



Darrell Ray (Mac) McElroy

March 1, 1923 - April 3, 2010

Darrell Ray (Mac) McElroy, age 87, died at home on April 3rd after a long battle with heart disease. Mac was born in Hot Springs, Arkansas, on March 1, 1923, and lived all of his early life in and around Hot Springs. He was an early volunteer for the Navy when our ships were bombed in Pearl Harbor by the Japanese, throwing the United States into a long, bloody war, and spent 4 years in the service – retiring in March, 1946. After returning from the Navy, Mac settled in Fort Smith, Arkansas, where he joined his older brother Alfred in business. The McElroy boys eventually moved to Chattanooga, Tennessee, where they were engaged in the coal mining business. In 1958 Mac and his family migrated to Atlanta and he worked in the automotive industry, retiring from General Motors. Survivors include his wife of 59 years, Leona, son Scott of Atlanta, daughter Rocki Lynn Lai, son-in-law Ravi Lai, granddaughters Sydney and Chloe Lai of Danville, California, and daughter Jeanne Sweetman of Denver, Colorado. Mr. McElroy is being cremated. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to The American Heart Association, P.O. Box 840692, Dallas, Texas 75231, or americanheart.org. The McElroy family will be receiving friends on Thursday, April 8th, from 4:00-7:00 PM at Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory, 12050 Crabapple Road, Roswell.

Cemetery Details

Sikorski Funeral Home

3630 West George Street
Chicago, IL

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 8. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors and Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Tribute Wall



“ *Darrell Ray (Mac) McElroy*

October 08, 2022 at 11:37 AM



“ *MR. McElroy always my friend who never got old. His entire family which I have loved for 40 years.*

*Always,
Steve##imported-begin##Steve Jordan##imported-end##*

April 12, 2010 at 09:04 AM



“ *Leona ~*

I sure was sorry to hear about Mr. McElroy. Losing your life's partner has to be difficult, and Kaye and I will remember you in our prayers.

Herman##imported-begin##Herman Barasa##imported-end##

April 08, 2010 at 08:04 PM



“ *Leona, I was saddened to hear of Buddy's passing. I know he will be greatly missed. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.*

Love, Gloria##imported-begin##Gloria Strickland##imported-end##

April 08, 2010 at 12:51 PM



“ Gramps,
I miss you already so much. Although you are not here with us right now, I know that you are watching out for us up above. Every memory I have of you is a great one. Whether we were cruising the Greek Isles, Dining in Venice Italy, at the beach in Hilton Head or just sitting in "grandpas chair" in your family room - you always had something funny to say and put a smile on my face. I will never forget the happiness you brought into everyone's lives. I love you so much Gramps and will think of you every day. Love Syd##imported-begin##*Sydney Lai*##imported-end##

April 07, 2010 at 12:29 PM



“ Aunt Leona, I'm so sorry for your loss. I'm thinking of you and your family.##imported-begin##Robin Riley-Pilote##imported-end##

April 07, 2010 at 09:56 AM



“ I am so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Jim Matlock##imported-end##

April 06, 2010 at 08:25 PM



“ Dear Gramps,
Even though you may not be here physically, your amazing spirit lives on forever. Not a day will go by that I will not fondly reflect on the many ways you touched my life. Your humor was contagious; your smile bright enough to illuminate even the darkest of rooms. You were a friend to all and made a lasting impression on every individual who had the pleasure of meeting you. I will miss hearing you answer my phone calls with a loving, "Well hey, Sugar", as well as teaching you the basics of how to operate your cell phone. You exceeded your role as s husband, father, and grandfather. No matter where you are in this world, you will always be my best friend. I love you, Grampy.

Xoxo,
Chloe##imported-begin##Chloe Lai##imported-end##

April 06, 2010 at 08:07 PM



“ Thinking of you with love, understanding and sympathy. And good memories. Betty##imported-begin##Betty Ann Riley##imported-end##

April 06, 2010 at 06:39 PM



“ Someone you cannot forget gene##imported-begin##Claire & Gene Perlin##imported-end##

April 06, 2010 at 05:34 PM



“ I'm so sorry that I'll miss Mac's service, he always threatened to revoke my passport! He was a wonderful person and fantastic neighbor. I'll miss seeing his car driving through the neighborhood and who will guide the landscape workers? Thanks, Mac, for all you did for our neighborhood! We'll miss you!
Love, Rosemary##imported-begin##Rosemary Fox##imported-end##

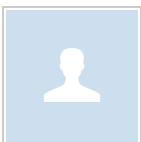
April 06, 2010 at 12:58 PM



“ Leona
Some people come into our lives and quickly go. Some stay for a while and leave footprints in our heart and we are never the same. Buddy has left an indelible footprint in my heart and I shall never forget him. It is said, that "death leaves a heartache no one can heal, but love leaves a memory no one can steal". Buddy's love for us all will always endure. We love you Buddy.

Ravi and the girls##imported-begin##Ravi Lai##imported-end##

April 06, 2010 at 12:25 PM



“ Leona,

I was very saddened to learn of Buddy's passing. I know it's been years since we've seen each other, but did want you to know that you are always in my thoughts and now in my prayers.

Lynn##imported-begin##Lynn Allmond##imported-end##

April 06, 2010 at 09:30 AM