



Arthur Irving Holden

April 29, 1945 - March 21, 2026

Arthur Irving “Art” Holden, 80, of St. Augustine, Florida, passed away peacefully on March 21, 2026, at Haven Hospice Roberts Care Center in Palatka, Florida. Art fought a courageous, long battle with Lewy Body Dementia.

Arthur was born and raised in Miami, Florida, to the late Dr. Allen and Mary Holden. He graduated in 1963 from Hialeah High School and went on to attend the University of Miami. He proudly served his country in the United States Air Force active duty and continued his service in the reserves for over 20 years. During his military career, he worked as a medic and laboratory manager.

Arthur built a successful career as the owner and operator of a chemical analysis company in Miami. Demonstrating his lifelong commitment to learning, he later earned his bachelor’s degree in Environmental Studies from Florida International University in 1984.

In 1996, Arthur met the love of his life, Eileen, and they were married on May 1, 1998. In 2007, they moved to St. Augustine to be closer to their grandchildren. Art was known for his quiet strength, dry humor and devotion to family.

Art had a deep appreciation for the outdoors and his hobbies included sailing, gardening, model trains, and bird watching. He was a devoted member of Grace United Methodist Church and generously gave his time volunteering as a patient transporter at Flagler Hospital.

He is survived by his wife, Eileen Holden; daughters, Nicole Kalil (Jose), Kimberly Prouty (Kevin); stepchildren, Debi Foster (Douglas), Jimmy Jones (Kathleen) and Joy Case (Michael); brother, Allen Holden (Betty) 13 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Robert Holden.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 1pm on Sunday, April 12, 2026 at St Johns Family Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Friends of the Everglades, <https://www.everglades.org/donate/> Those unable to attend the Celebration of Life may watch the live-stream by going to: <https://iframe.dacast.com/live/2a7a09ae1c0559a83ef537e05e6a14a6/0d926f14-3fd3-923f-c556-1f0bb777106f>

Previous Events

A Celebration of Life

APR 12. 1:00 PM (ET)

ST JOHNS FAMILY FUNERAL HOME
385 State Rd 207
St. Augustine, FL 32084

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Arthur Irving Holden*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - April 07 at 10:51 AM



“ *Dotty Moore purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Arthur Irving Holden.*



Dotty Moore - April 13 at 04:35 PM



“ *3 files added to the album Life Tributes*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - April 11 at 01:21 PM



“ 71 files added to the album LifeTributes



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - April 06 at 04:37 PM

LH

“ I had no idea that Art started a chemical company in Miami. My Dad & Mom are smiling down on Cookie and her family. Thanks for these memories. Lynn Hubinger-Doyle

Lynn Hubinger-Doyle - April 04 at 11:45 AM

BW

“ Art was a much-loved volunteer at UF Health St. Johns Flagler Hospital, and I personally enjoyed working with him. Many hugs and prayers to you, Eileen, and the family.
Beverly Wolfe, Volunteer Services

Beverly Wolfe - April 01 at 07:48 AM

GM

“ The pastor, staff, and congregation members of Grace United Methodist Church wish to extend their sincere Christian sympathy to the family at this time of sorrow. All are included in our prayers.

Grace United Methodist Church C/O Margar - March 31 at 10:29 AM

AJ

“ Alan & Elaine & Jeff & Jeanne purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Arthur Irving Holden.



Alan & Elaine & Jeff & Jeanne - March 30 at 02:20 PM

DO

“ I will always remember him as a kind and loving person.

DottyvMoore - March 30 at 02:08 PM