

"Well done my good and faithful servant."

Matthew 25:21

A Service of Worship to the glory of God in celebration and memory of



Marcus Alexander Milam III (Mickey)

November 1, 1940 - June 13, 2025

First United Methodist Church of Gainesville, FL June 27, 2025

Dr. Harold Henderson Officiating Pastor

Musicians Maggie Tran, organ Anait Piloyan, piano

Please join with the family and friends after the service for a reception in the Fellowship Hall.

Order of Worship

PRELUDE

GATHERING

THE WORD OF GRACE AND GREETING

HYMN "How Great Thou Art"

(vs 1, 4)

UMH 77

PRAYER

WORDS OF APPRECIATION

Dr Harold Henderson Larry Noegel

Marc Hencinski

SPECIAL MUSIC "The Lord's Prayer"

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Psalm 23 (UMH 137 in unison) Selections from Romans 8 Selections from John 14

WORDS OF COMFORT

THE PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

HYMN "Amazing Grace" UMH 378

(vs 1, 3, 5)

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Memorial gifts may be made to First United Methodist Church of Gainesville, FL Community Hospice Countryside Christian School Marcus Alexander Milam, III, affectionately known as "Mickey", was a devoted family man, a respected funeral director, and proud veteran who went to his heavenly home peacefully and comfortably on Friday, June 13, 2025 at the age of 84. He passed away at home, surrounded by his close family and devoted nursing care team.

Mickey was born in Miami, Florida to Marcus Alexander Milam, Jr. and Ethel Beville Milam on November 1, 1940. The family moved to Gainesville when Mickey was three years old. Mickey enlisted in the United States Army in 1961 and proudly served his country in the 82nd Airborne Division until 1964. He met his future wife, Mary Kathryn Williams, while on leave and they began a long-distance relationship. They married in 1963 and had two daughters, Ashley and Katy.

Mickey had a profound love for the community he served. This passion extended from the families he guided through difficult times to the vibrant life of Gainesville itself. First United Methodist Church was his church home and he was also very involved in civic organizations, including the High Springs and Gainesville Rotary Clubs, the Lions Club, the East Side Garden Club, and the Gainesville Masonic Lodge #41. He and others formed the Sunrise Rotary Club which met weekly at 7:00 a.m. He loved joining friends and family at his favorite local restaurants, notably The Clock and Cedar River, where he regularly met with his "old men group". Mickey was also a founding member of the Independent Funeral Directors of Florida which was formulated in the early 1990's to fight for the consumer against corporate-owned funeral homes.

Of all the titles Mickey held, none was more cherished and honorable than "Dada" to his adored granddaughters. If he wasn't at the funeral home, he was undoubtedly with his "favorite girls", showering them with love and spoiling them completely. His selfless nature, profound love, and deep compassion will continue to shine brightly through his granddaughters, just as the unwavering strength and stubbornness of his beloved wife, Mary Kathryn, also live on within them.

Mickey was preceded in death by his wife of 47 years, Mary Kathryn Milam. He is survived by his two daughters, Ashley Milam (Jae) and Katy Thomas; his two granddaughters Taylor Wells (Brandon) and Lauren Thomas; his great granddaughter, Elzie Wells; his sisters, Beverly Singleton (Earl) and Mary Pat Rogers (Danny); and several nieces, nephews, and other family members.



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