

# Obituaries

## Milford Dillashaw Jr.

WALTERBORO - Milford Dillashaw Jr., 96, of Walterboro died Monday, Jan. 10, 2022, at Veterans Victory House in Walterboro. Milford was born in McCormick to the late Milford Dillashaw Sr. and Corrie Murphy. He served in the army in World War II, after which he worked as a plumber. Survivors include his brother Jack Dillashaw of North Charleston.

A private burial was held at McCormick City Cemetery. Strom Funeral Home was in charge of services.

## Susan Pendleton Everett

McCORMICK - Susan Pendleton Everett, 93, lovingly called "Gutmama" by her grandchildren, died suddenly Jan. 9, 2022. She was born July 11, 1928 and was adopted into the loving family of William Frederick Pendleton and Clyde Thomas Pendleton of Valdosta, Ga.



Susan graduated from Valdosta High School and attended Bessie Tift College for one year. She worked as a telephone operator in Columbus, Ga. until she met her husband, Robert W. Everett, who was stationed at Moody Air Force Base in Valdosta. Within a week of their first date, he asked her to marry him, and she laughed. They were married in July of 1952 and had 62 years together as husband and wife. Together they had two children: Suzanne and David.

Susan was a faithful servant to all. She lit up a room just by being in it and made sure everyone around her had what they needed. She was the better half to Bob as they served 25 years in the Air Force and Army being stationed throughout the southeastern United States as well as in Taiwan, France and Korea. During their time in Korea, they became supported of the ministry Youth with A Mission and continued that relationship to this day. Susan loved to sing and shared her talents as a member of community and church choirs. After moving to McCormick in 1993, they became active members of their community and the First Baptist church. Susan moved to Albany in 2017 after the death of her husband. Living in Century Pines, she became the unofficial Activities director and "Bingo Queen."

In addition to her parents, Susan was preceded in death by her husband, Robert W. Everett (Bob); a son, David Wayne Everett; her brothers, Francis Pendleton and Fred Pendleton; and her sisters, Mary Catherine Coffey and Mary Gaines.

Susan is survived by her daughter, Suzanne Unger and Gary Unger, her son-in-law of Leesburg, Ga.; her grandchildren, Andy Unger of Senoia, Ga., and Sara Unger of Valdosta, Ga.; her sister, Jean Wilson of Hahira, Ga.; her brother-in-law, Paul Everett, and his wife, Pat, of Charlotte, N.C.; and brother-in-law Gene Everett of Crawfordsville, Ind.

A service of celebration for Susan was held Wednesday, Jan. 19, 2022 at 11 a.m., with the Rev. Gary DeBerry and the Rev. Anna Miller officiating. Interment was held at Andersonville National Cemetery in Andersonville, Ga. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Youth with a Mission, PO Box 1025, Grayson, GA 30017. You may share your own special thoughts and memories with the family by visiting Kimbrell-Stern's website at [www.kimbrellstern.com](http://www.kimbrellstern.com).

Kimbrell-Stern Funeral Directors was in charge of services.

## Catherine Campbell Holloway

LAURENS - Catherine Campbell Holloway, 97, resident of NHC Laurens, widow of George Holloway Sr., passed away Thursday, Jan. 13, 2022. Born June 10, 1924 in Laurens, she was the daughter of the late Sam Campbell and Rosa Waldrop Campbell.

She was educated in the Laurens County public schools. Catherine was an avid walker and gardener and enjoyed arts and crafts and her family. She was a member of Good Hope Baptist Church in Waterloo. She was predeceased by her six sisters and four brothers.

Surviving are two sons, George Holloway Jr. (Coletta) of Waterloo and Dr. R.C. Holloway of McCormick; a niece/daughter, Nancy Cunningham of Greenwood; four grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and a host of friends to forever treasure her memory.

Public viewing was held from 1-6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 18, at Percival-Tompkins Funeral Home. Funeral services were held at noon Wednesday, Jan. 19 at Percival-Tompkins Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Guy Sullivan and Dr. R.C. Holloway officiating. Burial followed in the Good Hope Baptist Church Cemetery in Waterloo. The family is at the home of her son, Dr. R.C. Holloway, 250 Serpentine Drive, Plum Branch, SC. Visitation for immediate family only.

Percival-Tompkins Funeral Home was in charge of services.

## Imogene Price Lindley

McCORMICK - Imogene Price Lindley, 86, widow of Claude Workman Lindley, died on Jan. 10, 2022. She was born on May 9, 1936 to Lois Price Mann and John Pressley Price.

Mrs. Lindley was a member of First Baptist Church in McCormick. A resident of Long's Residential Care for many years, she had many wonderful caregivers. She was predeceased by her parents and a sister and brother-in-law, Patricia Price McClinton and Bill McClinton.

She is survived by one daughter, Pamela Lindley Hudson (James B.) of McCormick; two grandsons, James Claude Hudson and Robert Jason Hudson, both of McCormick; two great-granddaughters, Ella Clair and Audrey Lily Hudson of Lincolnton, Ga.; and many caring nieces and nephews.

There was no visitation due to recent rising COVID numbers. A private funeral service was officiated by Pastor John Alexander of First Bethany Baptist Church in McCormick at the McCormick City Cemetery at 3 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14. Memorials may be made to First Bethany Baptist Church, 853 Hwy 378 East, McCormick, SC 29835.

Edgefield Mercantile Funeral Home is in charge of services.



## James Alexander "Trigger" Martin

McCORMICK - James Alexander "Trigger" Martin, 51, died at Self Regional Medical Center in Greenwood on Jan. 7, 2022. He was born in Lincolnton, Ga., on Oct. 17, 1970 to the late Clyde and Hazel Briggs Martin.



He attended Holy Springs Baptist Church in McCormick and was a 1989 graduate of the McCormick High School. He was the original number 21 on the football team, where he did his best work on the football field. He was employed as a heavy equipment operator with Satterfield Construction Company for the last 23 years. James was preceded in death by his beloved parents, Clyde and Hazel Martin; two brothers, Terry Martin and Jimmy Martin; and three sisters, Glenda (Glen) Searles, Dollie Bernice Anderson and Hazel F. Green. While we mourn his passing, we can rejoice in the knowledge that he is reunited with those he missed dearly.

James leave to cherish his loving memories his wife, Connie Martin of the home; two sons, Jermetris Martin of the home and Javoras Martin of Charlotte, N.C.; three daughters, Shardell Martin of Troy, Ja'Mesia Martin of McCormick and Kelly Martin of the home; three grandchildren, A'laina Brooks, Taeron Martin, and Ja'Quan Martin, all of Troy; one godson, Kingston Blair of Plum Branch; two sisters, Linda F. Wardlaw and Teresa (David) Young, both of McCormick; one brother, Arentha (Christen) Martin of McCormick; a niece raised in the home, Tange L. Martin of Greenwood; three aunts, Blance Williams of N.Y., Thempla J. Collar of Augusta, Ga., and the Rev. Sceleato Rice of Md.; his mother-in-law, Patricia Kelly of McCormick; and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends who all loved him dearly.

Service was held on Friday, Jan. 14, 2022 in the Andrew Wardlaw Funeral Home Chapel.

Andrew Wardlaw Funeral Home of McCormick was in charge of services.

## Note of Thanks

The Wardlaw family wishes to express our appreciation for your prayers and acts of kindness after the passing of our loved one, Mr. Andrew Wardlaw Sr. We would like to extend a special thank you to the Andrew Wardlaw Funeral Home Staff, Mrs. Georgette Wiggleton and Mr. Wallace Martin. May God bless each of you.

-The Wardlaw Family

## D. Michael McClain

McCORMICK - D. Michael McClain, 82, a longtime resident of Savannah Lakes Village, passed away on Jan. 12, in Atlanta, Ga. He was born Febr. 8, 1939, in Alva, Okla., as the oldest son of Harold and Ruby (McHenry) McClain.

As a young man, Mike left Alva to seek his fortune in Albuquerque, N.M., where he met the love of his life, Frances (Acri) McClain. They were married in Albuquerque on Dec. 31, 1962.

A few years later, Mike started his retail career with the Army Air Force Exchange Service. He and Fran soon left New Mexico to spend almost a decade traveling and living around the world. They went first to the mountains of Asmara, Eritrea in East Africa, where Mike enjoyed playing golf on a course where the hazards included wandering gazelles and the occasional baboon. Then was Vicenza, Italy, where he loved to put his negotiating skills to work at the neighborhood wine store. (Many years later, when Mike and Fran returned to Vicenza on vacation, they stopped in to visit the same Italian wine merchant, who picked up the bargaining where they'd left off decades before.) Next was Munich, Germany, where the family enjoyed exploring the forests, castles and quaint villages of Bavaria. Finally, they returned to Dallas, Texas, where they lived for many years.

Mike retired at the age of 53 and spent several years after that volunteering in Dallas as the guardian ad litem for indigent children in broken families and answering the telephone on an all-night suicide hotline before Fran finally joined him in retirement. Mike and Fran retired to Savannah Lakes Village in 2003.

Mike was a high school basketball star for the Alva Goldbugs and an enthusiastic athlete his whole life. He loved tennis, golf and pickleball and was still playing and organizing tennis for others in the Village in the last weeks of his life. He loved playing cards, both poker in his youth and as a bridge fanatic in retirement. He was also an online astrologer and numerologist for more than 25 years, the creator of [www.astrology-numerology.com](http://www.astrology-numerology.com), which introduced thousands of people around the world to these "occult arts."

Mike and Fran celebrated their 59<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with family and grandchildren on Dec. 31, 2021. He leaves behind his wife, Frances; his sons, Scott (Christen) and David (Dawn); and five grandchildren: Ellen, Mark, Lisa, Zan and Camden Wells.

## William Claude (Billy) McKinney

McCORMICK - William Claude (Billy) McKinney, 68, beloved husband, father and Poppa, entered into rest on Tuesday, Jan. 11, 2022 at the Medical University of South Carolina after an extended illness. Just like he dealt with all experiences in life, Billy managed his illness with courage and grace. He was born in McCormick on June 5, 1953, and was a lifelong resident of the county.



He was an avid outdoorsman and loved nature. In his spare time, he enjoyed golfing, fishing, listening to the golden oldies and cheering for the Clemson Tigers. He was a member of Plum Branch Baptist Church, served as Chairman of the Board of Long Cane Academy for many years and was a member of the SC Forestry Commission. Billy was the co-owner of McKinney Timber Company, where he worked for 30 years. He retired from the timber industry in 2019. Billy never met a stranger and loved nothing more than telling stories and jokes. He loved to laugh. His pride and joy were his children and especially his grandchildren, whom he loved with all of his heart. His constant companion and much-loved dog, Rocky, was always by his side. He was predeceased by his parents, James Robert and Katherine White McKinney; brother, Robert Franklin McKinney; and grandparents, William M. and Lillie Mae McKinney and Claude and Pearl White.

Billy is survived by his wife, Susan Bussey McKinney of the home; daughter, Ashley McKinney (David) Harper of McCormick; son, Jason William (Kelsey) McKinney of Orlando, Fla.; four grandchildren, Noah David, Reese Alexander, Addison Elizabeth Harper and Everett William McKinney; sister, Florence (Bud) McKinney Cronin of Columbia; nieces, Lisa McKinney Crawford of Greenwood and Regan Cronin Muckenfuss of Columbia; nephews, Ryan Cronin of Columbia and Mark McKinney of Greer.

The family would like to express heartfelt gratitude to the nurses and doctors at MUSC for their kindness and extraordinary care.

A graveside service was held Saturday, Jan. 15 at 11 a.m. at the Plum Branch Cemetery, Plum Branch, where the Rev. Dough Kauffmann officiated. The family received friends after the service. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Humane Society of McCormick County, PO Box 900, McCormick, SC 29835.

The family is at the residence, 2665 Upper Mill Road, Plum Branch. You may sign the family's online guestbook at [www.reesfuneralhome.net](http://www.reesfuneralhome.net).

Rees Funeral Home, 195 North Peachtree Street, Lincolnton, Ga. was in charge of services.

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