



William N. McSween

November 11, 1934 - October 6, 2015

William N. McSween, Newport Tax Accountant, died on October 5, 2015, at his office from natural causes. He was born November 11, 1934, in Newport, Tennessee at the home of his parents, J. Carty McSween, a Newport Attorney, and Elizabeth Montgomery McSween, long time teacher at Newport Grammar School.

He attended Newport Grammar School and graduated Valedictorian of the class of 1952 from Cocke County High School. He attended the University of Virginia in Charlottesville and the University Of Tennessee College Of Law. Following his service with the United States Army, stationed at Fort Richardson, Alaska, he returned to Newport and worked as a paralegal in the office of his brother, James C. McSween, Jr., until he established his own tax preparation practice which he followed till his death.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Newport and was a member and officer of the Newport Theatre Guild and actively followed and attended concerts and stage productions in the area whenever possible. He participated as a member of the Knoxville Choral Society and Walters State Community Chorus, as well as in the choir at his church.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his sister, Elizabeth (Betty) McSween Welch, and his sister-in-law, Jean Alexander McSween.

He is survived by his brother, James C. McSween, Jr., and wife, Geraldine W. McSween of Newport and his twin brother, David L., McSween and wife, Mary Homer Fowler McSween. Of Lakeland, FL and Sevierville, TN. He is also

survived by his nephews, Jimmy McSween of Etowah, Steve McSween of Knoxville, and Philip McSween of Nashville, and his nieces Elizabeth Fowler McSween Harrison of Englewood, FL, E. Wynn Welch Grande of Portsmouth, NH, Catherine "Kate" Welch of Minneapolis, MN, Anne Stuart Welce of Chicago, IL, and Margaret Merritt Welch of Burlington, VT, and a host of great-nephews and great-nieces.

He will be especially missed by his great-nephew, J. Carty McSween, IV, Newport Attorney, and his traveling companions, Joan Steele Lambert, Ann Davis, and Jerry Maloy, with whom he enjoyed good music and good theatre. A memorial service will be held at First United Methodist Church on Monday, October 12, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. with the Rev. Dr. James L. Bennington officiating. Visitation will precede the service from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Interment will be private. Manes Funeral Home is making arrangements. Contributions to the Newport Theatre Guild or the Knoxville Choral Society or the Music Fund of the First United Methodist Church would be appreciated by William.

Family and Friends may sign the guest register online at www.manesfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *William N. McSween*

November 17, 2022 at 06:00 PM



“ *Bill was a treasure. I sang with him at Walters State Chorus and he always had a great attitude and was very engaging to me and everyone he came in contact with. I will miss his enduring spirit. God bless.*

Mark Joyce - April 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are sorry for the loss of William. He was a sweet man. He always had a smile and seemed happy. In sympathy , John, Vida, Luke and Meredith*

John, Vida, Luke and Meredith - October 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *So sorry to hear the passing of a great man and friend. I have many memories from the NTG and Wilson Sav Mor. Deepest sympathies*

Dawn Lee - October 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ *Our deepest sympathy goes out to the family. We are saddened about the death of Mr. McSween. Prayers and support continues daily. We are all out of town and could not attend the services.*

Connie Ball and Family C.J. Ball and family - October 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Good bye to a boyhood friend - - RIP

Jim Robinson - October 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JV

“ William N. McSween

John Vick - October 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ Sorry for your loss. Thinking of you.

Clinton and Irene Shelton - October 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Sorry for your loss.

Ben & Jill Butler - October 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Sorry for your loss. Liz & Tara McNabb

Liz mcnabb - October 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

wiley & betty morgan - October 11, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SW

“ Thank you for your constant encouragement, support, and friendship. Our community has suffered a great loss. God's choir has gained a new member!

Stephanie Williams - October 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ *William N. McSween*

Gary McSween - October 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BJ

“ *Our sincerest and deepest sympathy.*

Bettye & Carl Jay Carver, Jr - October 10, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PL

“ *Sorry for your loss.*

Peggy W. Lane - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ *William N. McSween*

Tommye Dene Jones - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ *My condolences to the family.*

Daisy Sue Jarnigan Tipton - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ *I always enjoyed talking with William when seeing him. I saw him several times at the HART theatre in Waynesville and a few times at concerts of the Asheville Choral Society. I will miss him. The family is in my thoughts and prayers.*

Judy Shults - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RR

“ Jim and family ,remembering you during this time of sorrow and asking God to surround you with his love and comfort. I last saw William at moms funeral and remember a nice conversation with him.

Ronald Robeson - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NM

“ So sorry about the loss of William (Po), He was a very nice person and will be greatly missed. Our heartfelt sympathy to his family and friends. May the special things about him live on in your heart forever.

Nancy Montgomery Westerfield, in spirit, Ann Montg - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ With our sympathy and prayers!

Rob and Lisa Myers - October 09, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ WE ARE SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT WILLIAM. WILSON'S SAV MOR STAFF

LISA GILES - October 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ At a time when words are hard to find...just want you to know you're in our thoughts & Prayers. Blessed be God...the God of all comfort. II Cor 1:3 With Deepest Sympathy, Jabo, Tammy & Montana Francis

Tammy Francis - October 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ *Sorry to hear of your loss. Your in our thoughts and prayers*

Phyllis Combs - October 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ *My mother(Jane McSween Cain) thought well of Bill & his brother James. It is a sad time for our family. Bill will be missed.*

Ronald Murdock Cain - October 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *We are so sorry for the loss of your brother, William. He was a kind man and will be sorely missed. Our prayers are with you during this time of grief.*

Terry & Kay Dover - October 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *Our sympathies.*

Ray and Janie Suttles - October 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ *Fond memories of "PO" during my years with NTG!! A wonderful vocal talent, engaging conversationalist and gentleman. Sincere sympathies for the entire McSween family..*

Abby Balch - October 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ *William N. McSween*

Mary Alice Rhodes Gorman - October 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BL

“ *May your hope be a source of comfort for all of the family*

Ben and Frankie Lilly - October 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LL

“ *Sorry for your loss!!*

Lynn and Becky Lane - October 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BD

“ *Oh how we'll all miss Po!!! Being with him in church for years.....listening to him in the choir, and with the Knoxville Choral Society, and with the Encore choir!! But most of all, a dear fellow thespian in many NTG productions, and attending other thea*

Bud & Linda Dawson - October 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ *Dave, Homer and family, I am so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers to all of you.....Linda Seeley*

Linda Seeley - October 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TD

“ *William was my "Papa" in both productions of The Tall Woman. He was such a kind man and I am saddened to learn of his passing. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers.*

Tiffany Dover - October 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ *William N. McSween*

Jay & Mary Ann Chrisman - October 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FE

“ We never had a better friend than William. We loved him and will miss him forever. He and I shared a birthday and I always said I was his twin but a little younger! He and his family are the best. Our hearts are hurting tonight.

Fletcher and Penny Ervin - October 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ We are so sorry to hear about Bill's passing. May he rest in peace.

Bill Hicks & Diana Steinfeld Hicks - October 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ William N. McSween

Hal&Sylvia Brown - October 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DR

“ William N. McSween

Dale and Nancy Raines - October 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ William N. McSween

delmar williamson - October 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM