



Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill

October 16, 1933 - November 6, 2022

Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill, Sr., peacefully transitioned to his heavenly home on Sunday, November 6th at Southeastern Hospice house in Lumberton North Carolina on November 6, 2022.

He was born on October 16, 1933 in Fayetteville, NC to Alexander and Aliene Smith McNeill who preceded him in death. Ruffin resided in Lumberton, NC with his wife, Bonnie Thompson McNeill, before her death.

Ruffin was a graduate of E.E. Smith High School and Johnson C. Smith University. He was a well-known and respected teacher in Proctorville and Lumberton.

Ruffin became a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, through the Rho Chapter in 1951 at Johnson C. Smith University, and later became a charter member of Beta Nu Graduate Chapter in the Robeson County area. Ruffin served his fraternity for 70 years.

Ruffin was funeralized on November 12, 2022 at Bethany Presbyterian Church in Lumberton where he served as an elder and trustee.

He leaves to cherish his memories two sons, Ruffin H. McNeill Jr. (Elene), and Reginald McNeill (Deborah), Sr.; one sister, Claraliene Gordon of Fayetteville, four grandchildren, Renata Banes (Chris), Olivia, McKinley and Reginald., Jr.; one great-granddaughter, Isabella; as well as a host of other relatives, fraternity brothers and friends.

Cemetery Details

Bethany Presbyterian Church Cemetery

700 E. Elizabethtown Rd
Lumberton, NC 28358

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Bethany Presbyterian Church
700 E. Elizabethtown Rd
Lumberton, NC 28358

Homegoing Celebration

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Tribute Wall

MH

“ *MARVIN L HARGROVE lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill*



MARVIN L HARGROVE - December 02, 2022 at 12:21 AM

ER

“ *Eric Raye lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill*



Eric Raye - November 30, 2022 at 08:25 PM

SW

“ *Sylvia Smith Williams lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill*



Sylvia Smith Williams - November 16, 2022 at 12:41 AM

SW

“ *I express my most sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill. May God give you comfort and peace to help ease the pain of your loss.*
Sincerely,

Sheriff Burnis Wilkins - November 15, 2022 at 02:25 PM

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“ *The Center of Racial Justice (UMass) purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill.*



The Center of Racial Justice (UMass) - November 14, 2022 at 11:11 PM



“ *Ronald Bracey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill*



Ronald Bracey - November 13, 2022 at 12:24 PM

GK

“ *The world has loss a very special person. My sincere condolences. He will always be remembered with the greatest affection and respect. Grace Kinsey*

Grace Kinsey - November 12, 2022 at 08:47 AM

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“ *BIVOUAC LODGE # 503 purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill.*



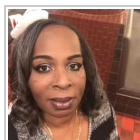
BIVOUAC LODGE # 503 - November 11, 2022 at 03:47 PM

TH

“ I met Mr. Ruffin McNeill as the father of my college roommates' Dad (Reggie) and became friends with Ruffin, Jr. I remember him as a soft spoken character. He and his wife (Mrs. Bonnie McNeill treated me like one of the boys. I looked forward to the BBQ ribs and Pop always had a taste of OIL for the boys. I am certain that you was loved and will be missed greatly. My friend and fraternal brother, I now that you fought the good fight and I that you will forever rest in peace. Tony Hester



Tony Hester - November 11, 2022 at 08:16 AM



“ Joyce Washington lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill



Joyce Washington - November 10, 2022 at 08:25 PM

KA

“ RIP Mr Mac



Kenneth W Addison - November 10, 2022 at 03:47 PM

CP

“ Praying for the McNeill family; we love you and will continue to keep you lifted.

Celeste Gore Purcell - November 10, 2022 at 03:13 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill.*



November 10, 2022 at 02:34 PM



“ *Billie Marie Mitchell Matthews purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill.*



Billie Marie Mitchell Matthews - November 10, 2022 at 12:23 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill.*



November 10, 2022 at 12:08 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill.*



November 10, 2022 at 08:09 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill.*



November 10, 2022 at 08:05 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill.*



November 09, 2022 at 09:02 PM



“ *Ronald Bracey lit a candle in memory of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill*



Ronald Bracey - November 09, 2022 at 06:12 PM



“ *I was privileged to know the McNeill family. Mr. Mac & I taught school together on the 2nd floor of the Lumberton Junior High School & I was honored to have Ruffin, Jr. & Reggie in my class. The kids all loved him. Love & prayers to the family. Drina C Hedgpeth*

Drina C Hedgpeth - November 09, 2022 at 11:07 AM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill.*



November 08, 2022 at 09:02 PM



“ *Luisa and Charlie Hughley purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Mr. Ruffin Horne McNeill.*



Luisa and Charlie Hughley - November 08, 2022 at 07:21 PM



“ *Mr. Mac was the best teacher ever!!! He truly cared for his students and it showed by the respect he was given. He will be missed by many. RIP Mr. Mac. Praying for comfort and peace for his family and friends.*

C. Moore

Christy Nichole - November 08, 2022 at 07:56 AM



Mr Ruffin was wonderful man the last time I saw him he called me Irma. He knew I was a Lorick just didn't know which one. He will be missed. Rest on Mr Mac you are truly loved.

Ella lorick Graves - November 08, 2022 at 09:43 AM



Praying for the entire McNeill family especially his children, sibling and grandchildren. Brandy. & David McNeill & family of Tampa, FL

Brandy McNeill - November 08, 2022 at 05:31 PM

AC

Hugs and prayers during this difficult time. I'll always remember times in Mr. Mac's Physical Science class. A very special man

Ann Hungate Crawford - November 09, 2022 at 07:43 PM

RS

My Name is Rev Howard McLean Sr and I live in Ft Worth Texas I grew up in Fayetteville NC and I have such fond Memories of Mr.McNeil.. I was so Sorry to hear of his passing. We were High School Classmates .. I am sending my thoughts and Prayers to the Family..May God give You strength to get through this difficult time..

Rev Howard McLean Sr - November 10, 2022 at 03:25 PM

TB

Deepest Condolences, from the Bailey Family

Terron Bailey - November 13, 2022 at 02:06 PM