



Mrs. Viola Mae Williford

September 3, 2013

WILLIFORD, Viola Mae, 84, of Dover, Florida, entered into eternal rest on September 3, 2013. She loved her family. She was preceded in death by her husband Sidney Williford, Jr. She is survived by her daughter Lavone W. Wingate (Willie); grandchildren William Duane Wingate (Ravanna), Victoria Lynn Thomas (David), and Sidney Darrell Wingate (Tracie); sisters Margaret Gaskins (Ivan) of Groveland, and Betty Rozar (Jimmy) of Groveland; 8 great-grandchildren and 14 great-great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews, family and friends. A Celebration of Life will be held on Monday, September 9 at 3:00 P.M. at Hopewell Funeral Home, 6005 CR 39 S, Plant City, where the family will receive friends beginning at 2:00 P.M. Interment to follow at Hopewell Memorial Gardens, Plant City. Expressions of condolence at www.hopewellfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Hopewell Memorial Gardens

6005 County Road 39 South
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Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 9. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Granny knocker became Knocker when my son, James, as a wee little boy said are we going to see granny & grandpa Knocker. We all laughed; because they always called all their grandchildren Knockers. A running joke with Billy, their oldest grandson. The tradition continued with her great and great-great grandchildren. All the Knocker's loved her & and she always looked forward to seeing them. She loved being outdoors, always busy. I would say busy as a bee, but I think she even out did them. She loved camping and fishing. When I go fishing with Billy I can always count on him to clean the fish, but not with granny knocker, she made me help her!! We are going to miss her, but I bet she's much happier fishing with grandpa now!!*

Ravanna Wingate - September 09, 2013 at 09:15 AM



“ *The first time I met granny was 11 years ago, Billy and I had been dating for only a few weeks . Needless to say I was so nervous . She could not understand a word I was saying with my African accent ! She had made us potato soup for lunch I took a huge spoonful ... It was hotter than anything I have ever eaten and so I blasted it out of my mouth all over her kitchen table !!! All she said to billy "that's a strange tradition " Granny will be missed by me and my boys, we have so many great memories with her she was wonderful . Corrin Wingate*

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