

FLORIDA HAZARDOUS WEATHER BY DAY (to 1994)

AUGUST

1-2 1898 - statewide - A hurricane made landfall near West Palm Beach and crossed the peninsula to Tampa Bay. The hurricane moved into the Gulf of Mexico and made a second landfall near Apalachicola.

1 1899 - northwest Florida - A Hurricane hit Franklin County and six died. Seven ships were wrecked in the Gulf of Mexico.

1 1957 - afternoon - Volusia Co., Pierson - Lightning killed one person.

1 1962 - afternoon - Duval Co., Ft. George Island - Lightning killed one person and injured another.

1 1963 - afternoon - Brevard Co., Scottsmoor - Lightning killed a tractor operator in an orange grove. - Duval Co., Jacksonville - Lightning killed a golf course grounds worker mowing the grass.

1 1983 - 1815 - Okaloosa Co., Crestview - Lightning killed a mother and her son who were trying to evacuate their home.

1 1988 - 1415 - Pinellas Co., Dunedin - Lightning killed a 26 year old male when it struck the mast of his sailboat while he and friends were exiting the boat.

1 1990 - 1815 - Palm Beach Co., W. Palm Beach - Lightning killed a mother and daughter, injured another child as they fished at a pond near the airport.

1 1995 - 1500 - Palm Beach County - A 15-year-old male surfer drowned in a rip current associated with tropical storm Erin off a Palm Beach County Beach.

2 1976 - afternoon - Alachua Co. - Lightning killed an eighteen-year old female and injured a man while they were working in a tobacco shed on a farm.

2 1980 - 0715 - Monroe Co., Duck Key - Lightning killed a 72 year old man as he stopped on a bridge to check a crab trap. The lightning struck the victim in the temple, traveled down his left side, and exited through his heel, knocking a two by 3 inch depression in the concrete surface of the bridge.

2 1982 - 1630 - Escambia Co., Pensacola Beach - Lightning killed a 40 year old man while he was standing on a fishing pier.

2 1988 - 1417 - Bay Co., Panama City Beach - Lightning killed an eighteen-year old male on a golf course.

2 1989 - 1815 - Marion Co., Eureka - Lightning killed a woman as she exited her car. A daughter inside was not injured although the lightning punctured the car.

2-3 1898 - A Hurricane hit Apalachicola. 12 died.

2-3 1970 - Florida Panhandle - Hurricane Celia - At least eight persons drowned on Panhandle beaches due to the effects of Hurricane Celia which passed hundreds of miles to the south and made landfall near Corpus Christi, Texas. Rip tides and heavy surf with waves up to 10ft pounded the beaches of Escambia, Okaloosa and Santa Rosa Counties. The Escambia County Sheriff reported 25-30 emergency calls with lifeguards rescuing at least 12 people. Tides ran about 1 foot above normal, but there were no other significant meteorological features.

2-4 1995 - east central Florida and western Panhandle - Hurricane Erin made landfall near Sebastian Inlet in southern Brevard County early on the morning of the 2nd. Brevard County bore the brunt of the storm with wind gusts to 100 mph between Melbourne Beach and Cocoa Beach knocking down trees on houses, cars, and power lines. The winds damaged thousands of roofs and completely destroyed some roofs. As Erin moved through Orlando during the morning wind gusts to 60 mph downed trees on power lines, houses and cars. About one-half million people were without power initially, several thousand were without power for more than five days. Heavy rains of up to 8 inches in three hours on the backside of Erin hit Brevard County again on the afternoon of the 2nd causing widespread flooding of low lying areas. Many houses were flooded west and northwest of Melbourne and many roads were impassable for several days. Erin moved into the Gulf of Mexico on the afternoon of the 2nd as a tropical storm, but regained strength before making a second Florida landfall near Pensacola on the morning of the 4th with winds gusting to 110 mph. Widespread wind damage to houses and business was reported. Large trees crashed into houses, cars, and power lines. Most people in the area were without power for several days. Damage in the Pensacola area was estimated at 300 million dollars. The only deaths directly associated with Erin were at sea. A 234 ft gambling/cruise ship sunk 90 miles off Cape Canaveral around 4AM on the 2nd killing 3. Five people were drown in the Gulf of Mexico.

3 1965 - afternoon - Brevard Co., Kennedy Space Center - Lightning killed a crane operator in the launching area. Six injuries.

3 1986 - 1730 - Indian River Co. - Lightning killed a 33-year old woman seeking shelter underneath a tree.

4 1957 - 1500-1600 - Dade Co., Miami - Wind, Lightning, Hail - Strong, gusty winds caused considerable minor damage in the Miami area; lightning injured 1 person. Strong winds along waterfront damaged many small boats. Some hail reported in area.

4 1971 - 1700 - Lake Co., Eustis - Lightning killed 1 and injured three people while they were working in an orange grove.

4 1988 - 1730 - Hernando Co., Brooksville - Lightning killed a 19 year old male standing under an oak tree near a pond.

5 1967 - night - Jacksonville - Lightning killed a woman while she was taking clothes off a clothesline. The line was secured to a tree struck by lightning.

5 1974 - 1400 - Okaloosa Co., Ft. Walton Beach - Lightning killed a construction worker on an aluminum ladder and injured three nearby workers.

6 1964 - afternoon - Lake Co., Lake Silver - Lightning killed one person.

6 1973 - 1445 - Charlotte Co., Punta Gorda - Lightning killed a 15 year old standing on a golf tee. 1 person was injured while operating a mower in the same area.

6 1982 - 1400 - Monroe Co., Key West - Lightning killed a 17 year old boy and injured his father. They were climbing back into the boat after snorkeling - the lightning struck the water close by.

6 1994 - 1600 - Brevard Co., Satellite Beach - A 37-year-old male dentist was killed and his wife and daughter injured by lightning at the beach.

6 1996 - Escambia Co., Perdido Key - Three people working at a construction site at Perdido Key were struck by lightning. One of the persons died. The three were huddled underneath a makeshift lean-to. One of the men had a rake in his hand when the bolt hit. Lightning either struck their shelter, the deceased, or the rake he was holding.

7 1962 - 1600 - Marion Co., Lake Kerr - Lightning killed a fisherman near the shore of the lake.

7 1992 - 1900 - Dade Co., Miami Beach - Lightning killed a tourist as he walked away from the beach.

7 1996 - 0930 - Broward Co., Ft. Lauderdale Beach - A 16-year-old male drowned in a rip current along an unguarded section of Ft. Lauderdale Beach.

8 1928 - east central Florida - A Hurricane moved in from the Bahamas and made landfall near Stuart. Damage was heaviest from south Brevard to St. Lucie Counties. Houses were unroofed and citrus trees and large Oaks uprooted. Coastal highways were flooded and many bridges were undermined. Two people died.

8 1979 - afternoon - Gilchrist Co., Lightning killed a 37 year-old farmer who was using an electric welder on a haymower.

9 1950 - evening - Citrus Co., Crystal River - Lightning struck a small boat carrying a fishing party of four persons. One man killed, the boat caught fire, but remaining three persons were able to swim to shore.

9 1972 - afternoon - Lake Co., Sorrento - Lightning killed an eighteen year old and injured two others while they worked in a grove.

9 1983 - 1400 - Franklin Co., Offshore - Lightning killed a fisherman in a boat on St. Vincent Sound.

10-11 1901 - south Florida - A hurricane made landfall near Ft. Lauderdale on the 10th and crossed the peninsula, exiting into the Gulf of Mexico near Ft. Myers on the morning of the 11th.

10 1968 - 1500 - Manatee Co., Parrish - Lightning killed a man, a horse, and three dogs. Three other people injured. The man was penning cattle on a ranch.

10 1971 - late afternoon - Polk Co., Lakeland - Lightning killed a seven year old boy crouched under a truck.

10 1987 - 1210 - Lee Co., Fort Myers Beach - Lightning killed two men on the beach. Two women received minor injuries. Heavy rainfall occurred shortly after the lightning.

10 1995 - 1530 - Manatee Co., Myakka City - A 25-year-old male was struck in the neck and killed by lightning while working in a tomato field. Two other male workers were also struck and received minor injuries while trying to flee the tomato field during the thunderstorm.

11 1911 - Panhandle - A weak hurricane made landfall near Pensacola.

11-13 1939 - statewide - A weak hurricane made landfall near Ft. Pierce on the morning of the 11th, crossed into the Gulf of Mexico near Crystal River early on the 12th, regained marginal hurricane strength and made a second landfall near Apalachicola late on the 12th. It weakened to a tropical depression as it moved into Alabama the evening of the 13th.

11 1979 - 1400 - Osceola Co., Lake Kissimmee - Lightning killed a fisherman standing on a sandbar pushing his boat into the lake.

12 1952 - evening - Tampa - Lightning struck near two children playing under a tree. A young girl was killed and her sister injured.

12 1961 - evening - Hillsborough Co., Lutz - Lightning killed one person.

12 1972 - afternoon - Panama City, Allentown - Lightning killed a sixteen year old while standing on a dock.

12 1976 - 1630 - Lake Co.- Lightning killed a farm worker as he was working on machinery near a poultry building.

12 1976 - 1750 - Pinellas Co., Largo - Tornado struck five trailer parks in a few minutes. One hundred trailers were damaged or destroyed. One woman was killed. Five people were injured.

13 1959 - unknown - Escambia Co., Cantonment - Lightning killed one person.

13 1993 - 1930 - Brevard Co., Melbourne - Thunderstorm winds blew an elderly man off a sailboat and he drowned.

13 1995 - 1803 - Highlands Co., Avon Park - A 13-year-old boy was struck by lightning near Lake Lillian. He was hospitalized but died two days later.

14 1974 - 1645 - Lee Co., Lehigh Acres - Lightning killed a person and injured three others as they were leaving a road construction site.

14 1978 - 1340 - Duval Co., Jacksonville - Lightning killed a twelve-year old boy and injured a man while they were installing a fence.

14 1983 - 1443 - Broward Co., Hollywood - Lightning killed a man who was taking shelter under a tree.

15 1927 - 1415 - Franklin Co., Carrabelle - A tornado damaged a church, 15 homes, and 13 businesses.

15 1962 - morning - Orange Co., Orlando - Lightning killed a child standing under a tree.

15 1978 - 1830 - Hillsborough Co., Tampa - Lightning killed a 14-year old boy carrying a portable radio with an extended antenna. Two companions were knocked to the ground.

15 1984 - 1620 - Marion Co., Anthony - Lightning killed a husband and wife in their back yard. No rain was falling at the time and they were not near anything metallic.

15 1990 - 1800 - Martin Co., Indiantown - Lightning killed an elderly man as he was hiking in the woods.

15-16 1994 - Tropical Storm Beryl - formed in the northeast Gulf of Mexico and moved slowly east northeast, crossing the Florida panhandle coastline near Panama City at 2000 on the 15th. Beryl greatly added to the woes of people who were still recovering from Tropical Storm Alberto in July. At landfall the maximum sustained wind was estimated at 58 mph. The maximum reported storm tide of 2.9 feet and the greatest rainfall total of 10.69 inches was observed at Apalachicola, but higher values likely occurred to the east of this location. Beryl weakened to a tropical depression as it moved northeast into extreme southwest Georgia at 0800 on the 16th. There were no deaths and only 1 injury directly attributable to Beryl and damage was estimated at \$5.9 million. Coastal damage included tidal flooding that undermined a few roads and houses and eroded beaches and sea walls. Several moored boats were damaged and three persons on a fishing boat offshore the panhandle had to be rescued. Winds did minor roof damage and downed trees and signs along the coast. Inland, trees were blown down damaging roofs and power was lost to 20,000 customers. The heavy rain caused flooding of low lying areas that lasted more than a week, damaging houses and vehicles. The oyster beds in Apalachicola Bay closed due to contamination.

15 1995 - A Suwannee County man died, an apparent victim of heatstroke. Afternoon temperatures in Lake City reached 103 degrees.

16 1888 - south Florida - A hurricane moved through the Bahamas and struck near Miami. Storm surge 14ft?

16 1964 - afternoon - Charlotte Co., Port Charlotte - Lightning killed a person who was riding a motorcycle.

16 1965 - morning - Pinellas Co., St. Petersburg - Lightning killed a construction worker who was working on a bridge.

16 1972 - daytime - Osceola Co., St. Cloud - Lightning killed a woman while she was walking toward her car.

16 1984 - 1445 - Pinellas Co., St. Petersburg - Lightning killed a man who was spraying a house with insecticide.

16 1994 - 1530-1545 - Okaloosa Co., Destin Beach - A 41-year-old male tourist drowned in a rip current at Miramar Beach near Destin while saving his 13-year-old daughter. The rip current was caused by swells and strong onshore winds in the wake of Tropical Storm Beryl.

16-19 1981 - south and east central Florida - Tropical Storm Dennis - The center of Dennis moved slowly through the Florida Straits on the 16th and onto the lower southwest coast during the morning of the 17th. Dennis then moved northeastward through southern Florida, emerging into the Atlantic between Cape Canaveral and Daytona Beach early on the 18th, taking nearly three days to cross the state. Highest winds occurred mostly in squalls well east of the center. The highest wind gusts reported with Dennis were 55 to 60 MPH along the lower southeast coast on the 17th. Two tornadoes were reported (Plantation Key and Haulover Beach) as Dennis moved through the Keys and Florida Bay, but no injuries or significant damage resulted.

The primary damage in Dennis resulted from widespread flooding in agricultural areas and was most severe in the extreme southern part of Florida Peninsula. Ten to 20 inches of rain fell south and east of Lake Okeechobee, with amounts of five to 10 inches reported along the southeast and east-central coast. West Kendall (Dade Co.) measured 20.37 inches and amounts in the 19 to 20 inch range were common through the Homestead/Florida City area. Besides agricultural damage, flood water came into many homes and businesses in the Homestead/Florida City area, and into most homes in the East Everglades area.

17-18 1881 - south and central Florida - A hurricane moved in from the Gulf of Mexico and made landfall near Naples. It crossed the peninsula and exited into the Atlantic near Vero Beach.

17 - 18 1969 - afternoon-evening - Panhandle - Hurricane Camille devastated coastal Mississippi, but her effect on Florida was relatively minor. No reporting station observed winds of hurricane force. Most property damage was caused by high tides, which ranged from an estimate 6.3 feet above astronomical tide in the Pensacola area to less than 2.5 feet above the astronomical tide east of Apalachicola. Property damages, including beach erosion and crop losses, were estimated near one-half million dollars with the major portion of the damages in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. Crop losses were mostly corn and pecans blown from trees. At least two tornadoes and many funnel clouds and waterspouts were reported in the Pensacola area on the 17th, but they caused no major damage.

17 1972 - 1650 - Pinellas Co., St. Petersburg - Lightning killed a man while he was opening his car door in a parking lot.

17 1974 - 1400 - Hillsborough Co., Tampa - Lightning killed a thirty-two year old woman and injured two children while they were watching an air show.

17 1975 - 1830 - Lee Co., Ft. Myers - Lightning killed an eighteen year old and injured his wife while they were fishing on a pier.

17 1994 - 1626 - Bay Co., Panama City Beach - A 45-year-old male tourist drowned in a rip current at Panama City Beach. The rip current was caused by swells and strong onshore winds in the wake of Tropical Storm Beryl.

17 1996 - 1530 - Collier Co., Naples Park - Two persons were killed and six injured by a single lightning strike while picnicing at Delnor-Wiggins Pass State Recreation Area. The incident occurred at the height of the thundershow when lightning struck a 50-foot high pine tree under which a group of 25 to 30 persons were gathered using a tarpaulin as a roof. Emergency personnel exposed themselves to numerous lightning strikes while rescuing people.

18 1957 - afternoon - Collier Co., Naples - Lightning killed one person.

18 1965 - afternoon - Bay Co., Panama City - Lightning knocked one person from a boat and he drowned, four others in the boat were injured.

19 1951 - afternoon - Hillsborough Co., Dover - Lightning killed a girl in her yard.

19 1964 - afternoon - Seminole Co., Chuluota - Lightning killed a person who was working in an orange grove.

19 1987 - 1300 - Manatee Co., Bradenton - Lightning killed a 32 year old man at a construction site.

20 1954 - 1854 - Pinellas Co., Pass-A-Grille - Waterspout formed about 300 yards offshore in Gulf of Mexico, drifted southward and then eastward onto shore to damage a hotel building.

20 1962 - morning - Orange Co., Orlando - One man was killed when the wind blew him off a flatbed truck. He was holding a 4'X 8' plywood sheet.

20 1967 - 1230 - Calhoun Co., Blountstown - Lightning killed a boy, injured two others, taking refuge under a tree. They had been fishing on the Apalachicola River.

20 1990 - 1700 - Pinellas Co., Oldsmar - Lightning killed a man as he was leaving a fishing pier.

21 1954 - 1330 - Tampa Bay - Wind storm described as "sudden squall" upset more than 50 small boats in Tampa Bay and Manatee River.

21 1963 - afternoon - Pinellas Co., Largo - A tornado damaged seven homes and the roof at Starkey Elementary School. Later in the evening a waterspout moved in from the Gulf at Maderia Beach then crossed Boca Ciega Bay to Pinellas Park where homes were unroofed.

- 21** 1968 - afternoon - Gadsden Co., Watumpka - Lightning killed a man who was watering flowers near a fishing/hunting lodge.
- 21** 1973 - 2230 - Lake Co., Paisley - Lightning killed a 40 year old woman who went outside looking for her dog.
- 21** 1976 - 1630 - Brevard Co., Cocoa Beach - Lightning killed a 56-year-old man and injured three others on the beach. Rain was just beginning and some thunder was heard, but no lightning had been observed.
- 21** 1991 - 1435 - Dade Co., Miami - Lightning killed a football coach and injured two other coaches.
- 22** 1919 - Pasco Co. - A tornado destroyed two homes, a barn, and a warehouse near Erwin.
- 22** 1968 - 1400 - Palm Beach Co., Belle Glade - Lightning killed a twenty-year old man riding a tractor pulling a mower.
- 23-24** 1885 - east coast - A hurricane moved north, just offshore the east coast of Florida, from the Bahamas to Jacksonville. The storm center's closest approach to land was at Cape Canaveral.
- 23** 1957 - evening - Pinellas Co., Pass-a-Grille - Funnel clouds/waterspout reported. High thunderstorm winds in Gulf of Mexico off Clearwater contributed to sinking of shrimp boat, two fishermen missing and presumed dead.
- 23** 1967 - 1330 - Hendry Co., Clewiston - Lightning killed a man driving a tractor in a pasture at Bishop Farms.
- 23** 1988 - 1415 - Highlands Co. Sebring - Lightning killed a 28 year old tree surgeon who was working on a tree.
- 24** 1970 - daytime - St. Johns Co., St. Augustine - Lightning killed a nineteen year old who was swimming in the ocean.
- 24** 1991 - 1700 - Sarasota Co., Siesta Key - Lightning killed two people walking on the beach. Twin sisters were passing a man walking the opposite direction. The lightning struck one of the sisters and the man, killing them, the other sister was slightly injured. Three nearby persons were knocked down.
- 24** 1966 - afternoon - Polk Co., Bartow - Lightning killed one person and injured two.
- 24** 1990 - 1500 - Charlotte Co., Fort Myers - Lightning killed a man and injured another while they were standing near a pickup truck.
- 24** 1992 - 0325 - 0900 - Broward, Collier, Dade, and Monroe Counties - Hurricane Andrew roared ashore in southern Dade County near Homestead and Florida City as the third-most intense landfalling hurricane in U.S. History (2nd in Florida). This Category 4 hurricane caused widespread damage to homes and businesses, with many destroyed in south Dade. Many trees, power lines, light poles, etc.,

were downed in many areas from Broward County on the north to Collier County on the west and to Dade County and the upper Keys on the south. Fifteen people were killed as a direct result of the storm, mostly from flying debris and collapsing roofs, walls, or falling furniture. Twenty-six others were killed indirectly. Some of these deaths occurred while cleaning up storm debris and from auto accidents related to nonfunctional traffic lights and debris across roadways. Property damage was estimated to have exceeded \$25 billion, and crop damage was at least \$1 billion, making Andrew the most costly weather disaster in U.S. History. The natural reef housing coral and other marine life was very badly damaged. Ocean Reef in the extreme upper Keys also suffered heavy damage. About 660,000 people were without power for period of from a few hours to several months.

25 1951 - Tampa - A fisherman was killed by lightning while casting from a 14 ft. boat in Tampa Bay.

25 1974 - 1530 - Marion Co., Ocala - Lightning killed a seventeen year old boy and injured five when it struck the dock they were on.

25 1984 - 1415 - Brevard Co., Cocoa Beach - Lightning killed a girl as she was walking on the beach.

25 1993 - 1105 - Dade Co., Medley - Lightning killed a worker at a landfill site.

25 1994 - 1730 - Martin Co., Hutchinson Island - Three local males were caught in a rip current behind the "House of Refuge". One male drowned and the other two escaped serious injury when strong onshore winds created the rip currents.

26-27 1949 - A Hurricane hit West Palm Beach, Stuart, and Lake Okeechobee - two died.

26 1973 - 1600 - Pinellas Co., Tarpon Springs - Lightning killed a 12-year old girl sitting in a boat. Others in the boat were stunned.

26 1986 - 1800 - Alachua Co., Gainesville - Lightning killed a 44-year old man loading luggage onto an airplane at the airport.

27 1953 - Pinellas Co., Clearwater - Lightning killed one person and injured another. Lightning started a fire at Ft. Myers.

27 1956 - afternoon - Escambia Co. - One person was killed by lightning.

27-28 1964 - Eastern Peninsula of Florida - Hurricane Cleo, a small, but destructive storm, moved northward into Biscayne Bay early on the 27th and continued northward a short distance inland and roughly parallel to the Florida east coast all the way to Jacksonville by midday on the 28th. Strongest winds and greatest damages were in 20 to 35 mile wide coastal strip from Miami to Melbourne. Storm intensity north of Melbourne was such that only minor damages resulted. The storm surge was less than four feet in Miami, five feet above normal in Fort Lauderdale, and five to six feet above normal in Pompano Beach. No serious tidal damage was reported. Principal damages were glass breakage in unprotected store fronts, Miami Beach hotels and motels and other unprotected glass. Many building and contents suffered water damage after the windows gave away. Other major damages were uprooted trees, disrupted communications and power failures in the southern sections, sand blasted buildings and

automobiles, overturned parked aircraft and agricultural losses. Rainfall connected with this storm was light in the state and there were only isolated reports of flooding. Measured storm totals varied from five to 8 inches in the coastal areas of north Dade, Broward and Palm Beach counties to mostly between three and 5 inches in the coastal areas farther north. Three tornadoes were reported, causing minor injuries.

27 1992 - 1145 - Santa Rosa Co., Milton - High winds snapped off the top of a rotted tree and killed a man logging in the Blackwater River Forest.

27 1994 - 1600 - Duval Co., Jacksonville Beach - A 29-year-old male Georgia tourist drowned in a rip current while swimming at Jacksonville Beach. A male companion was hospitalized after nearly drowning in the same rip current.

28 1954 - afternoon/evening - Jefferson, Columbia, Alachua, Orange Counties - Thunderstorm winds and hail struck Alachua and Orange Counties. A tornado touched down briefly in Orlando and ripped up three large oaks. Trees, wire lines, and TV antennas were downed in many areas. Considerable wind damage to roofs and several automobiles were hit by falling trees. A child was killed by lightning at Lake City. Several others were injured.

28 1965 - afternoon - Escambia Co., Barrimaca Park - Lightning killed a boy and injured three, while camping under a tree.

28 1983 - 2200 - Lake Co., Umatilla - Thunderstorm winds caused a large pine tree to crash into the roof of a home, killing one youngster asleep in the bedroom.

28 1986 - 1015 - Palm Beach Co. - Lightning killed a 26 year old man who was standing under a tree.

28 1991 - 1709 - Bay Co., Panama City - Lightning struck two boats with people having a family reunion. They were trying to make it back before a thunderstorm. A brother and sister were killed and eight other people suffered injuries.

29 1880 - A hurricane hit East Central Florida - Cocoa Beach was the area most effected with severe damage also at Palm Beach and Lake Okeechobee.

29 1968 - 1015 - 1020 - Okaloosa Co., Eglin AFB - Lightning killed 2 Army Rangers and injured seven. Two weak tornadoes spawned by a tropical disturbance struck Volusia County in the morning, no injuries.

29 1983 - 1830 - Santa Rosa Co., Milton - Lightning killed a man working under a tractor.

30-31 1950 - Panhandle/Northwest Florida - Hurricane Baker made landfall at Santa Rosa Island between Mobile and Pensacola with winds of 100 mph the night of the 30th. At Pensacola lowest sea-level pressure was 29.27 inches at 2200 on the 30th and maximum wind speed was 42 mph from the southeast. 30th 1950 - 1700 - Franklin Co., Apalachicola - A waterspout/tornado spawned by Hurricane Baker came ashore and unroofed a home and store. Twenty-three homes were damaged. One other tornado reported in Jackson County.

30 1975 - evening - Lake Co., Paisley - Lightning killed a New Smyrna Beach woman at a campsite.

30 1980 - afternoon - Dade Co. Miami Park - Lightning killed a 15 year old boy in the park. It was reported that the youth's shirt and pants were partially burned off by the lightning that struck him in the hip.

30-9/1 1985 - Statewide - Hurricane Elena - was named on August 28 while moving northwest over central Cuba. She stalled off the north-central Florida Gulf Coast for 24 hours before strengthening and moving northwest toward landfall in Mississippi. Highest winds were in the western panhandle, with 80 knots reported at Pensacola. A tree blown down onto a car killed a 37 year old man at Daytona Beach. The man's neck was broken by the tree. Storm surge of 10 ft was reported at Apalachicola. Rainfall ranged from 2 inches at Key West to 11 inches at Apalachicola. Elena spawned five tornadoes in Pasco, Marion, Lake (2) and Glades Counties on the 31st. The strongest tornado struck Leesburg (Lake Co.) in the morning destroying 70 trailers and damaged 52. No serious injuries.

30 1992 - 1350 - Dade Co., Homestead - Lightning killed a man who was unloading relief supplies for Hurricane Andrew.

31 1955 - evening - Polk, Co., Lakeland - Lightning killed one person and caused minor property damage.

31 1969 - 1900 - Dade City - Lightning killed two fishermen who were seeking shelter under a tree.