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Charles Henderson Rains, 86, ascended to be with his Father in Heaven, on Friday, February 23, 2018. There to greet him was his wife of 58-1/2 years, Winona W. Rains, who predeceased him in January, 2016. Charles lived life to the fullest, right up to his last heart beat. Charles was born November 14, 1931, in Birmingham, AL, to Henderson and Mildred (Harrison) Rains, and was the oldest of four children. He married Winona in 1957, and they shared a special bond. He worked in shipbuilding and design for 55 years in Jacksonville, St. Augustine, and Morgan City, LA. He attended JU and served on the FJC Advisory Committee and Duval County High School Welding Advisory Committee. He was Chairman of the N. Florida section of the American Welding Society, and a member of the Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers. Charles served in the Florida National Guard for 12 years and was commended as a Battalion Communication Chief. Charles is survived by his daughters: Kathy Massey (Hiram) Fleming Island, FL; Karen Maples (Chuck Eiler) Fishers, IN; and Elaine Milsark (Keith) Happy Valley, OR; and grandchildren: Julia Creasy (Neil), Leighton, AL; Allison Maples and Charles Maples, Fishers, IN; Lydia Milsark, Gainesville, FL; and Joseph Milsark, Happy Valley, OR. He also leaves to cherish his memory, his beloved sister, Jeannette Capo (Donald), St. Augustine, FL; his loving brother-in-law Archie Watson (Marsha), Hastings, FL, and many cousins, nieces and

nephews. Services will be held Tuesday, March 6 at St. Johns Family Funeral Home; visitation at 11am and a noontime funeral service. A graveside service will follow at Greenlawn Cemetery in Jacksonville. Arrangements are under the care of St Johns Family Funeral Home & Crematory.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Sad to hear of the passing of my cousin Charles. Many fond memories of Harrison Res and fun time with cousins. God Bless you all.*

Jan Isley Burchfield - March 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Sincerely sorry to hear of the Passing of my cousin Charles. To all of his family,our sincere condolences. We are thinking of each of you in your time of sorrow.*

Danny Isley - March 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Jeanette & family - how sad I am tonight to hear of the passing of Charlie. I loved him dearly and will miss him, but know I will see him again one day in Heaven! Please give his girls a hug for us. Love...Cousins Judy & Charles*

Judy Isley Gamble - March 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM