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Former CCSO Sheriff Terry La Casse dies at 69

(Citrus County) The men and women of the Citrus County Sheriff's Office are saddened by the news of the passing of former Sheriff, Terry "Terry" La Casse. La Casse passed away at his home in North Carolina sometime Monday night at the age of 69.

La Casse started his law enforcement career as a police officer with the city of Pompano Beach in 1970. He left there in 1972 to go work for his father's business in Maine. He rejoined the Pompano Beach police department later that same year and stayed with that agency until joining the Citrus County Sheriff's Office in February 1981. At the CCSO, he worked his way up the ranks to Major. La Casse was appointed sheriff for a 3 month period in 1996 to 1997 after then Sheriff Charlie Dean stepped down to become our state representative and then state senator. La Casse served his country as a Sergeant in the United States Air Force from 1966 – 1970.

"Our hearts are with the La Casse family during this difficult time," says Citrus County Sheriff Mike Prendergast. "Sheriff La Casse served our country and the citizens of Citrus County with honor. For that, we will be forever grateful."

Funeral arrangements have not been announced at this time. We will notify everyone as soon as details become available.