



Mr. Roy Dewey McAlister

April 9, 1939 - August 31, 2016

Roy Dewey McAlister, age 77, passed away on Wednesday, August 31, 2016, at Mission Hospital. A native of Anderson, S. C. , he was the son of the late Roy Dewey McAlister and Mary Junkins McAlister. He was the youngest of 10 children.

Roy graduated from the University of South Carolina and attended Southeastern Baptist Seminary. After many years in banking he retired as branch manager of Nations Bank. A devoted Christian and a 50-year member of First Baptist Church of Asheville, he loved his family. He enjoyed being outdoors and was an avid runner.

Roy is survived by his wife of 50 years, Annette Bishop McAlister; son, John McAlister (Sabrina); daughter, Beth Sorrell (Ralph); two sisters, Arial Lee Smith of Piedmont, S. C., Dorcas Allen of Clayton, Missouri; one brother, Charles McAlister of Leesville, S. C.; two grandchildren, Robby and Tessa McAlister; and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 7, 2016, at 11:00 am at First Baptist Church of Asheville with Rev. Buddy Corbin officiating. Interment will follow at Lewis Memorial Park Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Morris Funeral Home, 304 Merrimon Ave., on Tuesday, Sept. 6, 2016.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Salvation Army, PO Box 2956, Asheville, NC, 28802-2956 or to the First Baptist Church of Asheville, 5 Oak St., Asheville, NC 28801.

Cemetery Details

Lewis Memorial Park

415 Beaverdam Road
Asheville, NC 28804

Previous Events

Family will Receive Friends

SEP 6. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Morris Funeral & Cremation Care
304 Merrimon Ave.
Asheville, NC 28801
(828) 252-1821
info@morrisfamilycare.com
<http://www.morrisfamilycare.com>

Funeral Service

SEP 7. 11:00 AM (ET)

First Baptist Church of Asheville
5 Oak Street
Asheville, NC 28801

Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Roy Dewey McAlister*

October 07, 2023 at 11:15 AM



“ *It was my pleasure to have known Roy for many years. My prayers and sympathy are extended to his family during their time of sorrow.*

Neil Thagard
Neil K's Hairstyling

Neil Thagard - September 06, 2016 at 02:15 PM

PC

“What a wonderful guy was my friend, Roy. We met at seminary and have been friends since. He was one of my "best friends" I remember, while at seminary Roy saw on my room mirror, several pictures of girls. Once when Roy came in, he pointed to Annette's picture and said, "who is that"? I told him it was Annette Bishop, my next door neighbor while I was growing up. I told him she was teaching in Charleston, SC. Of course he wanted to meet her and soon I hardly ever saw him on weekends.

I remember that I had a reel to reel tape recorder during those years, and sometimes Roy would go into my room when no one was around, turn on the recorder and cut loose on some popular song. He really had a good voice.

He had a super sense of humor and could bring me to laughter at once. I can still hear his infectious laugh.

Annette and Roy would often visit Annette's parent's home for Christmas. That, of course, worked out real well when my wife, Emily, and I visited my mother, who lived next door. We would get with Roy and Annette and have a good get-together.

My buddy, Roy, really had a kind way about him. I can remember him telling me that at the bank, he spent a good deal of his time "helping little ole' ladies balance their check books. I'm sure he made them feel good while doing it.

I have many good memories of Roy, and I look forward to seeing him again when we gather at God's throne. Paul Chiles

Paul Chiles - September 05, 2016 at 07:22 PM

WS

“ Though only meeting Roy 12 years ago when we became neighbors, our friendship and talks are memories I will always treasure. Many would expect our differing religious and political choices might make building a deep authentic relationship difficult but it actually gave us much to talk about. Through our many discussions I developed a deep respect and love for Roy and his great down to earth humility, love and respect for people and life. Though my heart aches and tears beckon for another chance to have one more afternoon chat with Roy on his back deck, I know full well he was at peace with his life and ready for his continuing journey. Bon voyage my good friend and great man! Your kindness and laughter remain forever alive in my heart.

Warren Sander - September 05, 2016 at 11:25 AM

JE

“ Annette and Family,
We were very sad to hear about Roy. Please accept our deepest sympathy and our heartfelt prayers for you and your family. We both remember the times that we shared conversations with you and Roy, and Harold particularly remembers the times he and Roy did the talk, and walk, around the UNC-A track.
Roy will be remembered by his commitment to his faith, his hard work for his family, and the care he gave his health.
May you all feel peace in knowing these things about him today and in the days to come.
Jenny and Harold Sansone Evans



Jenny and Harold Sansone Evans - September 04, 2016 at 06:30 PM

EG

“ *Annette, We did not know Roy very well; however, we do know you. You have always been such a wonderful lady who means so much to the senior dept. Trying to use the best words in this time is always hard- except to say that sometimes knowing your friends know it hurts and we want to give you lots of hugs and support.*
Ed and Brenda Graham

Ed Graham - September 03, 2016 at 02:21 PM

NS

“ *Nancy Shannon lit a candle in memory of Mr. Roy Dewey McAlister*



Nancy Shannon - September 02, 2016 at 07:12 PM

NS

Beth and family, our thoughts are with you. Much love, Nancy and James Shannon

Nancy Shannon - September 02, 2016 at 07:14 PM

LK

Dear Annette, Know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. We are so saddened to hear of Roy's passing. We are holding you close in our hearts. Love, Linda & Ben

Linda J. Killian - September 04, 2016 at 01:42 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mr. Roy Dewey McAlister.*



September 02, 2016 at 08:55 AM



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September 01, 2016 at 04:34 PM