

Mr. Samuel Mills Morrow

April 11, 1949 - November 10, 2020

Samuel "Sam" Mills Morrow, 71, passed away November 10, 2020 at Lakeland Regional Medical Center. He was born in Plant City, Florida on April 11, 1949. He grew up in Plant City, graduated from Turkey Creek High School in 1967, served in the Marine Corps, and currently resided in Lakeland. Sam worked for the Polk County Road Dept. for thirty years as a Paving Inspector. He was a Christian first and foremost and a Baptist by choice. His favorite pastime was stock car racing. He literally lived and breathed the races, sprint cars in particular. Sam never met a stranger, especially at the races, where he was notorious for being a practical joker. He was a regular fixture at all the racetracks in Central Florida. When he wasn't racing or working on a pit crew, he was announcing races. When Sam was calling a race he was exceptional at getting the crowd fired up and into the action. Sam loved restoring and racing antique race cars, and this past year was awarded a trophy for his years of service by the Daytona Antique Auto Racing Association (DAARA). He will be dearly missed by family, friends, and countless racing fans and associates. He is predeceased by his mother Bernice Morrow, father Arthur Morrow, and sister Juanita Henderson. He is survived by his brother Bill Morrow (Diane), nephew Ron Henderson (Debbie), niece Connie Harris (Victor), niece Tonya Lawson (Eric), and nephew Chad Morrow (Kellie). Also survived by many cousins, great nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to your favorite charity in memory of Sam. A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, November 17 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. For those unable to attend, the service will be live-streamed at [Facebook.com/HopewellFuneral](https://www.facebook.com/HopewellFuneral). Graveside committal to follow at Hopewell Memorial Gardens, Plant City. Expressions of condolence at [HopewellFuneral.com](https://www.HopewellFuneral.com).

Cemetery Details

Hopewell Memorial Gardens

6005 County Road 39 South
Plant City, FL 33567
(813) 737-3128
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Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Funeral Service

NOV 17. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



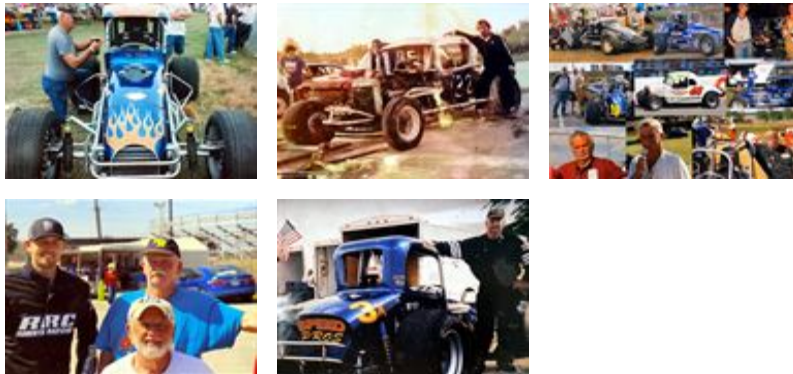
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Hopewell Funeral Home - November 16, 2020 at 05:50 PM



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TB

“ I work at grace manor assistant living and I was Sam housekeeping and Sam made my day. I sure will miss him sitting at the table every morning and telling the Resident. I was his house keeping and I kept is room clean and smell great. Sam you will be miss

Tammy Bernhardt - November 15, 2020 at 05:32 PM

WB

“ *My sympathies to the family and friends of my TCHS Class of 1967 classmate Sam. I thoroughly enjoyed my last visit with him , listening to him tell about some of his special life experiences. He will be missed.*

Willeva Van Den Bogaert - November 15, 2020 at 02:13 PM

TD

“ *I spent one night at Lakeland Regional Hospital as Sam's roommate. He was in excruciating pain throughout the night. The nurse and her assistant came in every 45 minutes to an hour (at the most) to do the best she could to minister to his pain. It was truly a terrible night for Sam. I laid awake praying for him throughout the night and the next morning when he was taken to surgery. In the sporadic moments when he didn't have pain, he praised God that God had sent him two born again Christians as roommates, noting that God must love him a whole lot to send him, not one, but two born again roommates to pray for him. He shared his testimony of how God had saved him and talked about how much he loved cars and racing. He also talked about how much he loved his brother, Bill, and his sister-in-law. He expressed how much he deeply appreciated their love and care he thought he didn't deserve it. Even though Sam was in intense pain throughout the night he never uttered a single curse word. He only had praise for God in spite of his intense pain. He was a wonderful witness, treating his nurses with love and respect. Even though our time together was brief I left the hospital praising the Lord that I had the privilege of meeting and spending a night with this wonderful brother in Christ.*

*Terryl Delaney, Senior Adult Pastor
Bell Shoals Baptist Church*

Terryl Delaney - November 14, 2020 at 10:57 AM



Thanks very much for your comment, Sammy was one of my TRUE friends

Louis Brashear - November 15, 2020 at 01:21 PM

JK

“ *The "Mouth of the South " as Sammy was called.*



James Knapp - November 13, 2020 at 05:41 PM



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Louis Brashear - November 13, 2020 at 04:47 PM



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Louis Brashear - November 13, 2020 at 04:45 PM



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Louis Brashear - November 13, 2020 at 04:41 PM



“ *Sam was a true friend. He always had my back, even if it wasn't needed. He loved racing, and mostly sprint car racing. We would talk for hours sometimes, often he would tell the stories of lapping the field in any particular race. He was a story teller, and all were true. He was a close friend to me and my family. He will be missed.*

Louis Brashear - November 13, 2020 at 04:39 PM