



## Allen J. Forhay

May 21, 1942 - September 22, 2024

Allen J. (Butch) Forhay, 82 of Bonita Springs, FL passed away Sunday, September 22, 2024 at Vitas Hospice. Formerly of Binghamton, NY he had been a resident of Bonita Springs since 1989. Allen was born May 21, 1942 in Johnson City, NY the son of the late Joseph and Angeline (Pochily) Forhay.

Mr. Forhay was a veteran of the United States Navy, proudly serving his country from 1960-1964.

His career as a Journeyman was with the Sheet Metal Union Local 112. Allen was a car enthusiast who enjoyed restoring his 1929 Ford Model A. As a fan of NASCAR, Allen and his family would travel to Daytona every year in July to watch the Pepsi 400 and cheer for his favorite driver, Bill Elliott.

Survivors include his beloved wife of 62 years, Michele Ann (Kotz) Forhay; children, Melannie (David) Archie of Naples, FL, Joseph Forhay of Grant-Valkaria, FL, Danial Forhay of Fort Myers, FL; caregiver and daughter-in-law, Bobbi Jo Forhay of Fort Myers, FL; 7 grandchildren: Colin and Quentin Archie, Corey (Jamie) Forhay, Bethany (Joseph) Provenzano, Emily, Casey and Kylie Forhay and 4 great-grandchildren: Bentley and Abby Jean Forhay, Brooke and Olivia Provenzano. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his grandson, Matthew Forhay.

A memorial service to celebrate his life will be held on Saturday, November 2, 2024 at 11:00 AM at Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, 28300 Tamiami Trail So., Bonita Springs, FL 34134.

He will be laid to rest at Bay Pines National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Allen's name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or to the Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida, 3760 Fowler Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901.

Online condolences may be offered by visiting [www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com](http://www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com). Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home, Family Owned Since 1978.

# Cemetery Details

## Bay Pines National Cemetery

10000 Bay Pines Boulevard  
St. Petersburg, FL 33708

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

NOV 2. 11:00 AM (ET)

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