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Captain Donald Byron Capo Sr. Obituary The family of Captain Donald Byron Capo Sr. announces his death on April 2, 2018 at the age of 78. Donald passed away at his daughter's home in North Augusta, SC surrounded by his family. Born in St. Augustine on May 12, 1939 into an original Menorcan family to Evelyn Roche Capo and Ronald Victor Capo, Donald was the oldest son of five siblings. He graduated from Ketterlinus High School where he was active in sports and civic leadership. Donald went on to a career of boat building at DESCO Marine, St. Augustine Trawlers and later at Don Capo & Son Marine. He was active in the marine community his entire life receiving his Merchant Mariners Masters Captains license and serving as a SAMS marine surveyor in Florida, Georgia and the Bahamas. Donald enjoyed fishing and boating but most of all boat building and restoration. His work is remembered through the thousands of shrimp boats, Bahamian fishing fleet and the famous Calypso. Donald was also an active and devout Christian helping to establish several churches in St. Augustine, including Anastasia Baptist Church and Crescent Beach Baptist Church. He engaged in several mission trips around the world spreading the word of Christ, including Jamaica, Bahamas, Israel, China and the Ukraine. Donald's life was spent surrounded by a large and loving family, hundreds of church friends and work associates. Most remember him for the respect he gave to everyone and his

willingness to help, no matter what the situation. Donald is survived by his wife of 57 years Jeanette Capo, daughter Juliana Head (Barry), of N. Augusta, SC, son Byron Capo (Amy), of St. Augustine, granddaughter Amelia Roche' Hyde (Zachery), of Charleston, SC and brother Robert Victor Capo (Kathy), of St. Augustine, step siblings Kathy and Tom Melchiorre of Wildwood, N.J.; Jack Cowan of Seattle, Wash; and Tiare and Alphie Azpiazu of St. Augustine and many nieces and nephews and cousins. Donald was preceded in death by his sister Barbara Capo Ezelle (husband Jimmy), brothers John "Sydney" Capo (wife Gloria), and Jerry William "Billy" Capo. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, April 7, at 11:00am, at Crescent Beach Baptist Church, with Dr. David Beauchamp officiating. The family will receive friends after the service. In lieu of flowers, the family request that contributions may be made to the Florida Baptist Children's Home, Bahamas Mission Trip c/o of Crescent Beach Baptist Church or the American Heart Association. Arrangements are under the care of St Johns Family Funeral Home & Crematory.

Tribute Wall

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“ Joe And I worked with Donald for many years at Trawlers. He was so easy going , always smiling. Great memories of Donald. He was a great person to know. Thoughts and prayers to Jan, Juliana, Byron, and his brother Robert.

Joe & Laurie Petty - April 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ Juliana, Sending prayers of comfort for you and all of the family. I cannot imagine what you are going through having this happen so suddenly. Reading the life legacy of your father I can see that he was a wonderful man. I am so glad that Brooke got to meet him and spend some time with your parents while visiting their home some years ago. May God wrap his arms around you in the days ahead. If you need us for anything we are here. Laura & Gene

Laura Smith Jeffers - April 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM