



Leonard James Livingston

September 20, 2024

Leonard James Livingston, 91, passed away peacefully on September 20, 2024, and went home to be with his Savior, Jesus Christ. Leonard is survived by his loving wife, Alicia; his son, Lenny (Theresa); his daughter, Natasha (Trey); and his cherished grandchildren, Luke, Kyleigh, and Jaxson.

A proud Floridian, Leonard was born in Reddick, near Ocala, where he and his seven siblings worked on the family farm during the Great Depression. Inspired by the service of his brothers, George and RJ, who both served in World War II, Leonard joined the Army. He served honorably in the Korean War as a Staff Sergeant, assigned to the 5th Regiment Combat Team, Company L. After returning home, Leonard began his career at Lobrano Machinery. His talents quickly caught the attention of Lambert Christian Ringhaver, who recruited Leonard to help build what would become Ring Power Corporation, where he remained a dedicated employee for over 43 years.

Leonard was an avid sportsman and hunter. He frequently traveled to South Africa, where he became close friends with a local guide named Andres. On one visit, Andres invited Leonard for lunch and introduced him to his niece, Alicia. Leonard often recounted that moment to his family: "I walked into the room, and she was the most beautiful woman I had ever seen. It was love at first sight." Leonard and Alicia were married for 46 years, a union his

daughter, Natasha, lovingly described as “a beautiful love story, even though the hard times. It ended beautifully.”

Leonard was deeply devoted to his faith. His family describes him as firm, yet kind, loyal and trustworthy. He found great joy in discussing the Bible with loved ones, often with hymns playing softly in the background. His prayers were heartfelt, and he shared his love for the Lord with all those around him.

A graveside service will be held on Friday, May 2nd, 2025, at 1:30pm, at Sarasota National Cemetery, 9810 State Road 72 (Clark Road), Sarasota, FL 34238.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Disabled American Veterans, 7177 Bee Ridge Road, Sarasota, FL 34241 or Tidewell Hospice, 5955 Rand Blvd, Sarasota, FL 34238.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

MAY 2. 1:30 PM (ET)

Sarasota National Cemetery
9810 State Rd 72
Sarasota, FL 34241
(941) 922-7200