

**Erik Wayne Johnson, Sr.** age 51, of Howey-in-the-Hills, FL passed away November 4, 2023 at the Grace Davis Hospice House in Ocala, FL under the loving care of his family and Marion County Hospice. Erik was born in St. Petersburg, FL to Bill and Linda J (Profitt) Johnson. Erik was a life-long resident of Florida and recently moved to Howey-in-the-Hills from Clermont, FL. He was a Chief Engineer for Lincoln Property Management Company at South Park Center in Orlando, FL.



Erik was preceded in death by his father, Billy Johnson.

Survived by his wife, Kelley Marie Johnson; his mother, Linda Johnson; two children, Catelyn Donate and her husband Jody, Erik Wayne Johnson, Jr.; two sisters, Stacey Brack and her husband John-Michael and Michelle Mitchell; one brother, Matthew Johnson and his wife, Sabrina; three grandchildren, twins-Sophia and Isabella Donate and Juliana Donate; three nieces, Kyla Johnson, Hayden Mitchel, Ava Brack; two nephews, Thomas Mitchell, Dominick Brack

Erik (Erik the Great!) loved life! He always had a great sense of humor and loved to make everyone feel special. He always had a smile for everyone and never met a stranger. Erik was a family man. He loved family dinners, playing with the kids and grandkids. Erik loved shopping for knives and firearms and was an excellent marksman. He loved bourbon by the fire pit, smelling the wood burning and watching the satellites pass by in the night sky. He loved studying history. He loved learning and could hold an intelligent conversation on just about anything with anyone.

Erik loved his work and was a perfectionist in all he did. He worked for 16 years at Vulcan Materials as an Industrial Electrician and the last 7 years at Lincoln Properties as Chief Engineer.

Family will be receiving friends on Thursday, November 9th from 4 p.m. until 8 p.m. at the Brown Funeral Home in Lecanto, FL. Funeral services will be held at 12 Noon on Friday at the Now Church in Ocala, FL. Burial will follow at 2:00 p.m. at the Highland Memorial Park in Ocala, FL. Celebration of Life Cookout at 3:00 p.m. at the Donate Barn at 5459 NE Jacksonville Road, Ocala, FL. Friends and family are welcome.

Brown Funeral Home and Crematory, Lecanto, FL in charge of arrangements.