



## Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr

May 29, 1944 - September 22, 2020

Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr, 76, a lifelong resident of Wauchula, peacefully passed away on Tuesday, September 22, 2020 at Sebring, FL. He was born in the family home off Steve Robert Special on May 29, 1944 in Zolfo Springs, Florida. Donnie enjoyed spending time with family, growing vegetables in the garden, and riding his motorcycle. He was also an avid outdoorsman and marksman. Donnie was a member of First Baptist Church of Wauchula for many years. He is remembered for his sense of humor and wit. Inspired by seeing his first patrol car, at the age of 3, Donnie dreamed of being a State Trooper. After graduating from Hardee High in 1963, he served in the Army National Guard. Donnie attended the FL Highway Patrol Academy in Tallahassee to patrol the FL Highways for 37 ½ years. He began his career in Broward County, followed by Hillsborough, Hendry, and Glades, completed his duty in Hardee and DeSoto Counties. He is now patrolling the golden “Highways of Heaven”.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward Thompson and Lorraine Thompson Rainey, sister and brother-in-law, Velma and Joe Trussell and stepfather, Claude Rainey.

Survivors include his wife, Andrea Thompson of Wauchula, FL; sons, Gary Thompson (Marisol) of Germany; Donald E Thompson Jr “Donnie” (Mandy) of

Avon Park, Fl; Jason E Thompson (Fiancé- Deborah) of Yulee, Fl; Bradley E Thompson of Wauchula, Fl; Brandt Rainey E Thompson (Bridget) of Tampa, Fl; daughter, Jill Thompson Kersey (David) of Arcadia, Fl; sister, Faye Lowe (Thurman Sr) of Zolfo Springs, Fl; grandchildren, Jonathan Thompson, Nicole Thompson, Brylei Thompson, Brently Thompson, and Stephanie Kersey Mclaughlin (Jared), great grandchildren, Holden Mclaughlin and Easton Mclaughlin.

A visitation will be held on Saturday, September 26, 2020 at 10:00 am at First Baptist Church in Wauchula. A Celebration of Life will follow at 11:00 am at First Baptist Church. Pastor Joe Butler and Mr. Marcus Shackelford will be officiating services.

Donations in Donnie's Memory may be made to Harvest Aviation.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

SEP **26.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Wauchula  
1570 W. Main Street  
Wauchula, FL 33873

## Celebration of Life

SEP **26.** 11:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ Thank you for all your years of service in the Florida Highway Patrol! I was fortunate enough to have met you, your wife, and young children when you served at Troop F, Manatee County Florida! My Condolences to your wife and family. Your legacy lives on in the lives you touched!



Michael LeRoy - March 03, 2021 at 01:42 AM



“ Blue & White Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr.



September 26, 2020 at 04:43 AM

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“ Karen Avery, Brenton, Bree, And Baylee lit a candle in memory of Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr



Karen Avery, Brenton, Bree, and Baylee - September 25, 2020 at 11:02 PM

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“ Alice McGhee lit a candle in memory of Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr



Alice McGhee - September 25, 2020 at 07:12 PM

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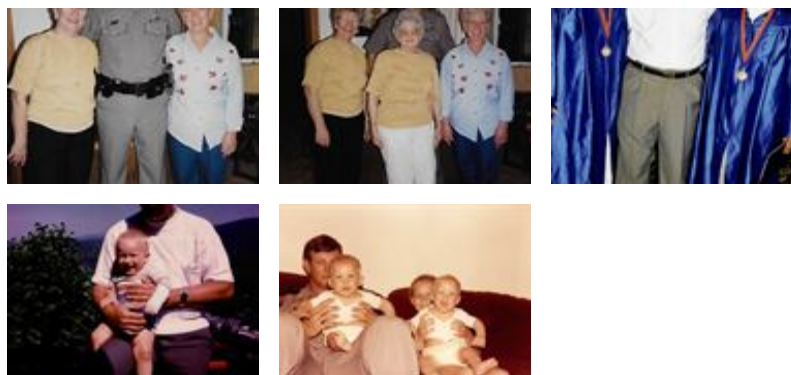
“ Becky Adame lit a candle in memory of Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr



Becky Adame - September 25, 2020 at 01:38 PM



“ 174 files added to the album LifeTributes



Robarts Family Funeral Home - September 25, 2020 at 12:22 PM



“ *Pink & White Large Sympathy Vase Arrangement was purchased for the family of Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr.*



September 25, 2020 at 11:57 AM



“ *A good guy! Prayers for all of you. Proud to have been a friend.*

**Ken Smith** - September 25, 2020 at 10:52 AM



“ *Blue & White Sympathy Basket was purchased for the family of Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr.*



September 25, 2020 at 08:21 AM



“ *Red, White & Blue Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr.*



September 25, 2020 at 08:14 AM



“ *Lillian Hughes lit a candle in memory of Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr*



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**Lillian Hughes** - September 24, 2020 at 12:30 PM



“ *Renee Faulkner lit a candle in memory of Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr*



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**Renee Faulkner** - September 23, 2020 at 04:06 PM



“ *White Standing Spray was purchased for the family of Donald (Donnie) Edward Thompson Sr.*



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September 23, 2020 at 02:21 PM