



Col. Norman Lewis Powell

May 30, 1927 - April 8, 2025

Col. Norman Lewis Powell, age 97, passed away on Tuesday, April 8, 2025, at the Bailey Center UF Health Flagler Hospital in St. Augustine, Florida.

Norman was born in Morganton, North Carolina, on May 30, 1927, to Sidney and Mildred Powell. In 1944, at the age of 17, he enlisted in the US Navy and served in WWII and for a year afterward. Upon returning to Morganton, he held several different positions in railroad and grocery. In 1950, he married Norma Harris, and they spent 73 happy years together.

Norman had a long career with the National Guard. Soon after his marriage, he enlisted in the North Carolina National Guard, becoming full time in 1954. He served 36 years in the Guard, and through his hard work, pursuit of supplemental training, and dependability, he rose up through the ranks, achieving full colonel before his retirement in 1986. He held posts in Asheville, Charlotte, and Raleigh, NC. Upon retiring, he moved to St. Augustine, Florida, and later, in 1991, moved to Dowling Park, Florida.

He is preceded in death by his parents, his wife, and his brothers Bill and Jimmy.

He is survived by his daughter, Lynn Baker (Ken) of St. Augustine, FL, his son, Brian Powell (Angela) of Matthews, NC, brother John Powell (Mimi) of

Cherryville, NC, brother Ben Powell (Sandy) of Stanton, VA, five grandchildren: Alaina West-Underwood, Jessica Bellamy (Matt), Ben Powell, Carolyn Larson (Rob), and Rachel Phillips (Allen), and nine great-grandchildren: Ryan, Landon, Savannah, Addison, Caroline, Brody, Anson, Audrey, and Jack.

Norman was a long-time member of the Advent Christian Village Church, and he loved his family and his community well. He never forgot a birthday, and loved entertaining his grandchildren and greats too with long golf cart rides. He held many different volunteer positions at "the Village", most recently as caretaker of "Norm's Book Nook" at the Twice Nice store and deliverer of the Friendly Neighbor newspaper.

Funeral services will be held Sunday, April 27, 2025, at 2:00 pm at the graveside, Bixler Memorial Gardens East, Hwy 136, located at the Advent Christian Village in Dowling Park, Florida. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Advent Christian Village, Dowling Park, Florida.

For any questions please call Beggs Funeral Home - Madison Chapel at (850) 973-2258. Condolences may be left on our website at beggsfuneral.com.

Cemetery Details

Bixler Memorial Garden East

Live Oak, FL 32060

Previous Events

Graveside Funeral Service

APR **27**. 2:00 PM (ET)

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