



James Nathan Keller Jr.

March 31, 1935 - July 15, 2020

James Nathan Keller, Jr., age 85, of St. Augustine, passed away on July 15, 2020 at the Bailey Family Center for Caring. Known by his friends and family simply as “Jr.”, he was a native and lifelong resident of St. Augustine. He attended Ketterlinus High School and grew up learning the building trades from his father who was a building contractor. In his youth Jr. worked in boat building and later as a foreman for Steve Wehking Construction Company before starting his own company, James Keller, Jr. Construction Company in 1968. Over a period of 25 years he successfully operated his company, building and renovating homes in the St. Augustine South neighborhood and throughout St Johns County. He had a great reputation for his work and was well known throughout the community as an honest businessman. He was a longtime member of Turning Point at Calvary where he served as a Deacon and Sunday School Teacher and was involved in planting several new churches. Jr. had his loves in order: God, family, friends and work. He will be deeply missed by his family and those whose lives he touched.

He was preceded in death by his parents, James Sr. & Emma Keller; a daughter, Nancy Fay; and sisters, Thelma, Barbara, Emma Mae, Charlotte, and Lucille. He is survived by his wife of 67 years, Jean Keller of St. Augustine; sons, Gordon Keller (Linda), James Keller (Donna); his daughter, Stephanie Evans (Mark) all of St. Augustine; grandchildren, Wayne, Robyn, Kenneth, Gregory, Nathan, and Connor; and great-grandchildren, Hayden,

Ethan, Payton, Bethany, Avery, Kade, Ansley, Harrison, Judah and Lawson.

A funeral service will be held at 10 am on Monday, July 20, 2020 at Turning Point at Calvary with Rev. Gordon Keller and Dr. Mark Conrad officiating. Interment will follow at Evergreen Cemetery. A visitation will be held from 3 - 5 PM on Sunday, July 19, 2020 at Turning Point at Calvary. In keeping with the CDC COVID 19 guidance we encourage attendees to wear 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.

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

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Cemetery

505 N Rodriguez Street
St. Augustine, FL 32084

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 19. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Turning Point at Calvary
3500 SR 16
St. Augustine, FL

Funeral Service

JUL 20. 10:00 AM (ET)

Turning Point at Calvary
3500 SR 16
St. Augustine, FL

Tribute Wall



“ *Cross Wind Chime - Bronze was purchased for the family of James Nathan Keller Jr..*



July 19, 2020 at 10:13 AM



“ *JR Keller was always the same person where ever you saw him, church, in a store, or at a social event. He could tell you a story that would seem unbelievable and all of a sudden he would burst out in laughter with that big dry sense of humor he had. And you would almost be tears. You never knew what to expect. We both enjoyed his stories. He raised a beautiful family which speaks out loud to his heritage. He's in his GLORY with his SAVIOR & soon we will all catch up.*

Trenton & Pat Haney - July 18, 2020 at 09:26 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of James Nathan Keller Jr..*



July 18, 2020 at 07:52 AM

DP

“ *Mr. Keller was one of my favorite men of God when I came back to the Lord in the early 90’s. He was an example of the finest type of Christian man I have ever known; quiet spirit, gentle, and had a wonderful sense of humor. He will be truly missed by so many people. Our prayers go out to his wonderful family who have total assurance of where he now resides in Heaven. They have a long journey of grieving (and praising the Lord for saving his soul) in the coming days and years. The world is a little less bright in his passing. Mrs. Jean our prayers go out to your entire family. Your husband left a wonderful legacy for all to see by the wonderful family who is here today!*

Dr. Mark Pope - July 17, 2020 at 04:10 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Nathan Keller Jr..*



July 17, 2020 at 12:22 PM

ED

“ We have so many memories of Jr. it is hard to decide on one, but one that stands out is when he would enter our mobile home the cabinets were a little off and he was such a perfectionist and he could spot anything not right, he would look at those cabinets and start waving that index finger and say "let me fix those cabinets, they are awful", we would tell him we aren't here except for a few months in the winter Jr and they don't bother us. We did finally do what we thought would fix them, but when he came in, instead of pointing his finger he leaned his head and started shaking it, they still weren't right, Now I wouldn't change them for anything because of the sweet memory! We sure did love this brother!

Elwanda Daniels - July 17, 2020 at 11:57 AM

ED

“ Elwanda Daniels purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of James Nathan Keller Jr..



Elwanda Daniels - July 17, 2020 at 11:41 AM

RF

“ Already miss you a lot Jr but will look forward to seeing you in the near future. Bob

Robert Futch - July 17, 2020 at 11:23 AM