



JP Prine

April 5, 1921 - September 22, 2016

JP Prine passed away, September 22, 2016 after an extended illness at Lakeland Regional Medical Center. Loving Husband and Father, " Jake" Prine, as he was known by friends, was born in Hamilton County FL, April 5th, 1921. He married his lovely bride, Hettie Lou Prine in 1946 and would have celebrated their 70th Wedding Anniversary on November 2, 2016.

From having never seen the ocean as a farm boy, he managed to sail over 200,000 miles in WWII with the Navy as an original 1942 crew member of the Battleship USS Alabama, now a museum in Mobile, Alabama. A ship that managed to survive combat missions in the North Atlantic & Pacific and was the first Navy ship to enter Tokyo Bay as part of the formal surrender of Japan. He then enjoyed a successful 35 year career as a member of the Boilermakers Union and played a part in building Nuclear Power Plants all over the USA. He and his family called Lakeland home since 1958; loved gardening and catching a good football or baseball game as his recreation. He is survived by his wife, Hettie Lou Prine; sisters, Rosalie Pennington & Lucille Thomas; son and daughter-in-law Jerry & Lisa Prine; son, Ted Prine; granddaughters, Ashley Prine, Rachael Spangler, Lyles & Lexi Prine; great granddaughter, Mila Spangler.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, September 27, 2016, from 6 to 8 pm, at Gentry Morrison Southside Chapel, 1727 Bartow Road, Lakeland. A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, September 28, 2016 at 10 am, also at the funeral home

In lieu of flowers, JP's family request that donations be made to the Wounded Warriors Project at www.woundedwarriorproject.org.

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP **27**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Gentry-Morrison Funeral Homes - Southside Chapel
1727 Bartow Road
Lakeland, FL 33801
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Funeral Service

SEP **28**. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



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What a beautiful vision of one of the world's finest men. My family have known Teddy, PA & MA Prine. He was special indeed and the world lost a great man, but heaven gained an angel. I'm praying for strength & peace for this wonderful family. With special love & hugs, Cindy Batman Collins

Cindy Batman Collins - September 27, 2016 at 06:36 PM



“ *JP Prine*

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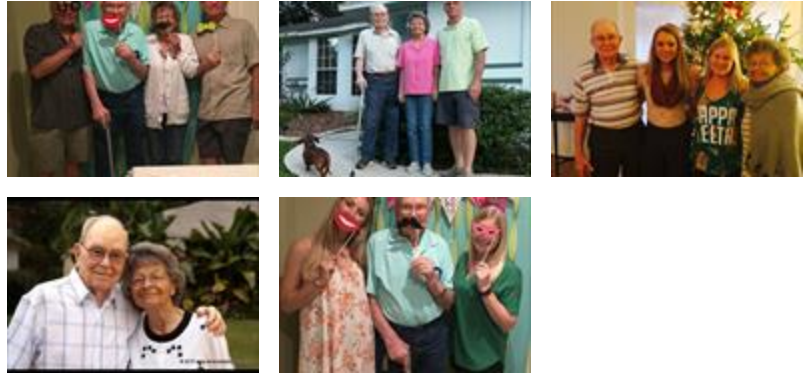
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“ *Every year while driving to Hollywood to visit my mom and dad I would stop at Aunt Hettie Lou's and Uncle JP's. Uncle JP would take my girls fishing in the little pond beside their house. They would catch a little bream and be so excited. Good times and sweet moments.*

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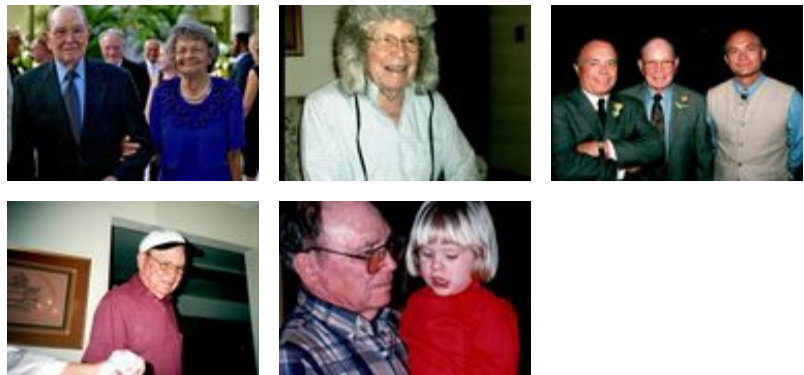
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