



Kelly Eugene Batten

December 7, 1976 - April 13, 2025

Kelly was born in Orange Park, Florida, and grew up in Orangedale, where he developed a strong work ethic, a love for the outdoors, and a deep appreciation for family. He attended Nease High School and went on to graduate from vocational school, where he quickly stood out for his welding skills, earning numerous awards and recognition.

After graduation, Kelly began his career with Smith Maritime, a job that allowed him to travel and do what he loved—working with his hands and building things. Over the years, he became a highly sought-after welder, working with several companies and earning a reputation as a dependable, skilled craftsman.

Kelly was a true jack of all trades, much like his father. He had a gift for fixing and creating just about anything, and his knowledge spanned a wide range of topics. Whether it was welding, woodworking, mechanics, or working outdoors.

He loved the outdoors—especially hunting, fishing, and shrimping—and found peace in the woods and on the water. One of his greatest joys was spending time with his family, especially his grandfather, who taught him many life lessons, including how to care for the family's orange grove.

He is survived by his father and stepmother, Mike and Dee Batten; sister, Michelle Leonard (Steven); nephew and nieces, Andrew Leonard, Carlee Tharpe and Ashlyn Leonard. He was preceded in death by his mother, Linda Batten.

A graveside service will be held at 10am on Saturday, April 19, 2025 at Orangedale Cemetery. A reception will follow the graveside at 12 noon at Turning Point Church. A visitation will be held from 6-8pm on Friday, April 18, 2025 at St. Johns Family Funeral Home.

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

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 18. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

ST JOHNS FAMILY FUNERAL HOME
385 State Rd 207
St. Augustine, FL 32084

Graveside Service

APR 19. 10:00 AM (ET)

Orangedale Cemetery

A Reception will follow the Service

APR 19. 12:00 PM (ET)

Turning Point At Calvary
3500 FL-16
St. Augustine, FL 32092
(904) 829-9795

Tribute Wall



“ *St. Johns Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Kelly Eugene Batten*



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - April 16, 2025 at 03:46 PM

RW

*To captain, Mike and d prayers are with you.
247 God bless you in your family, Uncle rob.*

Robert wilson - April 17, 2025 at 10:08 AM

BG

Please know that our thoughts & prayers are with you all during this incredibly difficult time.

Bruce & Val Gates - April 20, 2025 at 04:10 PM

SD

“ *Sherry Daniels purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Kelly Eugene Batten.*



Sherry Daniels - April 17, 2025 at 12:55 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kelly Eugene Batten.



April 16, 2025 at 07:05 PM



“ So remember so may times Kelly and Michella would come to the home and Play with Andreu and Timothy in the dirt with there trucks. even in the MUD !! Aunt Jimmie

Merrill & Jimmie Batten - April 16, 2025 at 04:48 PM

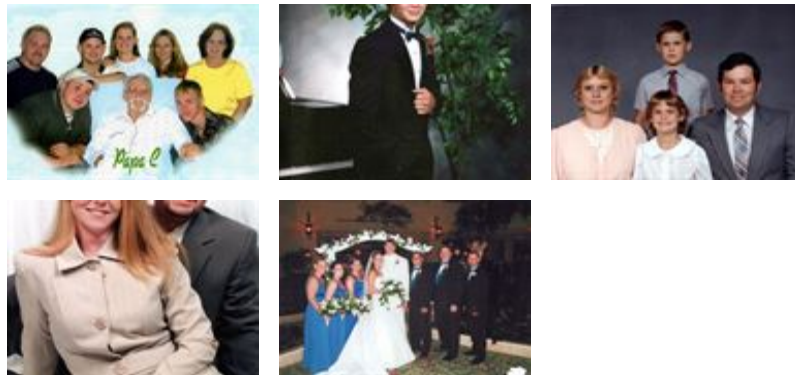


“ All our love to the Batten family. Hugs and kisses to you'll of prayers too

Merrill & Jimmie Batten - April 16, 2025 at 04:13 PM



“ 61 files added to the album Life Tributes



St. Johns Family Funeral Home - April 16, 2025 at 03:43 PM

LB

“ Love Judy, J.H., and Betty purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Kelly Eugene Batten.



Love Judy, J.H., and Betty - April 16, 2025 at 02:33 PM

DS

“ David shortlidge purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Kelly Eugene Batten.



David shortlidge - April 16, 2025 at 11:31 AM

DS

“ David shortlidge planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Kelly Eugene Batten.

David shortlidge - April 16, 2025 at 11:31 AM