



## Mr. Robert H. McCain

February 13, 1943 - March 26, 2019

Mr. Robert H. McCain, age 76 of Winder, Georgia passed away March 26, 2019. Robert was born February 13, 1943 in Barrow County to the late Hubert and Myrtle Finch McCain and had lived here all of his life. He served as an athlete, coach and administrator as evidenced by his induction into The Winder-Barrow Hall of Fame. Robert was an avid golfer and fulfilled his bucket list by playing at Augusta National Golf Course. He loved his Family and enjoyed spending time with them, especially the Grandchildren. Robert was a longtime educator and a retiree of Akins Ford, where he served as The Community Relations Director. He was a member of The Winder First United Methodist Church.

Surviving are Wife, Elaine Mobley McCain, Children, Todd and Patty Jo McCain, all of Winder, Lisa and Jason Hester of Monroe, Grandchildren, Jake Hester, Peyton Hester, Emily Hester, Ryan McCain and Rachel McCain, Sister, Sarah Lomax of Winder.

The Family will receive friends Thursday, March 28, 2019 from 6:00 P. M. until 9:00 P. M. at Carter Funeral Home. A Funeral Service will be held Friday, March 29, 2019 at 2:00 P. M. from the Winder First United Methodist Church with Rev. Calvin Haney officiating. Interment will be in The New Pentecost United Methodist Church Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Winder First United Methodist Church, 280 North Broad Street, Winder, Georgia 30680.

# Events

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**MAR** **Visitation** 06:00PM - 09:00PM

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Carter Funeral Home

265 Highway 211 NW PO Box 934, Winder, GA, US, 30680

**MAR** **Funeral Service** 02:00PM

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Winder First United Methodist Church

280 North Broad Street, Winder, GA, US, 30680

**MAR** **Interment**

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New Pentecost United Methodist Church Cemetery

385 Pleasant Hill Church Road, WINDER, GA, US

# Comments

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“ I didn't know him personally but he sounded like a wonderful man. My sincere condolences to the family and close friends. I hope the scripture at John 11:11, where the Bible likens death to a peaceful sleep, can provide some peace at this time.

**hb** - April 05 at 11:04 AM

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“ Elaine and family,  
Just learned of Robert's passing. Deeply sorry for your loss. In time, the good memories, laughs, and fun times will be foremost in your thoughts.  
Shirlee

**Shirlee (Grizzle) Kinsey-Evans** - April 02 at 10:56 AM

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“ Dear Elaine and family,  
My deepest sympathies to you all. Robert was a high school classmate and always a prince of a man even as a teen.  
May God bless and comfort you all in your loss.  
Will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.  
Janis (White) McMillan

**Janis** - March 29 at 02:13 PM

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“ Mr. McCain was the principal when I was in high school. I remember him as being very kind and friendly to his students!!! I saw him at a Homecoming parade about 3 or 4 years ago. As always he was friendly and approachable when I spoke to him. He and my Dad, Ben Patrick, occasionally played golf together. I am so sorry for your loss. He was a great and noble man!

**Gaye Patrick Farmer** - March 28 at 11:53 PM

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“ Coach McCain was principal of Winder-Barrow High during the years I was there. I remember his calm demeanor and his kindness. It was cool to know that he was a golf buddy of my Dad's. I used to follow my father around for a day of golf when it was known as Jug Tavern Golf Course and come to know Coach McCain much better. Coach McCain was always kind and he always behaved like a gentleman. I met his bride and the love of his life, Elaine, during my high school years. After

meeting her, I knew why Bob McCain loved her and I knew that in having her by his side through the years, he was a blessed man.

I remember his actions and words during my youngest sister's graduation service. He commented about the affection, admiration, and love that he had for this remarkable group. He indicated with candor that he was impressed with this group above any before. He was right! They were and are an impressive and TALENTED group. After the Valedictorian of this class, an AMAZING, ACCOMPLISHED, and TALENTED young woman, had completed her highly emotional and poignant valedictory address, the audience took a collective DEEP breath and wiped away years. Coach McCain then took the podium. He too was emotional and reacted as would a proud father. He, not only spoke to the impact and value of her heart-felt and true words, his pauses and moments of silence punctuated the moment and its impact on all who had just experienced this BEST GRADUATION SPEECH EVER! Initially, he could hardly speak. Still, he found the perfect words, tone and emotion as he commented on what he had just heard. Even as he moved on with the graduation service, Coach McCain broke from his thoughts and words several times to look back at this young woman to wipe a tear and shake his head to convey his sense of awe and offer his affirmation. His actions said,, "I know I'm talking here and I know that no one can even hear what I'm saying because we are all STIILL REELING from what you have just shared with us.

I AM SO VERY PROUD OF YOU!" Our community needed to hear and understand her message. She deserved this moment and she had worked very hard to earn it. Coach McCain, lovingly and artfully maximized her well-deserved glorious moment. He was proud that she demonstrated the courage and strength to have her say. Multiple times he broke from the program to turn back back to her to just conbey, WOW! . As this continued, the crowds tears turned to celebratory laughter and eventually to a roaring second applause. She stood to receive the approval and to hug the principal she adored. Coach McCain's actions and words spoke to the joy and pride he had for all of his students. This was a beautiful moment to witness and I was blessed to experience it.

My prayers are with you, the McCain family, as you celebrate and remember a life well-lived. May God bless each of you.

Most sincerely,

Scott Patrick

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Scott Patrick - March 28 at 09:40 PM



“ Elaine, I am so sorry for your sad loss. My thoughts are with you and your family. -  
Sandy Larsen Bruce.

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Sandra Bruce - March 28 at 08:37 PM



“ Elaine,  
I am so sorry! Sending all of you love and payers. I do have lots of memories of Robert-all go back to those football games and basketball and baseball games and fun we had at WBHS.I always followed your FB page so saw him there but in my mind -he is as I knew him back then and I cherish so many memories of you and him. I remember when you started dating him and especially when Todd was born. I hope I will see you one day and give you the hug I want to give you now.  
Love,  
Nancy Osborn Smith

**Nancy Osborn-Smith** - March 28 at 08:26 PM

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“ Sorry for your loss. Cynthia Hardigree Gregory

**Cynthia Hardigree Gregory** - March 28 at 01:02 PM

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“ Summer's Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert H. McCain.



March 28 at 09:35 AM

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“ Coach McCain was a special influence to me and many young people of Winder. Thanks Coach for being there for us! Craig and Tandy Green

**craig Green** - March 28 at 09:12 AM

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“ My principal thanks for all you gave and your family's sacrifices through the years. Prayers for all.

**Vicki Knight-Mathis** - March 27 at 11:55 PM

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“ I remember when Robert got on the bus for his first day of school at Cooks consolidated school.dnt remember the year or why I remember but I do.watched him play basketball at W.B.he had a nice jump shot.became a great coach and a much loved principle .he will be missed..so sorry Elaine.

**jimmy Fox** - March 27 at 09:51 PM

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“ Dear Elaine, I'm so saddened to hear about Robert as this reminded me of the unexpected home going of my brother, Coulter. Both were beloved, honorable men, called home too soon from our vantage point. Elaine, I recall when you were newlyweds and living in Mrs. Harris's downstairs apartment next door. Being in middle school then, I thought it was so cool to have our basketball Coach & Mrs. McCain as my next door neighbors! In retrospect, it's been Winder's blessing to have been able to call Robert McCain as one of it's best neighbors in town, a wonderful man who contributed so generously to his community. He will be greatly missed. Praying for you all - Lisa Maginnis Hulseley

**Lisa Hulseley** - March 27 at 09:44 PM

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“ John and I were so very sorry to hear about Robert. Please know that all of you will be in our thoughts and prayers. My mother really thought the world of him. God bless all of you with peace and comfort.

John and SuSan Yearwood

**SuSan Yearwood** - March 27 at 06:03 PM

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“ Elaine, I am so sorry for your loss. Robert was truly admired and loved by so many as evidenced by this Tribute Wall. You both will always be the two friends I left in Winder in 1962. May God embrace you in His wings and give you peace and comfort. You are in my prayers. With love, Nyoka McMahan Anderson

**Nyoka Anderson** - March 27 at 05:59 PM

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“ Elaine, my heart breaks for you and your family . May God give you strength as you seek comfort and peace. Tom was reminiscing this afternoon about their younger years. We send our  
Tom and Dianne Fleeman

**dianne fleeman** - March 27 at 05:31 PM

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“ I always felt a little uncomfortable calling him "Robert". He was "Coach", a term I use out of respect for who he was. As my first Basketball coach (I was NOT a basketball player!), he encouraged and helped me. As my high school football coach, he pushed me to be the best I could be. As my position coach for defense, he taught me how to read offensive sets, and then allowed me to call defensive plays. As track coach, he pushed me to limits beyond what I thought I could achieve. And as golf coach, I got to be around him even more. He made me feel good about myself as a high school athlete and as a person. And he paid me a backhanded compliment that my dad cherished when he said, "He has to blow the dust off those dollar bills in his pocket before he spends 'em." Later in life he was more of a peer, however in my heart, he was always that term of respect - Coach McCain. It's been my honor and privilege to have learned from him.

Tommy Jennings

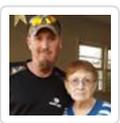
**Tommy Jennings** - March 27 at 05:08 PM



“ Other than perhaps a pastor no one in ordinary life has more influence on more people than a beloved teacher or coach. Coach McCain was one of the best. His impact on the young people of Winder and barrel county we live for generations to come. Reyno Petree

**Reyno B. Petree** - March 27 at 05:31 PM

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“ Elaine and children. I am so sorry to hear of Robert's passing. Robert was such a good man and was so special to the city of Winder with all his work. Y'all are in our prayers and thoughts!

Joan Manders Ellington

Lee Ellington

Donald Mauldin

**Joan Ellington** - March 27 at 04:37 PM

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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Mr. Robert H. McCain.



March 27 at 04:26 PM

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“ Phil and Carolyn Potter purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Mr. Robert H. McCain.



**Phil and Carolyn Potter** - March 27 at 04:24 PM

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“ I deepest prayers and sympathy go out to the family of Robert McCain.

With admiration and love,  
Lottie Aziamadi and Social Circle City Schools

**Lottie** - March 27 at 04:16 PM

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“ Always remember how pleasant a man Robert was to work with at Akins..No better man exist..RIP Robert GOD BLESS THIS FAMILY.



**Linda Hardy** - March 27 at 04:02 PM

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“ What a great man and a great family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time and we love you all.

Christy and Bobby Collins

**Christy Collins** - March 27 at 03:58 PM