



## Donald "Don" Lee McAbee Sr.

August 19, 1934 - August 10, 2023

Donald Lee McAbee Sr., known lovingly to many of his friends and family as Junior, passed away at his home in Greer on August 10, 2023, at the age of 88.

Don was born on August 19, 1934, in Greer, to James William "Brudge" McAbee and Grace Mason McAbee. He was married to his beloved wife, Evelyn Bryant McAbee, for 55 years until her passing in 2017. He is remembered as a loving father, father-in-law, uncle, and friend. Don worked with his father, Brudge McAbee, in the farm equipment business for years before taking over as the owner of McAbee Tractor and Turf Company in 1976, which he ran until his retirement in 2000. In business, Don had a very simple philosophy- treat everyone like you want to be treated- which endeared him to his many customers. Along with his passion for Allis Chalmers and Kubota tractors, Don loved spending time outdoors hunting and fishing. He was a member of Washington Baptist Church, Bailey Masonic Lodge and the Hejaz Shrine Temple. Don was a former Commissioner of the Lake Cunningham Fire Department, where he served for over 20 years.

Don is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Lee and Sharon McAbee; his brother, Bud McAbee (Sandra); brother-in-law, Jim Sudduth; and sister-in-law Lavonia Snow, all of Greer. He is also survived by his many nieces and nephews, who he dearly loved.

Don was predeceased by two brothers, J.W. and Joe McAbee; his sisters, Betty Sudduth and Willie Mae Williams; his sister-in-law, Vivian Taylor; and his

brother-in-law, Bill Taylor. He will be deeply missed by his family as well as his beloved dogs, Harry, Molly, Bo, and Ghost.

Services will be held 2:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 15, 2023, at Washington Baptist Church, conducted by Rev. Trent Henson and Dr. Drew Hines. Burial will follow in Wood Memorial Park.

Visitation will be held 6:00 until 8:00 p.m. Monday, August 14, 2023, at The Wood Mortuary.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Shriners Children's Hospital, 950 W. Faris Rd., Greenville, SC 29605 or the Washington Baptist Church Food Pantry Fund, 3500 N. Highway 14, Greer, SC 29651.

Online condolences may be made at [www.thewoodmortuary.com](http://www.thewoodmortuary.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG **14.** 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Wood Mortuary, Inc.  
300 West Poinsett Street  
Greer, SC 29650  
(864) 877-3351  
woodmortuary@bellsouth.net

## Service

AUG **15.** 2:00 PM (ET)

Washington Baptist Church  
3500 North Highway 14  
Greer, SC 29651

# Tribute Wall

LU

“ *There are some who bring a light so great to the world that even after they have gone the light remains.*”

*With Love,  
Luis Hernandez & Family*



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**Luis** - August 14, 2023 at 06:23 PM

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“ *There are some who bring a light so great to the world that even after they have gone the light remains.*”

*With Love,  
Luis Hernandez & Family*



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**Bryana** - August 14, 2023 at 06:21 PM

JE

“ *jeff eldridge lit a candle in memory of Donald "Don" McAbee*”



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**jeff eldridge** - August 13, 2023 at 11:18 AM

JF

“ *Judy Friddle lit a candle in memory of Donald "Don" McAbee*



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**Judy Welch Friddle** - August 12, 2023 at 12:29 PM

AA

“ *Angie AshmoreKruise lit a candle in memory of Donald "Don" McAbee*



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**Angie AshmoreKruise** - August 11, 2023 at 10:06 PM

DL

“ *Love and prayers for the family. So sorry for your loss.*



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**Dolly Lynn** - August 11, 2023 at 07:05 PM

SC

“ *So sorry to hear of Don's passing. I always thought a lot of Don. I bought my first Kubota from him. RIP my friend.*

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**Steve Campbell** - August 11, 2023 at 06:12 PM



“ *R.I.P. Uncle Junior, I'm sure going to miss you!*



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**Debra McAbee** - August 11, 2023 at 02:54 PM



“ *Mr. McAbee was my daddy's (Wayne Bryant) boss man. He was the only boss man that I can every remember him every having. He was a wonderful friend to all. He always took care of his employees, and he took care for his family and friends. Best part every is when McAbee Tractor moved to Hwy 14 behind my childhood home. Even after my dad left McAbee Tractor, Mr. Don always stayed in touch with him. I remember I was always spending my free time there. Mr. Don will be greatly missed by us. My thoughts and prayers are with his family and friends.*  
*Karen (Bryant) Tucker*

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**karen Tucker** - August 11, 2023 at 01:50 PM

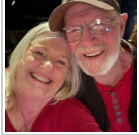


“ *karen Tucker lit a candle in memory of Donald "Don" McAbee*



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**karen Tucker** - August 11, 2023 at 01:44 PM



“ *He was a wonderful Christian man to work. He treated everyone with respect and treated them as he wanted to be treated. If he had still owned McAbee Tractor I would have still been working for him. He was always a great friend and would stand by way no matter what.*

*Wayne Bryant*

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**Wayne Bryant** - August 11, 2023 at 01:05 PM

EB

*Lee we are so sorry about Don (Jr.). Ernest just talked to him last week. We always enjoyed his company. Lots of good memories of him & Eb.*

*Vivian & Bill.*

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**Ernest & Linda Bennefield** - August 11, 2023 at 03:29 PM