



Charles Herbert Tillman

August 23, 1937 - May 4, 2026

Charles Herbert Tillman, 88, passed away on May 4, 2026. Charles was born on August 23, 1937, in Socrum, FL Polk County. He was greeted in heaven by his wife Dimple Jean Tillman, son Allen Dale Tillman, parents George and Dollie Tillman, sisters Edith Sherrouse, Vera Johnston, brother Donald Tillman, all of whom preceded him in death. He is survived by their children Billy Newell (Sandra) of Anniston, AL, Derrell Newell of Land O' Lakes, FL, and Bruce Tillman (Suzanne Tillman) of Live Oak, FL. He has 10 grandchildren, 12 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

He moved with his family to Avon Park, FL in 1944 and then to Hardee County in 1952. He went on to serve in the Air Force from 1953-1956. He served in law enforcement in the Hardee County Sheriff's Department for 22 years where he was a jailor, deputy, and detective during that span. During that same span he would make Jesus Christ his Lord and Savior. Later he would work for the Zolfo Springs Police Department for 3 years and would eventually become the Chief of Police before retiring.

He was an avid outdoorsman, painter, DIY expert, storyteller of his ventures

and career, and loved to play and sing Blue Grass and Gospel music. He loved to tell people about his family. In addition to playing and singing in church he would continue that ministry in the Assisted Living Home they moved to a few years ago in Sebring, FL.

The funeral will be at Faith Temple Church of God at 10:00 a.m. on May 22, 2026. Visitation with the family is at 9:30. The interment will be at New Hope Cemetery following the service.

Cemetery Details

New Hope Cemetery

1998 SR 64 East
Wauchula, FL 33873

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 22. 9:30 AM (ET)

Faith Temple Church Of God
701 N 7th Ave
Wauchula, FL 33873
(863) 773-3800
<http://www.faithfilledchurch.com/>

Funeral

MAY 22. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ We loved and appreciated Bro Charles so much. His gift of playing the guitar and singing for church services at the assisted living in Sebring was such a blessing!!! We will miss him but someday soon we will see him again. Prayers for his family!! Pastor Dick and Brenda Easterling

Dick Easterling - May 22 at 06:30 PM