



Thomas Watkins

February 25, 1945 - December 20, 2012

Thomas Howard Watkins, 67, of Wauchula, passed away at Lakeland Regional Medical Center on December 20, 2012. He was born in Jefferson City, Missouri on February 25, 1945 and had been a resident of Hardee County most of his life. He was employed by the State of Florida as a surveyor, and was a member of the Apostolic Lighthouse in Bowling Green. Survivors include two sons, Tommy Watkins and wife Nikki of Maryland, and Allen Eures and wife Avie of Fort Green; four daughters, Emmy Jackson and husband Paul of Haines City, Devon Stubbs of Milton, Teresa Reehm and husband Ray of Wisconsin, and Rebecca Estes and husband Gator of Arcadia; and four sisters, Linda Gayle Reeves of Bowling Green, Joyce Albritton of Bowling Green, Carolyn Dixon of Winter Haven, and Betty Jo Judah of Bowling Green.

Visitation will be held on Saturday, December 22, 2012 at Robarts Garden Chapel from 2:00-3:00 p.m., with funeral services at 3:00 p.m. Rev. Bob Bates will officiate.

Tribute Wall

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“ *My thoughts are with the Watkins family. In Psalms 46:1 God is for us a refuge and strength. A help that is readily to be found during distresses.*

Barb Layton - January 31, 2013 at 12:29 PM

EJ

“ *He was a wonderful man and a great Dad! He will be missed dearly. Thanks Lisa, I'm sure they have found each other and are doing exactly that :)*

Emmy Watkins Jackson - December 27, 2012 at 09:55 AM

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“ *Sorry for your loss. I remember Howard when he was my mom's neighbor and we had some good times together. Now he can hang out with my dad and maybe they can go fishing in God's great big river.*

Lisa Goodwin Bivens - December 22, 2012 at 12:29 PM