



Jackie Lee Downs

July 27, 1946 - March 18, 2026

Jackie Lee Downs, 79, of Palm Coast, passed away on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at Flagler Health and Rehabilitation Center in Bunnell.

Born in Lewis, Missouri, Jackie was the son of the late Robert L. and Margory E. Downs. He was the devoted husband of 33 years to Carol L. Downs.

Jackie was a hardworking and talented man who owned and operated D&H Auto Body for over 30 years. While operating D&H Auto Body, he continued his strong work ethic as a forklift driver for John Deere. Outside of work, Jackie had a passion for building street rods, attending car shows, and riding motorcycles. He was an avid NASCAR fan and found great joy in spending time with his beloved Yorkshire Terriers. Jackie was of the Catholic faith.

In addition to his parents, Jackie was preceded in death by his sister, Carolyn Rutledge, and his brothers, Charles and Melvin Downs.

He is survived by his loving wife, Carol L. Downs; his daughter, Tina McCarty and her husband, Jim; his stepchildren, Lori Forgie, Dana Forgie, Terrence Forgie and his wife, Cindy, and Jerry Forgie; his sister, Judy Heckle; 12 grandchildren; and many cherished great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Jackie will be remembered for his love of speed, craftsmanship, and the joy he brought to those around him. As his family fondly shares, he is now “squealing wheels in heaven with no fear of speeding tickets.”

Services will be held at the convenience of the family.

Those wishing to share messages of sympathy and encouragement may visit his online tribute page. <https://www.stjohnsfamilyfuneralhome.com/obituaries/jackie-downs/#!/TributeWall>.

St. Johns Family Funeral Home of St. Augustine is assisting the family with arrangements.

Tribute Wall

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“ Jack was the brother of my uncle chuck so I have known him for many years. He introduced me to my husband, Gary, and we have now been married almost 55 years (jul). He was like a big brother to me. We didnt always agree on things but I knew we would always be friends as well as family. Our sincere condolences to the family.

Harriett Griffin - March 31 at 03:57 PM