



## James Burdette

February 21, 1957 - May 26, 2025

James A Burdette, "Jim," awesome son of Joseph and Helen Burdette, died on May 26, 2025 surrounded by his loving family. Jim served his country honorably and retired from the Navy. He served on the Saratoga and was a proud sailor. After retiring from the Navy he began his second career as a radiology-technologist at St. Luke's Hospital/Mayo Clinic in Jacksonville. He retired from Mayo Clinic in 2019. Jim moved to Saint Augustine where he was very involved with the living history program at the Castillo de San Marcos. Jim loved to explore history and enjoyed his time as a volunteer reenactor at the Castillo de San Marcos. He also enjoyed diving, trail biking and martial arts.

Jim is survived by his loving wife of 20 years, June Patterson; son, Andrew Bocanegra; sister, Barbara Burdette; brothers, Daniel and David Burdette; his in-laws, William Patterson, James Patterson, Robert Patterson, Linda Burdette and Marianne Reamer.

If you were lucky enough to know this man, you know that he was thoughtful, delightful and truly amazing.

# Previous Events

## Public Viewing

JUN 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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

## Funeral Service

JUN 3. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

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

## Graveside Service

JUN 3. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Jacksonville National Cemetery  
4083 Lannie Road  
Jacksonville, FL 32218

# Tribute Wall



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



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**St. Johns Family Funeral Home** - May 30, 2025 at 01:20 PM

RK

*Beautiful memories. He will be missed*

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**Ruth ann Keefer** - May 31, 2025 at 09:50 PM

LK

“ *I am deeply heartbroken by this. I met Jim while stationed at Navy Mayport clinic and we became best friends. For 10 years we did everything together. Movies, mountain biking, canoing he was up for any crazy adventure I came up with. Up until last year we were still communicating weekly via phone because he was learning castillian spanish for his cannoneer duties but shortly after I never got a call back from a missed call of his. Today I decided to look up the cannoneer schedule so I could make plans with my husband to catch him there. I am so so sorry to have lost a wonderful friend too soon and for June and the rest of his family and friends.*

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**loly keenan** - January 03 at 10:12 AM

DB

“ Sending our condolences to the Burdette Family.  
I never met you, Jimmy. But I did enjoy our phone talks. Our Lil Malik talks like he knew you just by the few talks he had on the phone with you.

Gege will have stories about Jimmy to tell him and me too.  
Thank You for your service in the Navy.  
June and Andy sending you both and the family hugs.

Til we all see each other again, RIP Jimmy  
give Ms Helen and Sherman hugs for us

Love Always David & Linda



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David Burdette - June 03, 2025 at 06:28 PM

DB

“ Today is a very sad day in my life, my big brother my rock passed away. there are no words to describe the pain I feel. my heart is hurting. In time I heal, and remember what a great man he was what a great big brother he was . I will never forget you Jim.

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David Burdette - June 03, 2025 at 06:24 PM

BB

“ Beloved Brother Jimmy,, With a broken heart and tear filled eyes I wright this Tribute,, he is the best kind of brother, never forgot a birthday or holiday would send cards and just made you feel loved and special. Danny David and I .. will Love you and miss you for the rest of our life's ..... will see you in heaven. With love your sister Barbara

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Barbara Burdette - June 03, 2025 at 10:09 AM

RH

“ I was so lucky to know Jim as my martial arts companion and good friend for more than 30 years until his tragic departure several days ago. He was a truly kind and loving person. During Hap Ki Do practice, he was always very careful not to injure anyone with his extraordinary strength that would have crushed simultaneous opponents. I could barely wrap my arms around him in bear hug rehearsals which felt like hugging an oak tree. I will miss him

Ralph Haddad - June 02, 2025 at 01:40 PM

SK

“ Keeping James and his family in my prayers. We worked together at St. Lukes, a very kind and caring person.

Stanley Kata - June 02, 2025 at 09:25 AM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James Burdette.

June 01, 2025 at 07:43 PM

KA

“ I am so sad to hear this. I worked with Jim at Mayo Clinic and st. Luke's. He was always very nice and knowledgeable. He was very quiet but always helpful. May God give you peace and comfort during this difficult time.

kathi - June 01, 2025 at 07:42 PM

BA

“ Barbara purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Burdette.



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**Barbara** - June 01, 2025 at 02:45 PM

RK

“ Jim’s sister Barbara and I (Ruthann) are best friends and I practically lived part time at her house when we were younger. Jimmy, Danny and David her brothers were like brothers to me as well. We all had lots of fun. We take for granted that we are going to see our friends some other time and before you know it something happens and you don’t get to see them again. My husband and I moved to St Augustine close to a year and a half and we tried to get together with Jimmy and June and it never happened. He will be missed.

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**Ruth ann Keefer** - May 31, 2025 at 10:02 PM

MK

“ Marianne, Mike, Jess, John, CJ, & Kenz purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Burdette.



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**Marianne, Mike, Jess, John, CJ, & Kenz** - May 31, 2025 at 06:56 PM



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May 30, 2025 at 06:10 PM



“ 47 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**St. Johns Family Funeral Home** - May 30, 2025 at 01:17 PM



“ 12 files added to the album *Castillo*



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**Jill Leverett** - May 30, 2025 at 09:05 AM