



"D.D." McGee

November 2, 1930 - January 19, 2020

Delbert David "D.D" McGee, Sr., longtime resident of Forney, passed away on Sunday, Jan. 19, 2020. D.D. was born November 2, 1930 in Dongola, Illinois to Arthur and Grace (Bourland) McGee, both of whom preceded him in death.

D.D. graduated with his bachelor's degree from Southern Illinois University after which he enlisted in the US Air Force. While in the Air Force, he became a flight instructor during the Korean Conflict. While stationed in Waco, he met Betty Jo (Betz) Beazley and on April 20, 1956, they married. After his honorable discharge having worked his way to attain the rank of Second Lieutenant, D.D. went to work for IBM in computer sales where his honest and forthright personality enabled him to be very successful with both colleagues and customers. D.D. loved spending time on his ranch with his horses and cattle where he also raised Tennessee Walking Horses. He was a member of Saddlebags and Bums Trail Riding Club and was also a member of the American Simmental Association and American Brahman Breeders Association. D.D. had a love for his adopted hometown of Forney and he served in many civic organizations including being a charter member of the Forney Lions Club since its creation. He was also very instrumental in both the annual Forney Homecoming Parade and the North Texas Antique Tractor and Engine Club. In all these involvements though, D.D. never lost his love or aptitude for flying and he continued to be a pilot long after his service in the USAF and was even involved in teaching others to fly and earn their pilots license as well. A giving man who lived every day to the fullest making sure that family and friends knew how much he loved them by giving the "Best Hugs" to all he knew! He will always be remembered as a devoted husband, dedicated father, cherished grandfather, great grandfather, brother and friend and his legacy of unconditional love will be carried on into future generations.

D.D. is survived by his beloved wife of over 63 years, "Betz" McGee of Forney; sons: Delbert David McGee, Jr. and wife, Pam, of Garland, Daniel Douglas McGee and wife, Annie, of Coco Beach, FL, and Donald Dale McGee and wife, Sherri, of Petal, MS, and Dwight Dean McGee of Forney; grandchildren: Dana Dawn Sneed and husband Damen, Leah Danielle Southard and husband, Sam, Darian McGee, Taryn McGee and Ashley Muchenberger; great grandchildren: Megan, Tori, Baylee, Kynsli, Rylee, Brynli, Jaymi and Tony; sister, Mary Imle and Frank as well as other nieces, nephews, extended family,

church family and a host of friends, all near and far.

A gathering of family and friends will be at 6:00pm to 8:00pm on Friday, Jan. 24, 2020 at First Baptist Church in Forney with a private interment being planned. In lieu of flowers the family asks memorials be made to Higher Ground @ First Baptist Church P.O. Box 97 Forney, Texas 75126.

The family would like to extend an invitation to all of Dad's extended family and those who knew him, all of whom shared the their love and friendship with him over the years, to a memorial service and celebration of his life that they will plan and share details of at a later date "after Mother recuperates and can celebrate with us".

Previous Events

Gathering of Family and Friends

JAN **24**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Forney
1003 College St.
Forney, TX 75126

Tribute Wall



“ “D.D.” McGee

October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *Del was a wily veteran when I joined IBM fresh out of college. He had an infectious personality and lit up a room. As a rookie salesman with a new territory in downtown Dallas, I labored over my map of the streets and the buildings I thought were assigned to me. Seeing that I was a bit confused, Del offered this advice. "If you walk past a building and you have to look up, it's not yours, just keep walking."*

We had a good laugh over that and I learned a good life lesson. You have to pay your dues and earn your way to the best accounts (and plush office towers).

Del brightened our world. He will be missed. God bless you my friend.

Pat Johnston

Patrick Johnston - January 27, 2020 at 11:29 PM



“ *Dean,
Received this sad news from Peggie Howell; you and your mom are in our thoughts and prayers.*

Aunt Liz

Cliff & Liz Jones - January 26, 2020 at 01:45 PM



“ *My heart aches for you as I know how much 'Del' was loved, admired, and appreciated in his living! We are saddened by this accident that took his life. Praying for his Family, Friends, & Communities he was so much a part of in his work and community life. May You all receive and abundance of Love, grace, and mercy, as you are supporting Betz while she is in the hospital and the Family gathers today in her absence today. And, I am praying for her healing, recovery, and complete restoration! We are so grateful she and Don are mending! Just know God's love is being poured into your Family & all those who know you to uplift and soothe your heartbreak and sorrow! God's love covers a multitude of issues and God is our Hope and Help in times like these! God Bless you today as you gather together to honor this Family!* 🙏❤️🙏💕💕💕💕💕💕💕💕🙏🙏🙏

Doris Ricks-Lankford - January 24, 2020 at 09:37 AM

CW

“ My wife and I , Keith & Cindy Woodruff, we’re saddened to hear of the passing of one of the most friendly and out going members of First Baptist Church Forney where Mr. D D was loved by MANY ! After reading his obituary we learned so many things about him that were very impressive that he might not talk about because he was the kind of gentleman that made you feel like that you were the most important in the conversation! He was a very special man that will be missed dearly by so very many of us ! When we think of you Mr. D D we will smile just like you did all the time ! Rest In Peace sir 🙏

Cindy & Keith Woodruff - January 23, 2020 at 08:08 PM



“ 69 files added to the album Life Tributes



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - January 23, 2020 at 03:53 PM

DR

Beautiful pictures of All if you! God Bless you! 🙏❤️🙏

Doris Ricks-Lankford - January 24, 2020 at 09:39 AM

KC

Wonderful family.....Beautiful memories....Thinking of you all...❤️

Kim Conlon - January 25, 2020 at 11:33 AM

Amy Louthan Cockburn

“ Amy Louthan Cockburn lit a candle in memory of "D.D." McGee



Amy Louthan Cockburn - January 23, 2020 at 11:57 AM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of "D.D." McGee.*



January 23, 2020 at 11:33 AM

MM

“ *Dd was a good man I only new him through lions he taught me alot and was my mentor and made me be the best lion I could be he always told me I was doing to much I would tell him I was trying to catch up with him he will be missed. I pray for his family who he loved so much.*

Mark madrid - January 23, 2020 at 10:39 AM

DG

“ *Donna Grice lit a candle in memory of "D.D." McGee*



Donna Grice - January 23, 2020 at 09:32 AM

CS

“ *Charlsie Shipley lit a candle in memory of "D.D." McGee*



charlsie shipley - January 23, 2020 at 07:52 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of "D.D." McGee.*



January 23, 2020 at 12:24 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of "D.D." McGee.*



January 22, 2020 at 11:07 PM



“ *Stefanie Doyle lit a candle in memory of "D.D." McGee*



Stefanie Doyle - January 22, 2020 at 09:29 PM

MR

One of the best. RIP DD

Michael & Sally Richmond - January 22, 2020 at 09:57 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of "D.D." McGee.*



January 22, 2020 at 06:32 PM



“ *Seeing this made me sad... D.D. , his wife and a few other couples would come into Lowe's Forney everyday to walk our racetrack... He gave the best Hugs.... He will be missed!!! My thoughts and prayers to D.D. and his family and many friends!!*

Kellie Perry - January 22, 2020 at 11:57 AM