Willard Collins, age 87, of Citrus Springs, FL passed away August 14, 2023 at Vitas Hospice in Lecanto, FL. Born on January 3, 1936 in Allen City, OH to William Collins and Geneive (Gray) Collins. Willard moved to Citrus County in 2016 from North Carolina. He was a retired Heavy Machine Operator and a member of the Calvary Baptist Church in Dade City, FL.

In addition to his parents, Willard was preceded in death by three children, Peggy Collins, Christine Barnett and Jackie Smack.

Survived by five children, Vickie Venezia and her husband Tony, Sandra Winner and her husband Jesse, Beaty Veley and her husband Rick, Bill Collins and his wife Anna, Cathryn Callahan and her husband James; son in law, Terry Smack; one sister, Linda Trubey and her husband Max; one brother, Carl Collins and his wife Bonnie; eighteen grandchildren; numerous great grandchildren and extended family.

Private cremation will take place under the direction of Brown Funeral Home and Crematory in Lecanto, FL.