



James Martin McClory

November 9, 1923 - February 17, 2019

McClory, James Martin. Age 95. February 17, 2019. Beloved husband of the late Ann Cecilia (Conway). Loving father of Michael (Catherine), Daniel (Florentina), Therese (Matthew) Norris and Msgr. Robert J. Proud grandfather of Claire, Emma, Pierce, Grant, Shaye, Joseph, Thomas, Margaret, Philip, Cecilia and Elizabeth. Dear brother of the late John (Edith) and the late Irene (George) Buszka. Predeceased by parents James J. and Catherine. Ann and James (Jim) were married on September 7, 1957 at Sacred Heart Church in Roseville and enjoyed over 59 years of married life. He was a longtime resident of Royal Oak and active member of St. Mary Catholic Church.

Visitation Tuesday 5-8 pm with Rosary 7 pm and Wednesday 2-8 pm with Vigil service 7 pm at the Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Home, 705 W. Eleven Mile Road (4 blocks E. of Woodward), Royal Oak. Funeral Thursday, in state 9:30 am until time of Mass 10:00 am, at St. Mary Catholic Church, Royal Oak. Memorials to the Sacred Heart Major Seminary are appreciated.

James Martin McClory was born in Chicago, Illinois on November 9, 1923, the youngest of three children of James J. and Catherine McClory. As a young boy, his family moved to Detroit. Jim graduated from St. Martin of Tours High School in Detroit in 1943. He was inducted into the United States Navy in June 1943 and served the Navy in the Seabees (the Construction Battalion) as a quartermaster. After completing his Basic Training at Camp Peary,

Virginia, James was deployed from the Port Hueneme Naval Base in Southern California, and stationed in the Pacific Theater during World War II at Guadalcanal and New Caledonia. He attended Walsh College and the University of Detroit.

He met his wife Ann over six decades ago through the Third Order of St. Francis at Saint Bonaventure Monastery in Detroit, where they were members of the bowling league. The family moved to Royal Oak in 1970. James worked for 35 years at Jorgensen (previously Alloy) Steel as an inside salesman, retiring in 1988. He was a volunteer in numerous church and charitable organizations, most especially at Providence Hospital, where he was active for 25 years as a Eucharistic Minister and Spiritual Care Assistant, providing over 7,000 hours of volunteer service in this role. He received a “Golden Oldies” award in 2010 from the Detroit Rotary Club and YMCA for his efforts. Jim was a member of the Knights of Columbus for over 50 years.

Jim served as Grand Marshall for the 2018 Royal Oak Memorial Day Parade. Upon hearing that he was selected for the honor of Grand Marshall, he responded with his characteristic humility, “There are others who are certainly more deserving than me. I am honored, but I’m simply representing all those who served – especially those who gave their lives for our country.”

Jim enjoyed camping, spending time with family, and was able to travel to Rome and the Vatican on two occasions, and meet Saint Pope John Paul II. In his younger years, his pastimes included the Detroit Concert Band and being a member of the Royal Oak St. Mary Choir.

Jim had an abiding trust in God. He had a rich prayer life, attended daily Mass until the last years of his life, and always offered a kind and encouraging word. During the last year he said “Jesus has given us so much that I couldn’t ask for anything more.” When asked to pray for others, Jim would ask God to

“take care of all your needs.” Throughout his entire lifetime, Jim brought God’s joy and love to all those he met.

Cemetery Details

Sacred Heart Cemetery - Roseville, MI

18430 Utica Road
Roseville, MI 48066

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 19. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Rosary

FEB 19. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Visitation

FEB 20. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Vigil Service

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In State

FEB 21. 9:30 AM (ET)

St. Mary Catholic Church
730 S. Lafayette Avenue
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Funeral Mass

FEB 21. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Burial

FEB 21 (ET)

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Tribute Wall

AN

“ I have never met a nicer human being. I keep searching. So glad i got to meet him.

Andy Norris - September 08, 2020 at 02:34 PM

KZ

“ Please accept our deepest sympathy on behalf of the associates and volunteers of Ascension Providence Hospital. Jim was a dedicated and loyal volunteer for over 25 years! He truly made a difference in the lives of so many by offering communion to our patients and also a listening ear. His gentle personality and humble spirit touched both patients and staff. He was a true servant leader.

Kathleen Zaguroli - February 24, 2019 at 04:57 PM

SM

“ Dear Msgr. McClory,

My heartfelt condolences to you and all your family on the passing of your dear father. We are all remembering you in our prayers here in the monastery!

*With deepest gratitude for all your kindness to me while I was a parishioner at Shrine,
Sr. Agnes Marie, OCD*

Sr. Agnes Marie - February 21, 2019 at 09:46 PM

TS

“ Our sincerest condolences to you, Monsignor Robert McClory and all your family on the loss of your dear father, James M. McClory. Although we did not know him personally, through the ministry of his son Robert, his dear love for Christ is very evident. How blessed you all have been to have such a treasured loved one in your family and now having passed into his eternal reward, to intercede for all who call upon him. Eternal rest grant unto James McClory, O Lord, and may the perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen. Sincerely, Teri & Andrew Schroeder, NSLFB

Teri Schroeder - February 21, 2019 at 06:09 AM

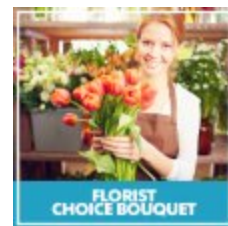


“ I wish to extend our deepest condolences to the family of Jim McClory. We are all going to miss him greatly. My mother called to inform me of his passing. She wanted me to extend her sympathies as well. She told me that Jim, my dad, James, and Harry Tillotson all sang in both the church choir, and the Papal choir at the Silverdome.
Michael Ennis

Michael Ennis - February 20, 2019 at 05:36 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Martin McClory.



February 19, 2019 at 07:26 PM

CS

“ *Carl Morelli, Chair, AFSO & Joseph Sciame, President purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Martin McClory.*



Carl Morelli, Chair, AFSO & Joseph Sciame, President -
February 19, 2019 at 06:16 PM

SE

“ *Mr. McClory was a genuinely kind man and I'll miss running into him around Royal Oak. As a grandchild of his neighbors, he always remembered me, said hello and asked how the family was doing- even asking about my pets. :) He was a really great guy.*

SARAH ENGLISH - February 19, 2019 at 04:41 PM

MA

“ *Jim and Ann were a great source of spiritual inspiration to me in high school, he was a lovely man. My condolences*

Matt Allen - February 19, 2019 at 04:16 PM

BM

“ *Berit and Bob Muh purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of James Martin McClory.*



Berit and Bob Muh - February 19, 2019 at 03:17 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Martin McClory.*



February 19, 2019 at 12:08 PM



“ *I have such happy memories of Uncle Jim's kindness and gentle manner. My love and prayers are with you. Paula Lee*

Paula Lee - February 19, 2019 at 11:17 AM



“ *Dear Father please send James to his wife Ann in heaven to stay forever.*

Joseph and Deborah Gilleran - February 19, 2019 at 09:01 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of James Martin McClory.*



February 18, 2019 at 05:53 PM



“ *Jim has touched our hearts forever. His walk with Christ always in our souls. His love for family and friends never forgotten, a gift to all that were blessed to have him in our life. Fondly, Nancy and Mike Tarpey*

Nancy Tarpey - February 18, 2019 at 03:17 PM

TH

“ While I am so sorry to hear of the loss of my dear Godfather, Jim, I rejoice in the fact that he is together once again with his beloved wife, my Godmother Ann, and together they dwell in the house of our Lord and savior. I will never forget his quiet, unassuming manner & the peace and joy he experienced in his loving service to the Lord. A kind & gentle man, we were all blessed to have had him in our lives. Gods love and prayers to you all! xo

Theresa Desarmeaux Rizzo

TheresaRizzo - February 18, 2019 at 03:09 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Martin McClory.



February 18, 2019 at 02:58 PM

SW

“ Your father was a bright light as a witness for Christ. Never have we known a man so filled with peace and joy. Many prayers and big hugs for the McClory family from the Steve and Julie Whitmore family.

Steve and Julie Whitmore - February 18, 2019 at 02:56 PM

NS

“ *National Shrine of the Little Flower Staff purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of James Martin McClory.*



National Shrine of the Little Flower Staff - February 18, 2019
at 02:40 PM



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of James Martin McClory.*



February 18, 2019 at 10:25 AM

KM

“ *James lived a long full life and was always there to greet you with a smile. He will be sorely missed but is resting now. He and Ann are together again with fond memories of their children and grand children. Our thoughts and prayers are with the McClory family. Keith & Roberta Moore and family.*

Keith Moore - February 18, 2019 at 08:59 AM

NL

“ Dear McClory family,

When our family moved to Michigan, we met the McClory family and it was truly a spiritual life-changing moment for us. The reading for today's liturgy speaks about the Beatitudes. Jim and Ann McClory lived them every day of their life. Jim was a true servant of the Lord and showed us how to be Christ for one another in all of our words and deeds. Jim is now resting in the arms of the Father! His gentle and kind spirit and love for others live on in all who knew him. Ann and Jim will forever remain a part of our lives and hearts. Our prayers go out to the family in their time of sorrow. May the loving presence of the Lord and Blessed Mother be your consolation and give comfort to your hearts.

We love you and are truly blessed to have known you and to have shared such wonderful and beautiful memories of times we spent together.

Love Always,

Nancy & Neil Lauer and family

Nancy Lauer - February 17, 2019 at 07:09 PM