



## Mr. Wiley "Gator" Mitchell

June 23, 1947 - November 8, 2017

Wiley "Gator" Mitchell, 70, of Lakeland, Florida, born on June 23, 1947 in Plant City, entered into eternal rest on November 8, 2017. He was an ironworker with Local Union 397. He was an avid Gators fan, and he enjoyed fishing, coaching Turkey Creek Trojans youth football, and fostering group home children. He is survived by his wife, Sue Mitchell; children, Kevin Mitchell (Gina) of Frostproof, and Tracy Dilport (Henry) of Plant City; step-children, Missy Parker Adams of Middleboro, Massachusetts, Nikki Parker of Plant City, Billy Parker (Theresa) of Adairsville, Georgia, and Kristan Bailey (TJ) of Adairsville, Georgia; siblings, Virginia Watkins of Plant City, and Cecil Mitchell of Lakeland; 13 grandchildren and 17 great-grandchildren; lifelong friend, Ed Dees; and many other family and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife, Sandra Mitchell. A Celebration of Life will be held on Tuesday, November 14 at 11:00 A.M. at Hopewell Funeral Home, 6005 S County Road 39, Plant City, where the family will receive friends beginning at 10:00 A.M. Committal to follow at Hopewell Memorial Gardens, Plant City. Expressions of condolence at [www.HopewellFuneral.com](http://www.HopewellFuneral.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Hopewell Memorial Gardens

6005 County Road 39 South  
Plant City, FL 33567  
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# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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## Celebration of Life

NOV 14. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Hopewell Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Wiley "Gator" Mitchell



Hopewell Funeral Home - November 14, 2017 at 07:47 PM

SJ

“ This is a really hard day for all the people that knew and loved Wiley...he left a lot of wonderful memories for us to reflect upon...RIP...you are in your forever home now..we miss you..

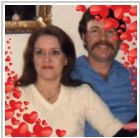


Sharon Jeffries - November 14, 2017 at 08:44 AM

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“ I love you Wiley. I am just heartbroken. Godspeed.  
~Nette

(Pamela) Jeanette Hess - November 13, 2017 at 10:40 PM



“ I met Wiley at our TCHS Reunion at the Barn a few years ago. :D What a great guy. So sorry that he had to go through this trial. He was loved by so many and liked by many more. Prayers of comfort and peace for his family.  
Dan & Nadine (Jolly) Jackson.

Nadine Jackson - November 10, 2017 at 07:49 PM

PV

“ Sue, I am so glad I got too know you and Wiley thru our FB page. I only wish I could have met Wiley in person. However, I believe that one day we will have a Gobbler Nation reunion in heaven, and I will know each of you then. My heart aches for you and the family. Love and (((Hugs))) for each of you. Patricia Varnum

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**Patricia Varnum** - November 10, 2017 at 04:03 PM

JC

“ Sue, I am so sorry to hear this news. I know you were very, very happy. Keeping you in thoughts and prayers.

*Judy Colding*



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**Judy Colding** - November 10, 2017 at 03:03 PM