Henry B. Johnson

Henry B. Johnson, 70, of Palatka, went to be with the Lord on Saturday, Dec. 12, 2009, at the Putnam Community Medical Center in Palatka following an extended illness.

Born in Grandin, Mr. Johnson has been a lifelong resident of Putnam County. He was a 1957 graduate of the Palatka Senior High School. In 1995 he retired from the Georgia-Pacific Corp. in Palatka after 38 years of service. He started at the mill as a Towmotor operator and was promoted to supervisor of tissue and kraft shipping. Later he was promoted to superintendent of tissue shipping. Mr. Johnson was a very active member of the Palatka Moose Lodge 184 for 21 years where he had held many posts including governor and most recently social coordinator. He was a member of the Free and Accepted Masons, Pineland Lodge 86, where he was a Past Master. He enjoyed playing golf and fishing.

He was preceded in death by his mother and stepfather, Margaret and Lonnie Selph; his father, Henry Johnson; four sisters and two brothers.

Mr. Johnson is survived by his companion, Sylvia Plemmons of Palatka; two sons, Richard Johnson of Grand Rapids, Mich., and David Johnson of Gainesville; two daughters and sons-in-law, Donna and Michael Pullium of St. Augustine and Laura and Troy McDaniel of Bostwick; one brother and sister-in-law, Ray and Rosann Selph of Carraway; one sister and brother-in-law, Lonnette and Lynn Watson of Hollister, six grandchildren, Johanna Hunt, Nathan Ryan, Delaney Pullium, Kayla Johnson, Jenna Johnson and Carly Johnson; and two great-grandchildren, Ayla Hunt and Maia Hunt.

Calling hours will be from 6 - 8 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, at the Masters Funeral Home of Palatka. Funeral services will begin at 11 a.m. Friday, Dec. 18, at the funeral home with Pastor Wesley Taylor officiating. The Palatka Moose Lodge 184 will perform funeral rites at the service. Interment will follow in the Mei-Wun Memorial Cemetery in Carraway.

Messages of sympathy may be sent to mastersobit@hotmail.com

Memorial gifts, in Mr. Johnson's memory, may be sent to Masters Funeral Home, P.A., 3015 Crill Ave., Palatka, FL 32177.

Masters Funeral Home of Palatka is in charge of arrangements.