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# Jacksonville Association of Retired Fire Fighters

## NEWSLETTER

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**Quote for Month:** Though We have walked through the Valley of Covid, we have lost some to the deadly virus, many have survived, but for all, the past year has been one of isolation, bewilderment, and perseverance. We bow our heads and “Thank” the mighty one who saw us through the turmoil.

### **LAST ALARM:**

FF Lonnie Turner	7/7/2020
Eng. Paul Dinkins	7/14/2020
Lt. Bill Baer	7/16/2020
Lt. Jack Flood	8/21/2020
Chief Rom Alderman	8/22/2020
FRCC Supv Ed Auld	9/7/2020
Eng. Donnie Dennison	10/7/2020
Capt. Bobby Claxton	10/9/2020
Lt. Fred Lindes	11/22/2020
Bat. Chief J. R. Bunn	12/11/2020
Eng. Danny O'Brien	12/18/2020
Eng. E. T. “Gene” Callahan	12/23/2020
Lt. Sam Ellison	12/23/2020
Lt. J. H. Salter	1/20/2021
Capt. R. E. Smith	2/20/2021
Capt. Art Tyler	3/21/2021
Capt. Fred Johnston	4/2/2021

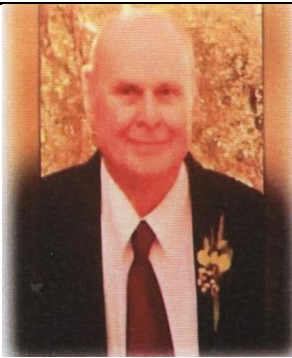
Note: To all the Family, Friends, and Brothers and Sisters of the Jacksonville Retired FF's Association, because of the Pandemic, there were so many limitations forced upon everyone. Many of the above did not have Funeral Services, or had to conduct Private Services. Our thoughts and prayers continued for each and everyone affected by their loss.

Just a few Pics:

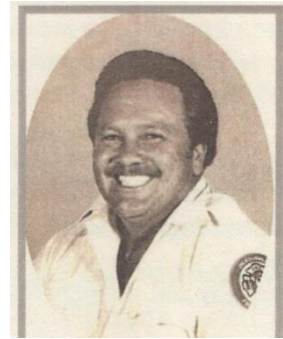
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**Capt. Art Tyler's Son, Pastor Bill Tyler preached his own Fathers' Service at Cedar Bay Baptist Church on March 26, 2021**



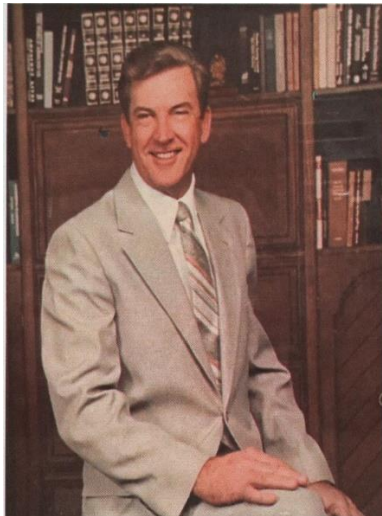
**Capt. Bobby Claxton's Church Service was held October 15, 2020 in Live Oak, Florida.**



**Eng. Donnie Dennison's Memorial Services were at Riverside Memorial Park 10/23/2020. Officiating was JFRD Chaplain Percy Golden.**



**Battalion Chief Rom Alderman 's Service was officiated by Retired Chaplain JFRD Wayne Young.**



**Lt. Jack Flood's Funeral Service was held on 8/26/2020 at Ponte Vedra Valley Cemetery. Officiated by Father Larkin.**



**On the grounds of Stockton Park, exactly one year later, Lt. Joe Smith's Memorial Service was held with JFRD Chaplain Percy Golden officiating. Retired JRFA President John Wood presenting "My Hero" Commemorative Coin to the Widow, Mrs. Andrea Smith.**

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Jacksonville Fire Fighter's Honor Guard with the Presentation of Colors to Widow Andrea Smith and Daughter at Stockton Park on the River in Ortega.

## **Members Report:**



Congratulations to Button Lee by "The Red Knights" President Evans Howard, Secretary Brian Doolittle, and Treasurer Nick Tison at the Pig BBQ Restaurant in Callahan, Florida.

Button had just become a New Members of "The Red Knights" Motorcycle Organization.

**Lt. Tommy Clayton suffered a Heart Attack at his residence in Nassau County. Nassau Fire Rescue transported him to Baptist in the middle of this month. After four stents, he stayed in the hospital about a week with his wife "Vera" close by his side.**

**Incidentally, in the National Fire Fighter Monthly publication there was an article entitled the IAFF 55<sup>th</sup> Convention announcing newest Elected Officials being sworn in. Our very own President of Local 122, Chairman Randall W. Wyse chaired the Election Committee.**

**Date to Remember: Thursday, May 13, 2021 – Monthly JRFA Member Breakfast to be held at the usual location, Piccadilly Cafeteria at University & Beach Blvd at 8:00 am. Hope to see each and everyone.**

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