



William "Bill" Hightower III

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William Newell "Bill" Hightower, III, 77, of Tallahassee, passed away May 15, 2025. He is survived by his wife, Anne F. Hightower.

Bill was born in Shreveport, LA and moved to Tallahassee from Marianna in 1960. He graduated from Leon High School in 1965 and Florida State University, College of Business in 1970. He was a man of Faith and Integrity who loved his family and friends and never met a stranger. He enjoyed the simple things in life - reading, camellia gardening, bird watching, hunting, fishing, competitive shooting, and spending time with loved ones. He was a member of Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Tallahassee and a life member of the FSU Alumni Association.

Other survivors include his beloved son John Hightower (wife Sandi) of Tallahassee, grandsons Zack (wife Virginia), Quinn and Luke Ward, all of Tallahassee, sister Martha Hightower Clements of Tallahassee, brother Edwin L. Hightower (wife Debbie) of Tallahassee, sister Lou Hightower (husband Bob Dick) of Atlanta, GA, brother-in-law Jim Foster of Tallahassee, cherished cousins, and his beloved pets, Cooper and Oliver.

Bill was preceded in death by his parents William Newell Hightower, Jr. and Mary M. Hightower.

A memorial mass will be held at 10:30 AM on Monday, June 2nd at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, 4665 Thomasville Rd., Tallahassee, FL 32309. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Good Shepherd Catholic Church (address above), The American Camellia Society, 100 Masee Lane Road, Fort Valley, GA 31030, FSU University Foundation, 325 West College Ave., Tallahassee, FL 32301 or Ducks Unlimited, One Waterfowl Way, Memphis, TN 38120-2351.

Our thanks to Bill's caring doctors and nursing staff at the M.T. Mustian Center.



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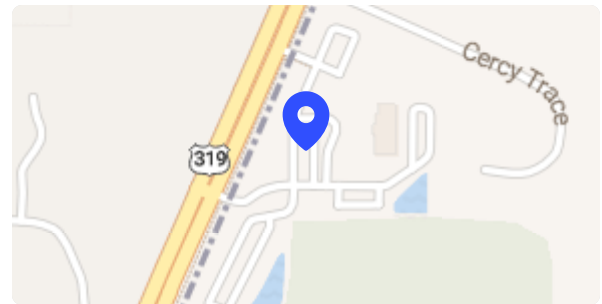
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Funeral Mass

 **Monday**, June 2, 2025

 10:30 AM ET

 **Good Shepherd Catholic Church**
4665 Thomasville Rd., Tallahassee FL 32309





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LE

Linda Enfinger posted:

Bill was our next door neighbor many years ago on Melanie Drive. He was a good neighbor and friend. He was called into urgent baby sitting service with our toddler, Patrick until the grandmothers could get here from Marianna the night our daughter, Tracie was born. When she was little she would ride his Dobermans, Fred and Willie like they were ponies. Unfortunately as is often the case we lost touch after he and Ann and John moved, except for a chance meeting at a restaurant or doctor's office. We remember him with great affection. Linda and Wilson Enfinger

June 3 at 5:08 PM

FS

Fr. John O'sullivan posted:

Sincere condolences to all the Family. Sorry that I was not available to participate in the Funeral Mass on Monday. I did however celebrate Mass on the day for Bill & all the Family. May He Rest In Peace. Fr. John O 'Sullivan.

June 3 at 12:49 PM

TD

Tommy Duncan posted:

I have many fond memories of Bill. Together we had many interesting hobbies. He was like a Big Brother and or a Second Father to my son. My prayers and Condolences go out for Anne and all of the Hightower Family. He will be greatly missed.

May 30 at 6:50 AM

GT

Gail A Thornton lit a candle in honor of William "Bill".

It has been many years since I have seen Bill but I worked for him and his father for many years at Big 10 Tires. I have great memories of those years. My thoughts and prayers go out to Anne and his son John, and all of the family.



May 26 at 3:35 PM

JF

Jim Foster posted:

From the time I met Bill I've known him as a good man and a great husband to my sister and father to my nephew. We all miss him.

May 25 at 2:16 PM



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CM

Claire McWilliams lit a candle in honor of William "Bill".

My heart goes out to all of his family and friends. I will always remember Bill as a fun guy to be around and having the best mustache ever! Love to all, cousin Claire

May 24 at 1:02 PM



DL

David Lortscher posted:

Going to miss you buddy. I always enjoyed our chats.

May 23 at 8:57 AM



Anonymous sent a sympathy card to the Hightower family.

May 23 at 8:53 AM



RL

Ronald J. Lutz posted:

I (probably didn't know Bill as long as a lot of people but I considered him a great friend and mentor. My condolences to his family and close friends. Rest In Peace Bill, you're in a good place now.

May 23 at 8:30 AM

DY

Danny & Yvonne Lee posted:

Bill was a great man, he always had a smile on his face. He was a hard working man, great husband and father. Bill was a good friend to us and our family. He will surely be missed. Our deepest sympathies go out to Anne and family. Danny and Yvonne Lee

May 23 at 8:19 AM



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Bill Hamm sent a virtual gift in honor of William "Bill".

Bill was a close and great friend, I sure miss him. My sympathy goes out to his family and friends. Bill Hamm

May 23 at 7:08 AM



Dave Lang May 28 at 1:49 PM

Bill was a first-class man, always a smile on his face. That smile is in Heaven now and we can rest assure he is brightening up everything there.



Kent Knapp May 27 at 2:36 PM

Bill always had a smile and a good word for everyone. He wasn't tall but he cast a long shadow. He will be missed by those that knew him. It was my honor to be able to call him friend. Kent Knapp (Ranger John)



Lee Sundermeier May 23 at 2:17 PM

Bill was always a joy to be around and we shared many thoughts around the shooting sports. He was a dedicated SASS member and loved to dress the part. RIP Bill and we WILL meet up again. Happy Trails. Lee E



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring William "Bill" by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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