



Arthur Earl McFarland

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Arthur Earl McFarland of Punta Gorda passed peacefully in his home on December 21st, 2022. Arthur was born January 19th, 1944 to Earl and Mildred (McSwain)McFarland in Houston, Texas.

Throughout his life Arthur enjoyed riding his motorcycles, camping in Branson, Missouri with his family, And later in life, RVing with Mary. He loved being in his garage and was “Mr. Fix It” to all his family and friends. His love of tools was legendary. Arthur proudly served in the Missouri National Guard for 37years as a Sergeant First Class. His patriotism continued until he died. He loved the Lord and lived a Godly life while serving in various positions in his home churches. Arthur was a leader in Kingdom Church Builders and helped build churches in both the United States and two foreign countries. In his later years, he loved going on cruises with Mary and many other friends. He proudly worked at American National Property & Casualty Insurance company where he made life long friends before retiring after 36 years. He then became a Pyrotechnic expert while managing fireworks stores in Florida with Mary.

Arthur is preceded in passing by his parents, his stepdaughter Cathy Hatfield, and his brother James McFarland of Nebraska.

Arthur leaves his loving memory with his survivors. His beloved wife Mary McFarland, his son Brian McFarland of Florida, his daughter Lori McFarland Collar of Florida, his stepson Stephen Hatfield (Jessica)of Missouri, his grandchildren Austin Collar, Colton Hatfield, Emily Hatfield, Levi Weddington, and Jade Childress. His sister Melba McFarland Throne (Larry) and numerous nephews and nieces.

Arthur's family have entrusted Fort Myers Memorial Gardens Funeral Home with caring for his final arrangements. Arthur's Memorial Service will be held on January 19th, 2023 at 2:00 pm at Peace River Baptist Church in Punta Gorda, Florida. A memorial will also be held in his home town of Boaz, Missouri at a later date.



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In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Wounded Warrior Project.




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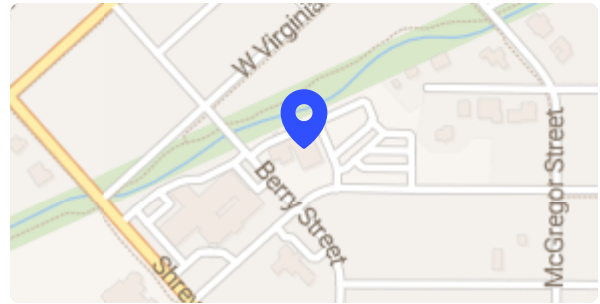
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Memorial Service

 **Thursday**, January 19, 2023

 2:00 PM ET

 **Peace River Baptist Church**
478 Berry Street, Punta Gorda FL 33950





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Annetta Hill posted:

My husband, Harold, and I, both worked with Art at American National. He was a great man and loved his sense of humor! Sending love and prayers to your family! Harold and Annetta Hill

January 28 at 4:16 PM



Anonymous sent a Divine Peace Bouquet to the McFarland family.



January 17 at 1:50 PM



Dee Bailey posted:

I had the privilege to work with Art at American National for many years. He was always the most respected of co-workers because he genuinely cared about others.

January 4 at 6:40 AM



Constance Mitchell Braun posted:

My thoughts and prayers to Mary, Lori, Brian and family. I remember coming to the farm when my sister, Carol, and I were young and playing on the farm. We "helped" Art and James feed the cows and many other fun times. Love from Cousin Conni Mitchell Braun.

January 3 at 3:50 PM



Tammy Dennis posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with Mary and the family. Art & I were close when he worked at American National. He loved to come around and joke and laugh with me. He was a tightwad with his money but had a good heart and a caring soul. Will miss you, Art! Tammy Dennis Springfield, Mo

January 3 at 7:39 AM



Marlisa Schroeder posted:

I was privileged to know Art for many of his years at American National. He always had a smile on his face and a positive word. I know he will be greatly missed, he was a kind and special man.

January 3 at 7:22 AM



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John Mccaskill posted:

So sorry to learn of Art's passing. He was one of the first people I worked with at American National. Art had a good heart and was always patient with everyone, especially those of us that were so young and learning about life. Art was both a character and a man of character, who's legend lived on far past his retirement. Godspeed Art.

January 3 at 6:15 AM



John And Gail Prescott January 18 at 3:35 PM

He was a combination of love, service, and magic. Art set the bar high when it came to love of family, friends, and country. He was heroic in his actions and honored the traditions by which he lived his life. Always kind, always with a twinkle in his eye, he made everyone feel special. His son Brian and daughter Lori filled his life with pride and joy and his job as Dad and Grandfather were the moments he cherished. Art wore his heart on his sleeve and when John Bearden introduced him to his sister Mary, a profound and deep love transformed his life. He knew right away that he was meant to share his dreams and hopes with this Texas gal. They fit together like rhubarb pie and ice cream, the ocean and the beach, and the beating of two hearts overcome with love and passion. Every time I see photos of Art and Mary they are sharing a knowing, secret look. One full of love and twinkling eyes brimming over with the knowledge that they found an angel on earth. Till we all meet again Art, know that you are deeply loved and forever in our hearts.



Ray And Debbie Collins January 5 at 9:20 AM

We, Ray and I, had the privilege of knowing Art through American National. Ray worked closer to him than I did, but I did talk to him at times. We are so so sorry for this great loss. He was a kind and great person. Our prayers, thoughts, and hugs go out to the family of Art. We know he will be greatly missed.



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Arthur by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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