of his granddaughters and his great-granddaughter held a special place in his heart. He taught them backyard camping, jokes and loved to tease them and make them laugh. He is survived by his wife Alvarene Bryan Storter; sons Jamie (Terri) Storter and Duke (Jennifer) Storter; daughter-in-law Laura Davis Storter; brother Bem Storter; grandsons Johnathon (Abby) Storter and Jason (Mariah) Storter; granddaughters Taryn (Marcus) Couch, Hope Storter and Elizabeth Storter; great-grandchildren Adam, Mark, Gavin, Liam and Hannah Storter. He was preceded in death by his son Mike Storter, and sister Nancy Hanks. A funeral

service will be held Saturday, April 6 at 3:00 P.M. at Hopewell Funeral Home, 6005 S County Road 39, Plant City, where the family will receive friends at 2:00 P.M. Committal with full military honors will follow at Hopewell Memorial Gardens. Expressions of condolences at www.HopewellFuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Hopewell Memorial Gardens

6005 County Road 39 South
Plant City, FL 33567
(813) 737-3128
office@hopewellfuneral.com
<https://www.hopewellfuneral.com>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 6. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall

JM

“ *Janice Thomas Mintzer sent a virtual gift in memory of Mr. James Gavin Storter*



Janice Thomas Mintzer - April 19, 2024 at 11:31 PM

JM

“ *What a heartbreaker to learn of the death of Gavin Storter. My condolences to Alvarene and all the members of his family. I went to high school with Gavin and Alvarene so remember them in their youth and when their love for each other began. I know he will be greatly missed, but never forgotten by everyone who ever knew him. Prayers for you, Alvarene, that you find comfort and peace with your family and friends and all the memories you and Gavin shared. Love from your high school friend,
Janice Thomas Mintzer*

Janice Thomas Mintzer - April 19, 2024 at 11:26 PM

KL

“ *Kathy Lyle purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mr. James Gavin Storter.*



Kathy Lyle - April 05, 2024 at 11:30 AM

TF

“ *The Van De Walle family purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Mr. James Gavin Storter.*



The Van De Walle family - April 03, 2024 at 07:56 PM

BR

“ *Betty Ashley, Tara, Ty, Kevin, Ryland purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. James Gavin Storter.*



Betty Ashley, Tara, Ty, Kevin, Ryland - April 03, 2024 at 09:36 AM

TC

“ *My heart is broken. So terribly sorry for the family's loss. He was truly an amazing man. Humble, kind, and definitely full of jokes. He was a pleasure to be around.*

Tara Chambers - April 02, 2024 at 11:15 PM

RK

“ *Reid and Karen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. James Gavin Storter.*

Reid and Karen - April 02, 2024 at 01:29 PM

RK

“ Reid and Karen purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. James Gavin Storter.



Reid and Karen - April 02, 2024 at 01:29 PM