



Mr. Paul Lee Don McElroy

January 14, 1958 - June 6, 2018

PAUL L. McELROY

Mr. Paul Lee Don McElroy, a resident of Willow Springs, unexpectedly passed away early Wednesday morning, June 6, 2018 at Ozarks Medical Center due to natural causes. Born January 14, 1958 to Paul Ray and LaCretia Ann (Beeler) McElroy at Jewish Hospital in St. Louis, MO; he was 60 years old.

Paul grew up and attended school in Circle Pines, MN. He attended Centennial High School where he was an award-winning linebacker for the football team, and was nicknamed "Truck." He went on to attend college at St. Cloud Teacher College in St. Cloud, MN. He loved to bake, and worked at several bakeries before opening his own bakery in Lamar, CO. Paul had many enjoyments in life. He loved photography and watching horse racing. He also was an avid fan of St. Louis Cardinals baseball as well as the Willow Springs Bears football team. He was affectionately known as the "muffin man" to his friends in the area who were fortunate enough to receive muffins from him at Christmas. He was a member of the Pomona Christian Church, and will be greatly missed by his family, friends, and all who knew him.

Paul is preceded in death by his father; his step-father, Claude Larison, sisters, Paula and Cretia McElroy; uncles James Russell McElroy, James Johnson, Melvin Johnson, William Johnson; aunts, Betty Johnson and Vera

Collins; cousins, Randy Mill, Virginia Collins, and Michael Johnson.

He is survived by his mother, LaCretia Carter of Willow Springs; his sister, Candy Patterson of West Plains; nieces, Brittney Hatley and her husband, Daniel and daughter, Ellie Rae and Natalie Patterson of Philadelphia, PA; his aunt, Connie Beeler, and uncle, David McElroy. He also leaves behind several special friends: Willie and Phoebe Hendricks, Jeannie and Larry Overton, and Diane Jeffrey, several cousins and a host of friends and church family.

A memorial service for Mr. McElroy will be held on Friday, June 15, 2018 at 6:00 P.M. at Willow Funeral Home, with Pastor Marcus Allen officiating. Arrangements are under the direction of Willow Funeral Home. On-line condolences may be left at www.willowspringsfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JUN **15**. 6:00 PM (CT)

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