



James Donald Acosta

May 2, 1935 - August 4, 2020

James Donald Acosta (Big Daddy), age 85, of St. Augustine, passed away on August 4, 2020 at his home surrounded by family members. He was a native and lifelong resident of St. Augustine and was proud of his Minorcan descent. He attended local schools and grew up learning the building trades and was well known in the area for his tile masonry work. He owned his own company, Acosta Tile and many in the area benefitted from his craftsmanship. James also served the community in his role as Chief of the St Augustine Police Reserves. He loved the outdoors and enjoyed fishing and hunting. He also enjoyed painting and woodworking, creating pieces that his family enjoys to this day. He was married to his wife Sylvia for 65 years and together they left quite a legacy. He will be deeply missed by his family and those whose lives he touched.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother Herbie Acosta. He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Sylvia Acosta of St. Augustine; sons, James (Dottie), Christopher (Bunny), Carl (Nina), and Bryant; his daughter, Pamela Sue Watson (Edward); brother, Terry Bishop; 17 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren.

A visitation will be held from 5-7 PM on Friday, August 7, 2020 at St Johns

Family Funeral Home. A funeral service will be held at 11:30 AM on Saturday, August 8, 2020 at St Johns Family Funeral Home with Father William Mooney officiating. Interment will follow at Craig Memorial Park. In keeping with the CDC COVID 19 guidance we encourage attendees to wear a mask and practice social distancing. We also ask that if you are at high risk, feeling ill, or traveling from an area with a high level of infection, please do not attend the visitation or service. Those unable to attend can view the service live streamed at <https://iframe.dacast.com/b/156599/c/iframe.dacast.com/b/156599/c/549019>

St. Johns Family Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Cemetery Details

Craig Memorial Park

2600 Old Moultrie Rd
St Augustine, FL 32086

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 7. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

St. Johns Family Funeral Home
385 SR 207
St. Augustine, FL 32084
(904) 824-1625
<https://www.stjohnsfamilyfuneralhome.com>

Funeral Service

AUG 8. 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

St. Johns Family Funeral Home
385 State Road 207
St. Augustine, FL

Committal

AUG 8. 12:45 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Craig Memorial Park
2600 Old Moultrie Rd
St Augustine, FL 32086

Tribute Wall



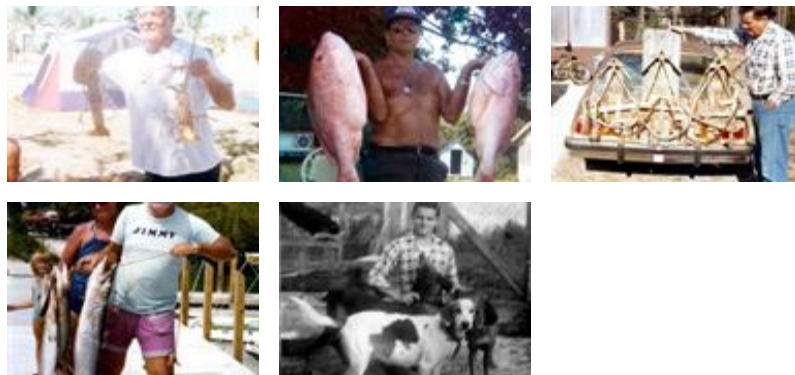
“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James Donald Acosta*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 07, 2020 at 11:00 AM



“ *23 files added to the album Life Tributes*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 21, 2020 at 10:28 AM



“ 26 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - August 07, 2020 at 10:49 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms* was purchased for the family of James Donald Acosta.



August 07, 2020 at 09:42 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of James Donald Acosta.



August 06, 2020 at 05:26 PM