



James "Mac" McDonald

November 21, 1946 - April 8, 2026

James "Mac" McDonald Jr., 79, of Crawfordville, passed away due to natural causes on April 8, 2026. Originally from New York, NY; Mac lived a life dedicated to service, family, and community.

He proudly served in the United States Air Force for six and a half years and was a veteran of the Vietnam War. Following his military service, he joined the Nassau County police department in Long Island, New York, where he worked as an officer for 21 years. In recent years, Mac continued his commitment to helping others as a school guardian at Wakulla Middle School. The students affectionately called him "Mr. Mac," a name that reflected his friendly, caring spirit and his ability to make everyone feel safe and seen.

Outside of work, Mac found joy in the simple pleasures of life — hunting, fishing, playing golf, Beekeeping and gardening. He cherished every moment spent with his family, especially his beloved grandchildren and great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, James McDonald and Alma Williams; and two children, Joseph Christopher McDonald and Tishana Marie McDonald. Mac will be lovingly remembered by his devoted wife of 60 years, Sandra McDonald; his son, Mike McDonald (Valerie); daughter-in-law, Shaonnette McDonald (Joseph); four grandchildren, Omar (Emily), Elizah, Asia, and Regine; three great-grandchildren, Myles, Charlotte, and one more little girl (Summer Rae) soon to arrive.

A memorial service will be held April 16, 2026, at Young Family Funeral Home in the Harvey Young Chapel beginning at 10am. Family and friends will gather

after the service to honor and remember his life. Skip and Trey Young are assisting the family along with Paula, Heather and Amanda. Young Family Funeral Home, Crawfordville 850-926-5919

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **16**. 10:00 AM (est)

Young Family Funeral Home at Harvey Young Chapel
3106 Crawfordville Hwy
Crawfordville, FL 32327

Tribute Wall



“ *Young Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of James "Mac" McDonald*



Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services - April 14 at 01:05 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of James "Mac" McDonald.*



April 16 at 10:19 AM

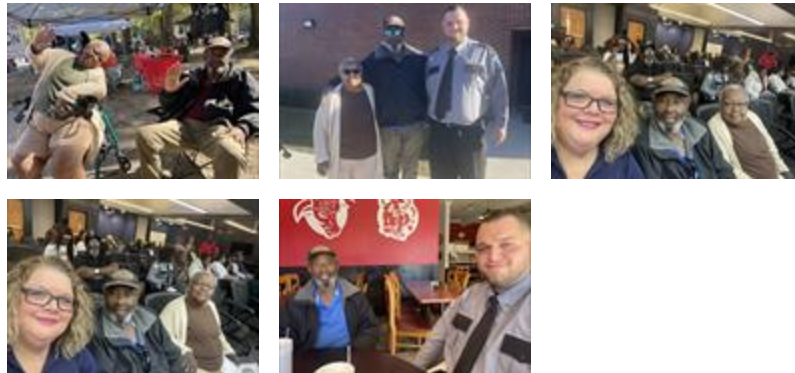


“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of James "Mac" McDonald.*

April 16 at 10:19 AM

TE

“ We'll miss you Mack! Til we meet again. The Elliotts



The Elliott - April 15 at 08:43 PM

AI

“ Apalachee Beekeepers Association, Inc. purchased the America the Beautiful for the family of James "Mac" McDonald.



Apalachee Beekeepers Association, Inc. - April 15 at 01:54 PM

AI

“ Apalachee Beekeepers Association, Inc. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Mac" McDonald.

Apalachee Beekeepers Association, Inc. - April 15 at 01:54 PM

KH

“ Karen H. purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of James "Mac" McDonald.



Karen H. - April 15 at 01:31 PM

DA

“ I will miss you, my friend. Thanks for welcoming me to the neighborhood, wishing us the best when we left, and all of the sage advice and fun times in between. You were one of the brightest lights left in a constantly darkening world. My deepest condolences to Sandy and the tribe that you two have created. Love you, brother!

darrell - April 15 at 12:45 PM

SF

“ Spencer Bachman and family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of James "Mac" McDonald.



Spencer Bachman and family - April 15 at 11:23 AM

KH

“ Mac it's so hard to believe you aren't with us any longer! Our lives are forever changed. I think sometimes people are larger than life. You were always smiling, always happy, always there when someone needed you. Our love and prayers for your beautiful wife, Sandy and family.
Rest in peace our dear friend.

Chuck & Karen Hill

Karen Hill - April 14 at 09:09 PM

TM

“ Every Morning when the School Buses would pull in He would greet the drivers with A Morning Buddy, And In return it was Morning Mr. Mack! He was a Protector and I knew there was nothing to worry about if he was on the Job! We would chat a bit about and I always asked how Mrs. Mack was doing and he always would say, Momma's doing good she fussed at me this morning. Lol. He loved her so much. Mr. Mack , You were the Greatest Man I knew and I Miss You Dearly!!!
Love Always, Teri Morrison Bus 34.

Teri Morrison - April 14 at 01:19 PM



“ 116 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Family Funeral Home and Cremation Services - April 14 at 11:40 AM



“ 5 files added to the album *The life of James "Mac" McDonald*



valerie mcdonald - April 13 at 10:03 PM

VM

“ 128 files added to the album *The life of James "Mac" McDonald*



valerie mcdonald - April 13 at 03:08 PM

WF

“ *Wakulla Middle School Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James "Mac" McDonald.*



Wakulla Middle School Family - April 13 at 01:36 PM

CN

“ *Mac was the best neighbor you could have. He loved my dog Katrina. When Katrina came outside she bark when his garage door was open and Mac would come over and rub Katrina butt and say your child is here. Her called me his buddy and told I have your back. My husband misses him. On Friday the two would have a bourbon and try solve the world problems. Mac will be missed by all. Love you Mac*

Cindy Norwich - April 12 at 06:54 AM

MW

“ Mrs. Theresa R. Wright purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James "Mac" McDonald.



Mrs. Theresa R. Wright - April 11 at 11:56 PM

JB

“ John Evans(John-John) & Family Baltimore purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of James "Mac" McDonald.



John Evans(John-John) & Family Baltimore - April 10 at 10:34 PM

JB

“ John Evans(John-John) & Family Baltimore planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James "Mac" McDonald.

John Evans(John-John) & Family Baltimore - April 10 at 10:34 PM

MM

“ The G&G club will miss you my friend. We had a tight circle and I'll be forever grateful for the fun and laughs we all had. Our neighborhood doesn't seem as bright now, but we'll hold it down from here. Your watch is over. Rest easy and thank you for all you did for our Nation, our kids, and your friends. We miss you Mack!
The McCullens

Melissa McCullen - April 10 at 08:30 PM



I had the privilege of working with James. He was a awesome man to work with. He will truly be missed.

Lori A Clark

Lori Clark - April 11 at 12:35 AM