



Thomas Wiley McNair

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Thomas Wiley McNair, 74, of Fayetteville, died on Thursday, November 11, 2021, of complications following a stroke. Born August 23, 1947, in Fayetteville, he was a fifth-generation resident of Washington County and a lifelong resident of Fayetteville. He was a savings and loan officer and held various positions in finance and real estate.

Thomas graduated from Fayetteville High School in 1966 and from the University of Arkansas in 1971 with a degree in business. He was a four-year letterman in golf. During the mid-1970s he was the men's golf coach at the University of Arkansas, at that time a part-time appointment under Frank Broyles. For most of his life Thomas enjoyed playing tournament golf, winning many local and regional tournaments. He was a member of the First Baptist Church of Fayetteville. He was predeceased by his parents, David Malcolm McNair, Sr., and Feriba Thomas McNair. He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Donnealia Wilson McNair, two daughters Rebecca McNair O'Neal of Fayetteville and Carrie Elizabeth McNair of North Richland Hills, Texas. He is also survived by two granddaughters Josephine Thomas O'Neal and Maxine Lee O'Neal, one brother David Malcolm McNair, Jr (Martha), and one sister Lucy McNair Jones (David). Thomas was an unfailingly cheerful and witty man who enjoyed his many friends and relatives, all of whom will miss him very much. A visitation will be held at Nelson-Berna Funeral Home, 4520 North Crossover Road, on Tuesday, November 16, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. A private family graveside service will be held at Evergreen Cemetery. Memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice.



Events


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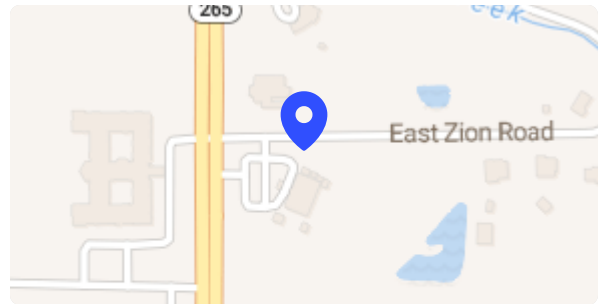
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Visitation


 **Tuesday**, November 16, 2021

 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM CT

 **Nelson-Berna of Fayetteville**
4520 N. Crossover Rd., Fayetteville AR 72703



Cemetery Details

 **Evergreen Cemetery**
Fayetteville AR



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BA

Betty Arambel posted:

Well, I had full intentions of going to the visitation but showed up a day late. Have been thinking of all of you and wanted to give hugs. Fond memories from the neighborhood. From Martha Alison and Betty Arambel

November 21 at 3:48 AM

MT

Mary Leigh Taylor posted:

Donnie we are so sorry to hear of your loss. We have such fond memories of our fun times together. I have tried to find you several times but no success. Please get in touch and let's have a reunion. My girls would love to see your girls. My cell is (479) 926-0701 love to you all

November 20 at 4:39 AM



Mignon Scarbrough posted:

So sorry for your loss. Thomas was a nice man, a wonderful neighbor, and a great golfer. From Martha Agee, and Kim, Mignon, Chandra, and Eve

November 17 at 3:20 PM

PG

Peggy And Gary Gross posted:

Donnie, Gary and I were very sad to learn of Thomas' passing. We have great golf memories and sharing fun times with both of you. We still remember his help in finding a temporary house when we moved to Fayetteville in '94'. Hoping the coming days will give peace to you and the family. Peggy and Gary Gross

November 17 at 1:23 PM

DB

Dennis And Martha Barnes posted:

Donnie, Martha and I were heartbroken to learn of Thomas' passing. We're proud Razorbacks due to Thomas recruiting me for the golf team in 1976, and we fell in love with the school and Fayetteville. He was my coach and my friend, and the team has so many great memories of being with Thomas when we were practicing, traveling and playing in tournaments. It was such a blessing and we're so thankful we got to know you too! Our prayers are with you and your family...God bless you and take care! Dennis and Martha Barnes

November 16 at 1:55 PM



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Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the McNair family.



November 16 at 10:01 AM



Anne C Thomas posted:

Donnie, Carrie, Becky, Malcolm and Lucy, I woke up yesterday in a different world. I realized that I had known Thomas longer than I had known my parents! He and the McNair family have always been friends, and I send my love and prayers to all of you in this time of sorrow. I will cherish my memories of Thomas and his kindness, and for always calling me Annie! My life has been enriched by the McNair clan, and by my friend, Thomas.

November 15 at 5:19 PM



Michael Bidwell posted:

Malcolm- So sorry to hear of thomas's passing. I have such fond memories of your mom being our cub scout Den mother and Thomas was always messing around with us younger boys. Later in college I got to be better acquainted with Thomas. He was a hoot....Michael Bidwell

November 15 at 7:21 AM



Anonymous sent a Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses to the McNair family.



November 15 at 7:10 AM



Kathy Dulan Alexander posted:

I am so sorry. Where have all of the years gone, seems like we were just in high school! Kathy Dulan Alexander

November 15 at 6:59 AM



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BS

Bill Shirley posted:

I am so very sorry about Thomas' passing. He and I used to spend so much time together as tykes as our parents were great friends. Thomas even taught me how to ride a bicycle! I don't believe I was ever able to beat him in a round of golf or game of eight ball. Fun times growing up with him.

November 14 at 4:07 PM

MW

Makii Atha Watson lit a candle in honor of Thomas.

So very sad to learn about Thomas's passing. He was one of a kind and will be missed. Rest In Peace. Makii Atha Watson

November 14 at 1:47 PM



RS

Roger Sanders posted:

I am so sorry to hear of the McNair family loss of Tom. Tom and your entire family were like a 2nd family to me and The Sanders family. I have so many fond memories of growing up with Tom, playing basketball/baseball, our overnight trip your dad took our Little League team on, as youngsters, to St. Louis to watch baseball. I have been away from Fayetteville since 1970, but when I return to visit family all the McNairs are always discussed when talking about our good times. My sympathy to all of you. Roger Sanders

November 14 at 11:10 AM



Anonymous sent a Beautiful Dreams to the McNair family.

November 14 at 8:00 AM





Memories only last if you share them

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



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