



## Abner Eugene Green

August 24, 1930 - October 29, 2018

Abner Eugene Green, Sr., 88, passed away peacefully on Monday, October 29, 2018 at Community Hospice in Jacksonville, FL. Abner retired from almost 21 years of service in the Air Force and then continued working as a civil servant at Robins Air Force Base for another 21 years, serving our country for a total of 42 years. After retirement, Abner and his wife, Clara, relocated to St. Augustine, FL where he worked with his son, Jeff in Jeff's refrigeration business. After several years, they returned to middle Georgia, where they had raised their 7 children. Due to health reasons, Abner and Clara relocated to Florida once again, to be close to their children. Abner loved spending time with his family, in any capacity. He enjoyed feeding the ducks at Bartram Lakes and going on outings with his friends. Abner was deeply committed to his wife, who has advanced Alzheimer's. He visited her often, feeding her lunch, bringing her flowers and chocolate bars. He loved researching and collecting unique coins, Georgia football and watching Tiger Woods play golf. Abner is survived by his wife of 66 years, Clara Green (Jones), daughter Nina Rodenroth (Dave) of Keystone Heights, FL; son Abner Green, Jr. of Warner Robins, GA; daughter Barbara Stone (Randy) of Kathleen, GA; son Jeffrey Green (deceased) (Lisa) of St. Augustine, FL; daughter Phyllis Green of The Villages, FL; daughter Shirley Cooley (Len) of Indianapolis, IN; son Charles 'Chuck' Green of Warner Robins, GA; 'sister' Mildred Hunter of Boca Raton, FL and 'brother' Ray Jones of Akron, OH. He is also survived by 17 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren, plus many

nieces, nephews, grand-nieces and grand-nephews. Abner is pre-deceased by his parents, Karl and Nina Green, his sister Mary Giles; brother Richard Green (Mary); brother William Green and son Jeffrey Green. Abner was a wonderful husband, father, grandfather, uncle and brother-in-law and will be missed greatly. A memorial service, with full Military Honors, will be held at St. John's Family Funeral Home, 385 SR 207, St. Augustine, FL on Saturday, November 10th, 2018 at 11:00AM, ET. Interment at the National Cemetery in Bushnell, FL will be held at a later date. St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Phyllis and family, my sincere sympathy to you all on the loss of such a great man. What a story and legacy he has for a well lived and blessed life - surrounded by a large family, the woman he loved and cherished for 66 years, a brotherhood in service and the humble thanks of a grateful nation. He may be gone, but your sweet memories are those you will always cherish and carry in your heart where he will live forever. Peace be with you and may God's presence give you comfort.

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**Dawn Miyashita** - November 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

VG

“ My Dear Papaw, my only regret is living over 1k miles away for most of my adult life & therefore I was not able to spend more time with you like I would have liked. I'm grateful for the many wonderful memories that were created & shared throughout my childhood. No matter what, you were always a kind & loving soul. I can still hear you call out, “Mommy” when looking for Mamaw as if it were yesterday. The way you loved & honored her, until the moment you left, I will always respect & admire! 66 years is such a beautiful thing that you don't see a lot of anymore. Even though Mamaw has been living with Alzheimer's for many years now, you never forgot how to love her. Wether she knew it or not, it never stopped you from visiting with her every day, taking her flowers or going for dinner just to feed her. We could all learn something from a love like that. I'll always remember the last time we spent time together & what you said because you made me cry. We were sitting around the table at Uncle Jeff's catching up. You looked at me & said, “I love your Mamaw more today than I did all of those years ago”! ?? Well today I say that I love you papaw & I'm grateful to have had you in my life. You will be greatly missed by all who knew you. I will see you again someday! Until then! ?? Your Granddaughter To my Aunt Nina & Aunt Phil, I want to say thank you. Thank you for every single thing you both did on a daily basis for several years now to care for your Dad, my Grandfather. He was able to respectfully live the last years of his life, in ways that made him as happy as he could be & that was possible because of you both! When I reach that point in my life, as we all do eventually, I can only hope to be as blessed & loved like that!

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**Val Gates** - October 31, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Thank you for your service and have such a loving family. RIP

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**Angela Cooley** - October 31, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Papaw, one of the things I regret was not spending time with you in these last years. It is hard for me to go out of town with my situation and I hope you understood that. My condolences to your children and all the family. I love you all. Hugs ???* ”

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**Veronica & Zachary Edens** - October 31, 2018 at 12:00 AM