



James Joseph McNaughton

July 11, 1930 - May 21, 2018

JAMES MCNAUGHTON

James Joseph McNaughton, 87, of Newnan, formerly of Oregon died Monday, May 21, 2018 at Brookdale Newnan.

Born in Chicago, IL, July 11, 1930, he was a son of the late David and Mary Elizabeth McNaughton. He was a US Marine Veteran having served during the Korean Conflict. He was retired from AT&T where he worked in Human Resources. He attended St. George Catholic Church.

Mr. McNaughton was the last surviving member of his immediate family having been one of four children.

Survivors include a daughter, Mary Perryman and husband Ricky of Sharpsburg; step-children, Michael McGovern of Oregon and Kathy McGovern of California; four grandchildren, Christopher Williams and wife Alyssa of Newbern, NC and Catlin Oliver and husband Kyle of Sharpsburg, Sean McGovern of Portland, OR and Sera McGovern of Los Angeles, CA; and numerous nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be conducted Friday at 3:30PM at Brookdale Newnan with Deacon Steve Beers officiating.

In lieu of flowers the family requests memorials to Disabled American Veterans, P.O. Box 14301, Cincinnati, OH 45250 or at www.dav.org/donate.

For online condolences please visit www.mckoon.com.

McKoon Funeral Home & Crematory (770) 253-4580.

Cemetery Details

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Previous Events

Service

MAY **25**. 3:30 PM.

Brookdale Newnan

Tribute Wall



“ I loved my friend, Jim McNaughton and will miss him dearly! I loved to listen to Jim talk! :) We spent many a year serving on the Platform and Resolutions Committee of the Washington County DEMS with him, shaping policy we wanted to see in the Oregon State Legislature and in Washington, D.C. from our electeds. He was in every delegation with us to visit David Wu. He encouraged Will Hobbs to run against Wu for Congress, and Will received the Oregonians' blessing and endorsement for the Primary! He was one of the most politically-astute labor organizers I've ever met! Jim loved to develop Pro-Labor, Pro-Union political ideas! He never tired of sharing his experiences, the pros and cons, the nitty-gritty of HOW you politically organize around that which you are so passionate about in order to gradually bring about real CHANGE! Perhaps that is one reason why, when I unexpectedly needed personal help for the first time in my life instead of asking for or advocating for others as I always had before, I turned to Jim for advice and consolation. He believed in me, he knew my heart and character, and so he helped me. He put his \$ where his mouth was! When I was wrongfully convicted of a "crime" I did NOT commit, he and the JusticeforLucinda.org team came to visit me in prison over and over, always a cheery smile and jokes to distract me from the long 2 + year-wait for "justice" to finally listen, win my Appeal with proof of actual innocence, the conviction to be reversed, and me to finally be released back home!

He stuck with me, saving my life, quite literally!

One day when they came to visit me and were told I was "not available", they knew something was wrong. I would NEVER have refused a visit! I survived on that contact with friends from the Outside Real World, and they knew it! How many friends do you know who would demand to know where I was, to demand to see me and talk with me so that they knew I was physically ok, when denied their request, then threatened to go onward to the media with this true story of inappropriate unConstitutional State Prison practice, then would challenge the misconduct of the State Prison System, file a criminal complaint against the Dept. of Corrections with the State Police for wrongfully placing me in Solitary

Confinement/ the Hole, not allowing me to speak with my attorney or my husband, not letting the evidence of actual innocence be heard or seen, the record of witnesses of my Good Moral Character not be allowed into their proceedings, and NOT stop until I had been released finally for a shackled visit behind glass with my husband, to prove I was alive? Jim and his friends, my dear friends, did all this for me! And BECAUSE they helped, I was finally released, when I should NEVER have been placed there in the FIRST place! Bless you, Jim!

When I drove up from Orlando, Florida and the May 2015 Innocence Project Networking Conference to visit him, we talked for hours until the man needed sleep! His daughter sweetly let me stay nearby and then I visited one more time the next day. Last time I saw Jim! I'd had spiritual urges to call him (the day he died) and to send him a big CARE package full of Bernie Sanders historic swag I'd collected from being elected to Philadelphia's Democratic NAational Convention in July 2016. I knew he would appreciate it! And I had a list of Bernie Sanders DEM activists' names from Georgia who I'd met there and thought he might want to call and get to know to chat with, more new friends and Pro-Labor converts :)? He LOVED to talk Progressive Change politics! A doer! A saver of lives!

I am so saddened to think that Jim won't be there to call or to talk to when I want to share Progressive DEM politics, but a friend suggested that I can talk to him all I want now. That his spirit will be hanging around to act as a nudge to activism. What would Jim say? Hmm...? A good guide to follow.

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