



Roy McGee

June 18, 1928 - August 7, 2010

Services for Roy Lee McGee, 82, of Tyler, will be held Tuesday, August 10, 2010 at 2:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home Chapel in Tyler with Rev. Rick Tate officiating. Burial will follow at Goodgame Cemetery near Athens under the direction of Stewart Family Funeral Home.

Mr. McGee passed away peacefully on August 7, 2010 at Hospice of East Texas with his wife, children, brother and sister-in-law at his side.

Roy was born June 18, 1928 in Trinidad, Texas to Henry Lee "Pete" and Ethel Gregory McGee. He graduated from Trinidad High School in 1946, continuing his education by graduating from Henderson County Junior College in 1948 and receiving a BS in Mathematics from East Texas State University in Commerce in 1951. Roy was a member of the first football team at HCJC. In 1976, Roy was named an Outstanding Ex-Student of HCJC. Mr. McGee remained very active in the alumni associations of both Trinidad High School and HCJC during his entire life.

Roy married Mabel McCrackin, the love of his life, on July 14, 1951 and they celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary shortly before his death. Mr. McGee is a veteran of the Korean Conflict- Personnel Sergeant, 21st Infantry Regiment, 24th Division, serving in Japan. Roy moved to Tyler in 1953, where he has resided ever since. Upon arriving in Tyler, Mr. McGee worked with the Texas Employment Commission from which he retired after 35 years of service.

In retirement, Roy pursued his passion for automobiles, owning businesses in Tyler and Trinidad. His emphasis became the purchase and sale of antique automobiles

and car parts. Mr. McGee was a member of the Vintage Chevrolet Club of America and developed many friends while travelling the country in pursuit of this passion.

Roy was an avid sports fan. He followed the Dallas Cowboys faithfully, coached his son's elementary sports teams and made a special effort to attend as many of his grandchildren's sporting events as possible.

Roy was affiliated with Glenwood United Methodist Church for many years and recently became a member of Fairwood United Methodist Church. Mr. McGee was also President of the Goodgame Cemetery Association for 20 years. During his tenure, Roy spearheaded efforts resulting in the Goodgame Cemetery receiving the Texas Historical Cemetery Marker from the Texas Historical Commission.

Roy is preceded in death by his parents and his sisters, Henrietta Tedford and Louise Fugate. He is survived by his wife, Mabel McGee of Tyler; daughter and son-in-law, Becky McGee Lee and Louis N. "Buddy" Lee of Dallas; son and daughter-in-law, Lee and Kia McGee of Pearland; brother and sister-in-law, H.L. and Ruth McGee of Sewanee, Georgia; sister and brother-in-law, Marsha and Bo Kelly of La Vernia, Texas; grandchildren, Brandon and Mason Lee of Dallas and the triplets, Emma, Ben and Max McGee of Pearland; and many well-loved extended family members.

Pallbearers will be Hobie Fugate, Brandon Lee, Buddy Lee, Mason Lee, Kent McCrackin, Gavin McGee, Jamie Tedford and Terry Tedford.

Honorary pallbearers will be Wayne Brown, Keith Fugate, James McCrackin, Benjamin McGee, Emma McGee, Max McGee, Don Morris, Rick Speed and Jack White.

Visitation is scheduled for Monday, August 9, 2010 from 5:00-7:00 PM at Stewart Family Funeral Home, 7525 Old Jacksonville Highway, in Tyler.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Goodgame Cemetery, P.O. Box 54, Eustace, Texas 75124; the Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, Texas 75701; or Fairwood United Methodist Church, 1712 Old Omen Road, Tyler, Texas 75701.

Tribute Wall

BC

“ *Memories of the red corvette and the convertible malibu made high school. Sorry for your loss all my love brenda*

brenda tompkins childs - August 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I am sorry for your loss. May you find comfort from Jesus' promise recorded in the Bible at John 5:28, 29 where he will soon awaken ones like Roy to perfect conditions.*

John - August 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *H. L. and Ruth, I was sorry to read about the death of Roy Lee. At the same time I was glad to find you. For the last couple of years I have tried to find a telephone number or address for you, but no luck. Thinking of you and would like to hear from you. Jean Davidson*

Jean Davidson - August 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ Roy McGee (we called him Uncle Son) was my mother Henrietta's brother. Some of my earliest memories are of sitting around listening to Uncle Son telling stories, most of which ended up with loud laughter from everyone listening. He had a great sense of humor. I also remember how he loved the family farm where my mother was born and took pride in its stewardship. Once when a group of us were at the pond, which was stocked with what seemed like a million catfish, I caught one of the large catfish and after landing it was handling it roughly. I saw out of the corner of my eye that he wasn't too happy with the way I treating the fish. Not saying a word, he walked over and released the fish from the hook and gently eased it back into the water. Lesson learned. Uncle Son was loved by a lot of people and he will be missed.

Terry Tedford - August 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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“ Mrs. McGee I just wanted to let you know I am so sorry to hear about Roy. I will greatly miss visiting with the both of you at Park Place. If I can help you in any way please let me know.

Sincerely,

Tommie Stuth
Ombudsman/Park Place

Tommie Stuth - August 07, 2010 at 12:00 AM