



Timothy McClain

February 24, 2026

Timothy McClain was born in Falcon, MS to the late Columbus McClain and Ada Maude Hemphill McClain. He was the second born and oldest son of 14 siblings. He left Mississippi at an early age and moved to Chicago, IL where he became a fan of the Chicago White Sox baseball team and the Chicago Bears NFL team. He grew up playing baseball and often talked about what a great baseball player he had been.

In 1950 Timothy moved to Chicago, IL, where he enlisted in the US Army. His military career spanned 21 years. He was stationed at many military installations in the U.S., Germany and Korea. His last duty station was Fort Belvoir, VA where he retired in 1974. During his military service, he received the Bronze Star Medal, Army Commendation Metal, Korean Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and Good Conduct Medal.

Timothy was known by family and friends in Mississippi and Chicago as “Buddy man”, but his friends in the military, DC/MD/VA community, and his Ebenezer family knew him as “Mack” or “Trustee Mack.”

After military retirement, Mack continued in the workforce in Washington, DC where he worked an additional 20 years as an Accident Investigator for DC Public Schools Transportation System.

Mack was a resident of Triangle, VA where he was well known and loved in the Community. He was a member of Ebenezer Baptist Church (EBC) as for over 50 years, serving faithfully as a Trustee, Kitchen Ministry Coordinator, overseer of EBC cemetery and EBC historical site. He enjoyed Sunday worship, outreach projects and fellowship with other churches in the area. In his most senior years, he stepped down from day-to-day service, but he continued to help wherever he could. His time was filled with helping and serving in the church and the community by delivering food and taking others to doctor's appointments throughout the area including to the VA clinic in Richmond, VA.

Mack enjoyed weekly Tuesday gatherings with friends to play "Bid Whist." He organized a weekly Thursday morning breakfast group at Cracker Barrel where he always looked forward to gathering with men whom he had been friends with for many years.

Mack was preceded in death by his wife Velva Jean McClain and his daughter, Loyce McClain Cannick.

Previous Events

Viewing

MAR 12. 7:30 PM - 8:30 PM (ET)

Ebenezer Baptist Church
13020 Telegraph Road
Woodbridge, VA 22192

Viewing

MAR 13. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

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Service

MAR 13. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

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Interment

MAR 16. 10:30 AM (ET)

Quantico National Cemetery
18424 Joplin Rd
Triangle, VA 22172

Tribute Wall

MC

“ To the McClain Family,
I offer my condolences and prayers on the loss of your loved one, Mr. McClain. Thank you for sharing him with others for so many years, and for inviting me to share in his 99th Birthday lunch celebration. On the many occasions that I had the pleasure of seeing Mr. McClain, he was such a joy. Always smiling, serving, and helping others. His kind and humble spirit will be truly missed.



May God comfort and give you peace during this time of transition.

In Christian love and sympathy, Mary Ann Carr, Oakland Baptist Church.

Mary Ann Carr - March 13 at 12:59 AM

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“ Richard and Daisy Williams purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Timothy McClain.



Richard and Daisy Williams - March 12 at 03:20 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Timothy McClain.



March 10 at 01:07 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Timothy McClain.

March 10 at 01:07 PM



“ I had the wonderful privilege of presenting Pop McClain with a proclamation on behalf of Supervisor Andrea O. Bailey. He was a man of grace, kindness, and quiet strength who touched the lives of so many.



Pop McClain's legacy of service and compassion will not be forgotten. He will truly be missed by many.

Blessings to his family and all who loved him.

Karen Mills

Karen Mills - March 09 at 10:40 PM



“ My heart is truly saddened at the passing of Mr. Mack. He was truly a wonderful man. I will miss seeing him at the Food Lion. Rest in Paradise sir. Job well done.



Lylla Scales - March 06 at 06:00 PM

RW

“ We are so saddened of the passing of our friend Mack.we will truly miss him. Mack was a cheerful part of our senior group on Tuesdays. To the family we are so sorry for your loss.RIP Mack! 🙏
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Richard and Daisy Williams - March 06 at 01:02 PM