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Harold Joseph Ray, 84, of Ocklawaha, passed away Wednesday, January 21, 2015. Mr. Ray was born March 20, 1930 in Closter, NJ to Harold and Blanche (Hunton) Ray. He was a Korean War and Vietnam War, U.S. Army Veteran. He was a retired carpenter and moved here in 1994 from Palm Beach County. He was of the Lutheran faith, a member of the Wildwood Masonic Lodge, Wildwood Chapter of the Order Of The Eastern Star, a 53 year member of the American Legion in Lady Lake and a 50 year member of the 40 et 8. He enjoyed hunting and fishing when he was able. Survivors include his loving wife of almost 65 years, Marie; 2 daughters, Karen Gonzales of Ocala and Bonnie Bourque (Chris) of Port St. Lucie; 3 grandchildren, Sarah and Nichole Gonzales and Jillian Bourque. Harold was preceded in death by his son, Harold J. Ray, Jr. and grandson, Brian Gonzales. Visitation for Harold will be Sunday, January 25, 2015, from 3:00 PM to 5:00PM in the Banks/Page-Theus Chapel with Masonic Rites rendered at 4:30PM. A graveside service will be held Monday, January 26, 2015 at 10:30 AM in the Florida National Cemetery with the American Legion providing military honors. For those wishing memorial contributions may be made to The Russell Home, 510 Holden Avenue, Orlando, FL 32839, www.russellhome.org, or Hospice of Marion County 3231 SW 34th Avenue, Ocala, FL 34474, www.hospiceofmarion.org. On-line condolences may be shared by visiting www.bankspagetheus.com. Arrangements are entrusted to Banks/Page-Theus Funerals and Cremations, Wildwood.



Events

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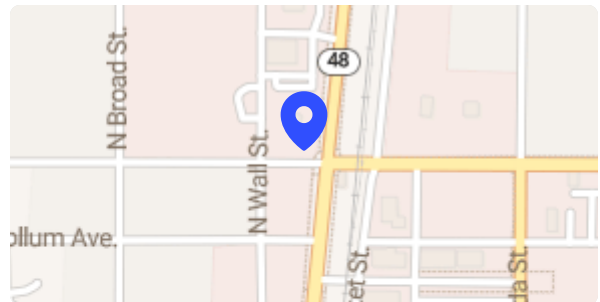
Visitation

- Sunday**, January 25, 2015
- 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM ET
- Banks/Page-Theus Chapel**
410 Webster St, Wildwood FL 34785



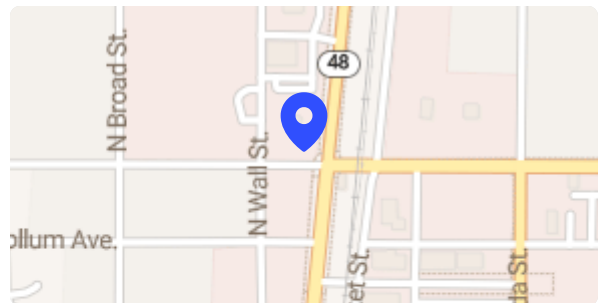
Graveside Ceremony

- Monday**, January 26, 2015
- 10:30 AM ET
- Florida National Cemetery**
6502 SW 102nd Ave., Bushnell FL 33513



Cemetery Details

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Tribute Wall

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SG

Sarah Gonzales lit a candle in honor of Harold.



January 27 at 3:24 PM

SG

Sarah Gonzales posted:

It is unfortunate to have another important man in my life leave. Thanks to all for the condolences. Our family is strong and will at some point be okay with his loss in our lives. He is gone but will never be forgotten for anyone that he met

January 27 at 3:23 PM

TV

Todd, Janelle And Virgil sent a Healing Tears - Lavender and White to the Ray family.



January 24 at 6:32 PM

CR

Clarence L Richardson posted:

Thank You Harold for your generous and kind heart. It was your persistence that resulted in the creation of a new 40 & 8 Voiture that opened the door for many new veterans to participate in this wonderful organization. We extend our sincere prayers and condolence to Harold's family. You may have cussed a little, and acted gruffly at times but deep inside (we knew) was a very kind, fair, and generous man. The Voyageurs of V-1604 will be eternally grateful to you for getting us started and we will do our best to honor you by our actions. Clarence Richardson Chef de Gare (Passé) V-1604 (On behalf of all V-1604 Voyageurs)

January 24 at 1:08 PM

DD

Denise Dwyer posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with the Ray family. I know Harold (Dad) will be missed. God bless all of you and may you have strength and peace. Denise Dwyer

January 24 at 2:52 AM



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WT

Warren Thompson posted:

I enjoyed many great stories from how he met his wife to all the groups they supported and helped. He has left a legacy of such a beautiful family.

January 23 at 2:50 PM

ME

Mery posted:

I had the honor to shake his strong hand, have a brave conversation with him and more importantly I got to keep my promise to be at his side until the end. Thanks to my angels for the help in this campaign. Now you can go fishing without any constraints and be free of all limitations. To your love ones that are hurting for your departure rest in the promise that later we will meet again. And that is going to be the greatest party of all!!!! Love Mery and Mery

January 23 at 1:08 PM

GR

Glen Rogers posted:

Had many good times with Harold at 40 & 8 functions. R.I.P my friend

January 23 at 7:32 AM

NK

Nancy Kondas posted:

Harold was a warm-hearted man who would do anything he could for anyone who needed him. His grouchy demeanor, warm heart and bear hugs will truly be missed. Nancy and boys

January 23 at 7:26 AM

JN

Joe Nolan posted:

Harold and I shared many times at 40 & 8 promenades and other events. He loved and devoted much of his life to the Great Child Welfare program of the 40 & 8. He was a good friend and will be missed. Joe Nolan

January 22 at 3:20 PM



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Anonymous sent a Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket to the Ray family.



January 22 at 2:57 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Harold by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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