



William J "Jack" Bunch

January 19, 1943 - February 12, 2026

William J. "Jack" Bunch, 83, of St. Augustine, passed away peacefully on February 12, 2026, at UF Health St. Johns.

Jack was born in Tampa and later moved to Waycross as a teenager. He graduated in 1961 from Waycross High School. In 1963, he met and married the love of his life, Patsy, beginning a devoted partnership that would span more than six decades.

Jack dedicated much of his professional life to Sears Authorized Dealer Services, where he served as a manager for many years. In 1991, he and Patsy proudly purchased the Sears store, owning and operating it side by side for many years. A tireless worker, Jack was deeply committed to providing for his family. His strong work ethic, integrity, and leadership earned him the respect of colleagues, customers, and the entire community. Everyone knew Jack, and he never met a stranger.

Family was the center of Jack's life. He was a devoted husband and a proud provider, always putting those he loved first. Outside of work, Jack was an avid hunter and fisherman. Each summer, he cherished time spent at the family camp in Ft. McCoy in the Ocala National Forest—his home away from home. Those days in the woods and on the water brought him great joy and created countless lasting memories.

Known for his outgoing personality and quick sense of humor, Jack loved to joke and was often the life of the party. His warmth, laughter, and generous spirit left a lasting impression on all who knew him.

Jack's legacy of hard work, love for family, and dedication to his community will live on in the hearts of those who were blessed to know him.

A celebration of Jack's life will be held 1:00 p.m. Friday March 13, 2026 at Freedom Church, 1740 State Road 207, St. Augustine, FL 32086.

He is survived by his loving wife, Patsy Bunch; children, Chris Bunch and Jana Waler; grandchildren, Lana, Heidi, Jacqueline and Jacob Waler and sister, Jeanette Brown. He was preceded in death by his parents, Jack and Sadie Elizabet Bunch.

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

Previous Events

A Celebration of Life

MAR 13. 1:00 PM (ET)

Freedom Church

1740 FL-207

St. Augustine, FL 32086

Tribute Wall

SJ

“ As a former employee...
Sincere condolences to the family!
~Sheila Lawrence James

Sheila Lawrence James - February 28 at 11:28 PM

SG

“ We have lost a wonderful man! He was everything a daddy, husband, and friend should be. He truly had a smile on his face every time I saw him. He gave the best hugs, and was always happy! May your family hold on to all your wonderful memories! May he rest in peace until we see him again💙

Sandra Goode - February 18 at 09:29 PM

TG

“ Our hearts are saddened by the news of Mr. Jack's passing. He was definitely one of the good ones. He gave me a job at Sears years ago and taught me what true customer service was all about. Always had a hunting story for me and had such an amazing sense of humor. It never seemed like work when he was around. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Mrs. Patsy, Chris & Jana and the grandkids. Love you all

Tim & Denise Gause - February 18 at 12:10 PM

LP

“ I am so saddened to hear that Mr. Bunch has passed. Such a wonderful man, he always had a smile to share and loved his family dearly!! Heaven sure did gain a beautiful soul! My thoughts, prayers and deepest condolences for Mrs. Bunch and the rest of the family.
Big hugs Patsy!
Lisa Payne

Lisa Payne - February 17 at 07:24 PM

MA

Dearest Patsy, Chris and Jana and to all the family, I am so sorry to learn of the passing of "Mr. Jack". Such a warm, generous and humorous man.! A man who certainly showed his love for his family and friends.The "Bunch" family were so close and kind to my daughter, Anissa,when she rented from them. Treated her as their own family. My thoughts and prayers are with you all! Jack will be deeply missed. Cherish all the wonderful memories you have. Sincerely, Melinda Ausley

Melinda Ausley - February 18 at 06:36 AM

JD

That smile on his face said so much. He had the best laugh. Jack made everyone feel comfortable whether it was sharing a joke, selling an appliance or asking about your day. When you were his friend, it meant something. He was there for you! May his dear family, whom I love, feel God's peace. Sending our prayers, sympathy and love. Jill and Al Davis

Jill Davis - February 18 at 12:14 PM

DT

I am so sorry to hear about your loss. He was a great man. A good businessman too knew his appliances always gave us a good deal. To me, Chris is a lot like his daddy kind sweet funny. My prayers will be with the family God bless love ya ,Deborah and John Thomas.

Deborah Thomas - March 06 at 01:31 PM