



Roy M. McConnell

March 14, 1936 - May 23, 2022

Roy Martin McConnell, age 86 of Goodlettsville passed away Monday, May 23, 2022 at Skyline Medical Center. Funeral Services will be at 1pm, Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at Robertson County Church of Christ, 2980 Hwy 41 S., Springfield, TN with Bro. John Shannon, Bro. Ralph Kidd and Bro. Rob Caton officiating. Burial will follow in Forest Lawn Cemetery with Kyle Caton, Dustin Dickson, Kurt Caton, Ron Hartley, Tyler Vickers, Chandler Hartley and Eric Dickson serving as pallbearers. The family will receive friends 4pm to 8pm on Tuesday, May 24th at Austin & Bell Funeral Home Greenbrier and 11am to 1pm on Wednesday, May 25 at Robertson County Church of Christ. He was born in Old Hickory, TN to the late James Samuel and Demmie Mable Derryberry McConnell. He was also preceded in death by sons, Gary Martin McConnell, Roy Martin "Marty" McConnell, Jr.; brothers, James McConnell, Tony McConnell; sisters, Dorothy (Miller) Frost, Helen (K.C.) Page and Ruby McConnell.

He was a bi-vocational minister for 64 years. He served the Robertson County Church of Christ and retired from active ministry in 2012. He worked for the Robertson County Board of Education with 20 years at Watauga Elementary School. He served as a principal for 37 years. He retired from the school system in 2000. He had a Masters Degree in both Education and Counseling. He also attended Lipscomb University and graduated with a degree in Biblical Studies. In his years of Education and Ministry he has touched the lives of tens of thousands of people and his prayer is that he will meet everyone in

GLORY!

He is survived by his wife, Nan G. McConnell; daughters, Sonja (Rob) Caton, Tonya (Eric) Dickson; grandchildren, Kyle Caton, Cara (Ron) Hartley, Jenna (Tyler) Vickers, Dustin (Rachel) Dickson, Kurt Caton and Davin Dickson; great-grandchildren, Rozlyn, Chandler, Elaina, Marlee Joe, Quinlan Hartley, Reagan and Owen Caton, Presley, Poppy and Paxton Vickers, Cash and Stella Dickson; brother, Charlie McConnell; sisters, Everwill Swafford, Mable (David) Brown, Betty (Melvin) Kirkham and Alta (Tommy) Lanius.

Online condolences may be made at www.austinandbell.com

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY **24.** 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Austin & Bell Funeral Home Greenbrier
2619 Hwy 41 S
Greenbrier, TN 37073
(615) 643-4000
<https://austinandbell.com>

Visitation

MAY **25.** 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Robertson County Church of Christ
2980 Hwy 41 S.
Springfield, TN

Funeral Service

MAY **25.** 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RH

“ Roy was my principle at Coopertown Elementary. He was a good friend to me, played football with us and years later when I would run into him he would always tell me "Robin, because of you I have a strong right arm now, From all those times I had to paddle you"!!!
To Sonja, my friend and classmate, I'm terribly sorry about your dad, I always think of y'all.

Robin Hudgens - May 30, 2022 at 10:56 PM

JP

“ Sincere condolences Sonja and Tonya on the loss of your dad. You and your family are in my prayers.

Judy Pinson - May 30, 2022 at 05:10 PM

RS

“ Roy and I grew up going to church together. His whole family were wonderful Christian people. He will be missed tremendously!

Rosemary Swing - May 26, 2022 at 05:36 PM

AH

“ Nan, Tonya and Sonja, I am so sorry for your loss, but I can't imagine how overjoyed Roy must have been to meet his Saviour face-to-face. I will never forget hearing of him in my young years and the days he taught at WHHS, but I will forever treasure the day in 1972 when Roy baptized me at Old Center after a revival. He was a great Christian man. You can rest assured you will see him again.

Angie Bates Holloway - May 26, 2022 at 12:50 AM

DW

“ Brother Roy was a good man! He was my Principal at Coopertown. I had never met anyone before who knew EVERY verse in the Bible. He had the entire Bible memorized and all one had to do was quote a part of the scripture and he would finish it and give book, chapter and verse. He lived his faith out loud and was a true example of a Christian educator. My prayers are with his family. Yes, we'll meet in the Southeast Corner of Heaven My Brother!

Dale Warren

Dale Warren - May 25, 2022 at 10:43 AM

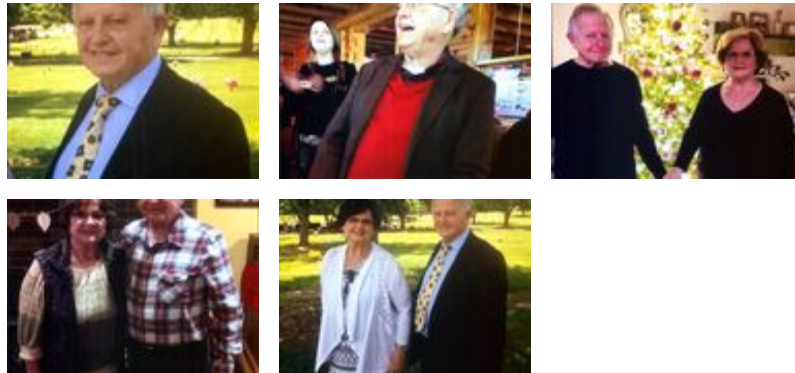
JP

*Our sympathy to the family, we just heard of Bro. McConnell's passing today. Grateful for the work he did in the kingdom.
James & Kay Parker of Corinth in Sumner County, TN.*

James & Kay Parker - May 27, 2022 at 11:48 PM



“ 89 files added to the album Life Tributes



Austin & Bell Funeral Home - May 24, 2022 at 02:17 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Roy M. McConnell.*



May 24, 2022 at 12:28 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time. I will never forget Mr. McConnell, from being my principal to watching his grandkids play ball at the ball park. Such a wonderful man.*



Jami Cornett - May 23, 2022 at 11:51 PM



“ *Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Roy M. McConnell.*



May 23, 2022 at 09:55 PM



“ *King Family - Dan, Ann, Tiffany & Amber purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Roy M. McConnell.*



King Family - Dan, Ann, Tiffany & Amber - May 23, 2022 at 09:47 PM

KF

“ I remember Bro. McConnell from my church as a kid. He was always involved with the kids. He had singing and special time before Sunday night services at Ridgetop and I have wonderful memories of him from church camp. I am one of the thousands of people he baptized. Later he was my kids' principal at Watauga. His love for God, his family and people was evident through his actions. “When we all get to Heaven, we'll sing and shout the victory!”

Kathi Fehrman - May 23, 2022 at 07:44 PM

CL

“ So sorry for your loss. I remember Mr. McConnell as principal when I was in elementary school at Coopertown. Everyone loved him.

Connie Lee - May 23, 2022 at 07:28 PM

NW

“ So sorry to hear of Roy's passing. I have loved him ever since I met him. Loved cutting up with him over tribal things. I have loved his whole family all my life. My deepest sympathy to Nan, his loving wife. Thinking of his whole family at this time.
Nancy K. Willis.

Nancy K Willis - May 23, 2022 at 07:08 PM

KA

“ I remember the first time I spent the night with Tonya. I was in the third grade and was a little scared about spending time away from home. Mr. McConnell made me feel right at home. He was not only my friend's father but my school principal. He was such an amazing man. I will never forget all the good times we had at Coopertown. Mr. McConnell was more than just a teacher and a principal he was my friend. I know he is in heaven celebrating. Heaven gained a great angel today.

Kristi Hunter Alary - May 23, 2022 at 06:30 PM

CB

I remember Mr McConnell from coopertown school to. I've often thought about him and how nice he was to me. Fly high with the lord Mr C .

carol fay (Hutcherson) bagwell - May 23, 2022 at 07:28 PM

NH

I went to Ridgetop Church of Christ with my 5 children. Roy and his wife Nan came to my home each Thursday night studying the Bible with me. After about two months of study I obeyed The Lord and was Baptized. I did not realize there was a 10 year age difference between us. I know what a family man he was and how he truly loved Our Lord! I remember sadly when Marty passed. Last year I lost 3 family members and because of this man's teaching to me 51 years ago I have been able to just turn it all over to Our Lord. RIP Roy. Love to Nan and the children.

Nancy Hutton - May 24, 2022 at 10:24 AM