



Johnny Silas McConnaughay

January 26, 1932 - April 10, 2018

Johnny Silas McConnaughay, 86, of Searcy passed peacefully at his home surrounded by his loved ones on April 10, 2018. He was born on January 26, 1932 to the late E.B. and Clara Mae McConnaughay in Oakland Park, Florida.

Johnny was the love of Bettie's life for the past 60 years. He was a loving father, who taught by example to his biological children and 49 foster children. He touched many lives through his Christian construction work with the Mobile Missionary Assistance Program.

He was an accomplished pilot since 1954, of which he had multi-instrument and commercial ratings. His love of flying lead him to crop dusting the family farm, which lead to a full time Ag Operation. Even after he retired from farming, he continued to grow a large garden sharing the produce with family and neighbors. Another of his favorite past times was being a ham radio operator (K5SCE).

Johnny was a member of Park Avenue Baptist Church in Searcy. He was an Army veteran and served in the Korean Conflict.

He is survived by his loving wife Bettie Hall McConnaughay; sons, Kenneth (Susan) McConnaughay of Searcy and Douglas McConnaughay of Searcy; daughters, Catherine (Ricky) Churchwell of Griffithville and Terri (James) Coats of Harrison; sister, Wanda Watson of Mountain View; 12 grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren and a host of family and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Anna Margaret McNew and

one infant brother.

Visitation will be at 10:00am with a Memorial service following at 11:00am on Saturday, April 14 at Park Avenue Baptist Church of Searcy.

In lieu of flowers the family ask that a donation be made to The Searcy Children's Home, PO Box 1141, Searcy, AR 72145 or any deserving child.

Arrangements by Powell Funeral Home of Searcy.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 14. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Park Avenue Baptist Church
211 East Park Avenue
Searcy, AR 72143

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall

HS

“ *Huie And Sharon Spence lit a candle in memory of Johnny Silas McConnaughay*



Huie and Sharon Spence - April 15, 2018 at 04:46 PM

JH

“ *McConnaughay Family; My thoughts and prayers are with you; Johnny Hodges and the Buck Jones Family of Bald Knob.*

Johnny Hodges - April 13, 2018 at 12:57 PM

GJ

“ *Gary And Marvell Jackson lit a candle in memory of Johnny Silas McConnaughay*



Gary and Marvell Jackson - April 13, 2018 at 09:11 AM

KD

“ *Terri and family - Prayers to your family as you go through this time. I know you will have many good times and memories to share for a lifetime.*

Kelly Davis - April 13, 2018 at 07:55 AM

DG

“ *Donny & Debbie Gatewood lit a candle in memory of Johnny Silas McConnaughay*



Donny & Debbie Gatewood - April 13, 2018 at 12:05 AM

JE

“ *Joyce Edwards lit a candle in memory of Johnny Silas McConnaughay*



joyce edwards - April 12, 2018 at 06:10 PM

JE

Ms.Bettie & family I am so sorry for your loss. May God continue to comfort and strengthen you and your family

joyce edwards - April 12, 2018 at 06:21 PM

GH

Betty, praying for your comfort as I know the Lord is with you through this sorrowful time.

Glenn Hawley - April 13, 2018 at 05:24 PM

HE

“ *My deepest sympathy to all of you*

Herbie - April 12, 2018 at 11:14 AM

TW

“ Doug so sorry for your loss. May God comfort you and your family in the coming days ahead.

Teresa (minyard) White - April 12, 2018 at 09:50 AM

Alyzah
Nagar

“ Doug and family, my deepest sympathies. May your heart, mind and spirit be filled with peace and comfort.

Alyzah Nagar

(Doug, it is the lady you hugged at the health food store a few years back. Thinking of you.)

Alyzah Nagar - April 12, 2018 at 09:09 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Johnny Silas McConnaughay.



April 12, 2018 at 08:06 AM

RH

“ Robbie And Andrea Hill sent a virtual gift in memory of Johnny Silas McConnaughay



Robbie and Andrea Hill - April 11, 2018 at 10:58 PM

DH

“ I would like to express heartfelt condolences to the family and extended family of Mr. Johnny McConnaughay, and his loving wife, Betty. I was privileged to be the Pastor of First Baptist Church in Griffithville, Arkansas for over five years back in the mid 60's. Johnny and Betty and his family were very faithful and loyal members of the church. Johnny and Betty never sought recognition for the many things they did in behalf of the church. They were very involved in community affairs. Johnny and Betty befriended my wife and me in so many ways while we were serving the church. Johnny loved the Lord, his family and the church. I feel a sincere indebtedness to the McConnaughay family for having had a major part in making the trip to the Holy Land in 1975 a ever memorable experience for my wife and me. Johnny will be missed greatly by his family and friends. But, Johnny is living to a greater extent now what he believed to be the Word of God and the promise eternal life when this earthly life is finished.

Delton D. Hughes - April 11, 2018 at 09:33 PM