

## Philip Oliver Vause Sr.

July 24, 1935 - July 25, 2020

Philip Oliver Vause Sr., 85 of Crawfordville/Woodville died Saturday July 25th with his family by his side. Philip graduated from Leon High School in 1953. He was in the Army National Guard for two years before joining the United States Navy. He served four years of active duty aboard the USS Gregory DD 802 and was in the Navy Reserves for an additional four years. After discharge from the Navy he attended Florida State University while working at Woodville Lumber Company and then Booker and Company. He was employed by the Florida Highway Patrol in 1964 as a State Trooper. He was stationed in Ocala, Florida. While in Ocala he was an active member of Northside Missionary Baptist Church. Twenty years later he returned to Wakulla County. He became involved with the Dogs Hunters Association and the Recreation Department. He was even a great "Santa" for the festivals at the Rec Park, Shadeville and Medart Elementary schools. Philip was a member of the Masonic Lodge #294. He was also a member of First Baptist Church of Woodville. He was an outdoorsman who loved to hunt and fish. Philip was very much a people person who loved his time at the Flea Market, swapping, trading or just visiting with everyone.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Loyce Pennington Vause, his mother Pearl Oliver Vause, four children, Cynthia Ann Vause, Philip Oliver Vause Jr. and wife Robin; Shane Eric Vause and wife Kim. Michele Vause Lawhon and husband Chris. Six grandchildren, Philip Oliver Vause III, Mitchell Andrew Vause, Taylor Marie Lawhon, Cahah Alan Vause, Trenton Wayne Lawhon and

Remie Shane Vause.

Celebration of Life Services will be Friday August 7, 2020 starting at 11:00 am at the First Baptist Church of Woodville. The family will receive friends an hour prior to the service. Burial will be at the Tallahassee National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to [CovenantCare.org](http://CovenantCare.org) or First Baptist Church of Woodville 9500 Woodville Highway, Tallahassee, FL. 32305.

The Vause family would like to express their appreciation to Eden Springs and Covenant Care for all the assistance given throughout their journey.

Skip and Trey Young of Family Funeral Home at Harvey Young Chapel are assisting the family with arrangements.

[Familyfhc.com](http://Familyfhc.com) ~ 850-926-5919

# Cemetery Details

## Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway  
Tallahassee, FL 32311  
<http://www.cem.va.gov>

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

AUG 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church Woodville  
9500 Woodville Hwy.  
Woodville, FL 32305

# Tribute Wall



“ *Young Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Philip Oliver Vause Sr.*



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**Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services** - July 30, 2020 at 03:11 PM

PL

*What a wonderful tribute to Phyllip Vause. I was good friends with Loyce in high school but never had the pleasure of meeting her husband. I am so sorry but we will all be together someday. I love you Loyce 🙏🙏*

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**pat Laman Lyle** - July 30, 2020 at 05:38 PM

BH

*Ms. Loyce and family, you are all in my thoughts and prayers during this time of loss. I am so grateful that I got to come see Mr. Phillip the Thursday before. I love you all dearly and I loved his tribute video. I feel that being surrounded by such a loving and wonderful family has to be one of God's greatest blessings. Love and prayers for you all. It was my honor and privilege to of known Mr. Phillip and to of been part of his care because you all know how special your family is to me. God bless you all.*

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**Becky Holley** - July 31, 2020 at 04:10 AM

AS

“ Ashley sent a virtual gift in memory of Philip Oliver Vause Sr.



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Ashley - August 09, 2020 at 05:54 PM

AS

“ I wish I got the chance to say goodbye. 💔  
I will never forget you. I love you phillip



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Ashley - August 09, 2020 at 05:53 PM

BA

“ Barbara lit a candle in memory of Philip Oliver Vause Sr.



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Barbara - August 08, 2020 at 11:52 PM

AN

“ Angie lit a candle in memory of Philip Oliver Vause Sr.



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Angie - August 08, 2020 at 11:49 PM



“ *Fay Spotz lit a candle in memory of Philip Oliver Vause Sr.*



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**Fay Spotz** - August 02, 2020 at 06:10 PM

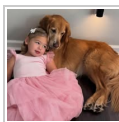


“ *My sister ,Joyce Grantham at that time ,were Mr. Vauses' neighbors in Cedar Hills in Ocala,Fl. way back when this gentleman served as a State Trooper..He stopped by the house we lived in at the time. and he left us with a wonderful blessed feeling about him,we respected him so much and he just left such a great impression on us..you could not help but admire him... Your family has to be so very proud of him...I have thought about him and often wondered how he was doing..God Bless his precious family and I will keep you all in my prayers!! May he forever rest in peace wrapped in our heavenly Fathers loving embrace...*



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**Fay Spotz** - August 02, 2020 at 06:09 PM



*Thank you!*

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**Michele Lawhon** - August 02, 2020 at 10:13 PM

JC

“ Mrs. Vause, Cindy, Phil, Shane, Michelle, and the entire Vause family: Please accept my deepest condolences on the passing of your husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather too if I'm not mistaken.

As a kid growing up in Cedar Hills Mr. and Mrs. Vause were almost second parents to me. I remember Mr. Vause in his State Trooper uniform before his retirement... he was always somewhat larger than life to me, a big man with a big heart. It's interesting how just one person can have an impact on your life. He was the type of man willing to help if he possibly could, which he did on more than one occasion for me. One time when I was around seventeen my mother and father were out of town. I got myself into big trouble around 2 AM with no one to call for help but him. He got out of bed, came down to get me and brought me home. No judgement. He asked if I'd learned my lesson, then never said another word about it. I will always remember and appreciate that.

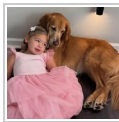
I was always amazed at how he could catch fish, even when nobody else was catching them. The first REAL Bass Master I've ever known. I know he loved his sweet tea and Mrs. Vause's was and is still to this day the best I've ever had the pleasure of drinking. And I drank a LOT of it! Although he never said anything he had to have been peeved to find (again) that dang near empty jug!

A few more fond memories: his Chevy with RVT's, Grasshopper bass boat, Salt Springs hunt club, that CB base station that could broadcast to China- RedDog (!), the day he brought a mini-bike home for Cindy and Phil. Many, many more.

Rest in Peace Mr. Vause. I know you are in a better place, smiling and awaiting your family's arrival.

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**Jack Chappell** - August 02, 2020 at 09:02 AM



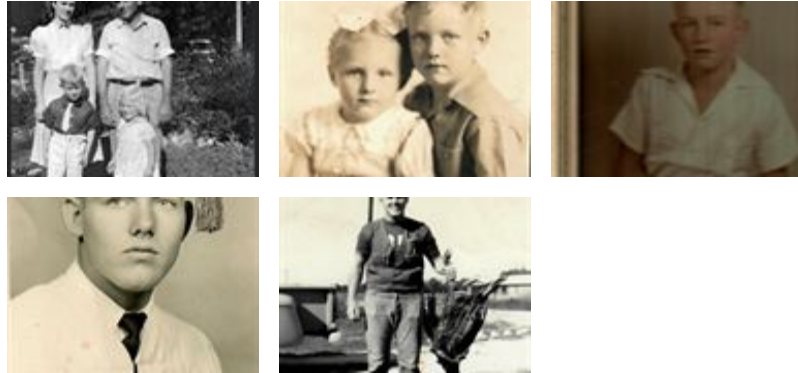
Thank you so much the memories! Our family appreciates them. It's so nice to hear from other people.

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**Michele Lawhon** - August 02, 2020 at 10:12 PM



“ 121 files added to the album *LifeTributes*

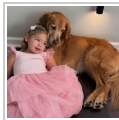


Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services - July 30, 2020 at 02:38 PM



“ *Philip always had a story, a joke, or something to make you smile. He was a great guy and he will be missed.*  
Neal and Karen Harper  
Crawfordville, FL

Karen Harper - July 28, 2020 at 05:10 PM



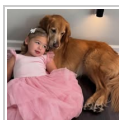
*Thank you*

Michele Lawhon - July 29, 2020 at 02:58 PM



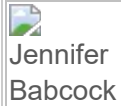
“ *Worked with Phil in Ocala middle 60s*  
*Phil was a great Trooper to work with and be around. RIP Friend*

Harvey Shoaff - July 28, 2020 at 08:42 AM



*Thank you. I was young when he had to retire, due to his injury, so I don't have many memories of his trooper days.*

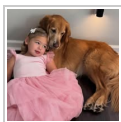
Michele Lawhon - July 29, 2020 at 02:54 PM



Jennifer Babcock

“ *Thinking of you all during this time.*

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**Jennifer Babcock** - July 28, 2020 at 06:30 AM



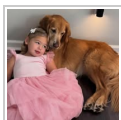
*Thank you*

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**Michele Lawhon** - July 29, 2020 at 02:54 PM

RW

“ *Philip was a walking history book you didn't just stop by to see him for a minute better be ready to sit awhile. Philip rest easy*

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**Ray Williams** - July 27, 2020 at 11:48 AM



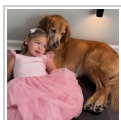
*Indeed! He was such a people person!*

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**Michele Lawhon** - July 29, 2020 at 02:55 PM

RH

“ *Philip started telling stories the first time I met him when I ran the cables to his house when he moved back to Wakulla. The stories never ran out and every time I reach for my pocket knife I will miss you my friend.*

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**Robert S. Heindel** - July 26, 2020 at 10:57 AM



*Dad sure loved for anyone to listen! He would talk for hours.*

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**Michele Lawhon** - July 29, 2020 at 02:56 PM