



## Y C McNease

February 1, 1936 - March 7, 2023

Y C McNease, age 87, passed away on March 7, 2023 in his home in Monticello, Florida. He was born on February 1, 1936 to parents Sollie and Willie Thornton McNease in Raleigh, Mississippi. He grew up in both the Raleigh and Leland areas and graduated from Leland High School in 1956. A lover of all sports, Y C ran track, boxed in the heavyweight division, and would later excel in all things football.

Shortly after graduating, Y C joined the United States Marine Corps. Among his various duties, he also played for Camp Lejeune's USMC football team and was discharged from active duty 3 years later after reaching the rank of Lance Corporal. He would continue to serve in the USMC Reserve while attending Florida State University to earn his Bachelors. He was also a proud member of their football team and played as a linebacker, fullback, end, and center. Upon graduation, he became their assistant coach. His passion for football would not end there. He also served as an assistant coach at Wichita State (1964), Texas Western (1965), Michigan (1966-1967), Idaho (1968–1969, head coach), Kansas State (1970) as well as UTEP (1971–1972).

Upon retiring from his illustrious football career, Y C entered the insurance and financial services industry which took him and his family to Athens, Georgia, in the Palouse area of Idaho as well as Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. At this time, Y C had a seasonal home in Monticello, Florida and his family would

later settle there permanently. Y C is remembered for his storytelling talents, humility, and deep love for his always-growing family.

Survivors include his loving wife of nearly 28 years, Kathy H. McNease; children Cindy McNease Bozeman (Russell) of Statesboro, Georgia, Doug McNease (Patty) of Monticello, Florida, Monica Vick (Donald) of Bethlehem, Georgia and Melissa Kinney of Bogart, Georgia; grandchildren Garrett Bozeman (Kelly), Graden Bozeman (Ericka), Rachael Bozeman Carter, Callie McNease, Carson McNease, Rhiannon Vick and Niyla Kinney; great-grandchildren Hadley Bozeman, Everett Bozeman, Jase Carter and Brody Bozeman.

Y C is now reunited with his parents and his siblings who preceded him in passing: Delton McNease, Junior McNease, Claudine McNease Bounds, Madeline McNease Killebrew and Pauline McNease Craft.

A committal service with military honors will be held at Tallahassee National Cemetery on Monday, March 13, 2023 at 12:00 p.m.

As a proud Marine, Y C would encourage that in lieu of flowers, memorial contributions be made to The Wounded Warrior Regiment in support of our Marines and their family members in order to maximize their recovery as they return to duty or transition to civilian life.

Breanna Green of Bevis Funeral Home (850-385-2193 or [www.bevisfh.com](http://www.bevisfh.com)) is assisting the family with their arrangements.

# Previous Events

## Committal Service

MAR 13. 12:00 PM (ET)

Tallahassee National Cemetery  
5015 Apalachee Parkway  
Tallahassee, FL 32311

# Tribute Wall

TA

“ Kathy -

*Y C was such a special gentleman who deeply impacted me and my family. Getting to know him in such a unique and surprising way was one of the great privileges of my life. The time Jessie and I got to spend with the two of you will always be cherished. Praying for you and your family.*

*With deep gratitude,  
Travis and Jessie Anderson*

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**Travis Andrson** - March 15, 2023 at 06:41 PM

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**Bevis Funeral Home** - March 13, 2023 at 03:53 PM

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“ *To a lifelong friend for over 55 years. He was a wonderful coach who both taught and inspired us all who played under him. YC was a mentor who brought out the best in all who were around him and always sought to find the next challenge to conquer. Our lord now has someone coaching the angels in defending heaven. We love you and God Bless Kathy and all of the family.*

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**Piti & Blanca** - March 11, 2023 at 03:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Y C McNease.*



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March 10, 2023 at 05:50 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Y C McNease.*



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March 10, 2023 at 03:38 PM



“ *Uncle YC was always so fun to be around. He sure knew how to get a big meal out of his sisters. All he had to do was tell the other ones how good the other one cooked something and they would go to cooking. Great memories with him. Always enjoyed when he and Kathy came to visit.*



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**Janice** - March 09, 2023 at 04:23 PM

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“ Y. C. was a treasured friend, one whom I did not necessarily speak to that often BUT when we talked we just picked up where we left the previous conversation. Y. C. was a special to me. I will miss...talking with him about cars, FSU & UGA football, etc. He would always say to me, "Steve, let me tell you something...." God bless you. My sincere condolences to Kathy & family. Steve Middlebrooks

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**Steve Middlebrooks** - March 09, 2023 at 03:29 PM



“ Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Y C McNease.



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March 09, 2023 at 12:26 PM

ML

“ Cindy and family, My prayers are with you during this sad time. Prayers for peace and strength are being sent for your family! Love ya! Mary Lee

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**Mary Lee** - March 09, 2023 at 10:34 AM

BB

“ I remember as a little girl always being so excited to go see Uncle YC and my cousins. We traveled all over the US. Whenever I visited with them it always felt like home. My Dad was a fellow Marine with Uncle YC. That's how my parents met. The McNease clan is now reunited. They can pick in each other. My Mom can keep telling him what he should do. Lol. I can't believe they are all gone from this world. He will truly be missed.

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**Belynda Brock** - March 09, 2023 at 09:33 AM