



Roger Dale McKenzie

February 22, 1947 - October 15, 2020

Roger Dale McKenzie, life-long resident of Tallahassee, Florida passed away Thursday, October 15, 2020 at the age of 73.

Roger is survived by his wife Margie (Halstead) McKenzie; his daughter Amy McKenzie of Chattanooga, TN; his son Wesley McKenzie (Susan) of Thomasville, GA; his granddaughters Lily, Lia and Laina McKenzie of Thomasville, GA; his sister Vicki Goins (Bob) of Tallahassee, FL; and his brother Vince McKenzie (Angie) of Tallahassee, FL. He is preceded in death by his parents.

Roger was born to Vernon McKenzie and Elizabeth Strickland McKenzie on February 22, 1947. He graduated from Leon High School in Tallahassee in 1965. Roger enlisted in the United States Navy in 1965 and served four years, being honorably discharged in 1969. In 1970 Roger married Margie N. Halstead. Roger and Margie had two children, Amy, born September 15, 1972 and Wesley, born November 13, 1977.

Roger was an avid sports competitor and fan. Growing up he had a passion for baseball and became an all-star pitcher for the Leon High School Lions and the American Legion Baseball League, holding many pitching records and winning many awards for his accomplishments on the mound. He developed a love for the game of golf early on and joined the U.S. Navy Golf Team while in the service. Roger was well-known for his talent on the golf course and was a coveted team member in any tournament. Even at the age of 73, Roger was a scratch golfer consistently besting players half his age. Roger also served the

Tallahassee sports community for many years as a softball umpire and referee for basketball and football. Roger was a die-hard Florida State Seminole fan as well and for decades regularly attended football, basketball and baseball games cheering on the Seminoles.

Roger spent 42 years in the automotive sales industry working as a top salesman for Tallahassee Ford, Palmer Harrell Buick, Champion Chevrolet and later Bob Hobson Chevrolet in Cairo, Georgia. One of his greatest joys was helping individuals and families in the car business. His friendly and honest way of doing business made lifelong friends and lifelong customers. Roger grew up as a member of the Tallahassee Branch Street Church of God and later joined Evangel Assembly of God where he faithfully attended until his passing. He loved the church and loved his family. Later in life, Roger's pride and joy became his three grandchildren, Lily, Lia and Laina, regularly cheering them on in their various sports events and activities. Roger was a loving husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend whose legacy of love, kindness and compassion will continue to make an impact in countless individuals.

Cemetery Details

Tallahassee National Cemetery

5015 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32311

Tribute Wall

RD

“ Nora and I send our sympathies to Margie and the entire family. We will keep all of you in our prayers. Richard Doran

Richard Doran - October 19, 2020 at 02:59 PM

CW

“ Roger, Margie and their families are very special friends that I met while growing up in Tallahassee during the Legislature sessions and attending Branch Street Church of God. Roger was fantastic at baseball and was so kind and loving. I'll always remember his big smile and being the “love” of my best friend, Margie, who became his wife 50 years ago. My heart aches as we lost a great man, but heaven gained a warrior!! Be comforted by Holy Spirit and know my heart is with you today !



Carolyn Walker-Johnson - October 19, 2020 at 02:35 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Roger Dale McKenzie.



October 19, 2020 at 10:55 AM

HA

“ Roger was one of the kindest coworkers I have ever had the honor of working with. He was a genuine soul...a little feisty sometimes...but so genuine. He will truly be missed and I am sincerely broken hearted at the loss the world has suffered but tremendously ecstatic at the beautiful soul Heaven has gained.

*Deepest Sympathies,
Holli Allen*

Holli Allen - October 19, 2020 at 10:39 AM

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“ Holli Allen lit a candle in memory of Roger Dale McKenzie



Holli Allen - October 19, 2020 at 10:37 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger Dale McKenzie.



October 17, 2020 at 12:34 PM

BF

“ Beverly Gainous Ferrell lit a candle in memory of Roger Dale McKenzie



Beverly Gainous Ferrell - October 17, 2020 at 10:44 AM

BP

“ Dear Margie, Amy, Wes, Susan, and Family,

I am so very sad to hear of your loss. Roger was the sweetest, kindest, gentleman. He always had a smile to greet you with and an optimistic story to share. Roger took me under his wing and helped me over the years with his encouragement. He always mentioned how much he loved Margie and how she was everything to him. He loved the Lord and his family so very much.

I hope you feel surrounded by much love right now. We are sending thoughts and prayers to you at this very difficult time.

With heartfelt sympathy, Bridgett

Bridgett Pandolfi - October 17, 2020 at 10:11 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roger Dale McKenzie.



October 17, 2020 at 09:07 AM