



## Bill Trammell "Buck" McClellan

August 15, 1934 - August 6, 2019

Bill Trammell ("Buck") McClellan entered the presence of his Savior on Tuesday, August 6, 2019. There he joined his wife of 63 years, Mary Amelia Goulding McClellan, who preceded him in death by 15 days. Buck was born on August 15, 1934 in Elizabethton, TN to John Chesterfield McClellan and Mary Virginia Trammell McClellan. He was a graduate of Elizabethton High School in 1952, attended ETSC and then went on to graduate from the University of Tennessee majoring in business. Buck worked his entire career with The Paty Company starting in 1947 sweeping floors for his father at the age of 13 and ending as a senior vice president and stockholder upon his retirement in 1999. Buck was a talented basketball player in high school and made the Tennessee All-State team as a starting guard in 1952. Following marriage to his beloved wife, Mary, Buck enlisted in the US Army and served in Germany for two years where he and Mary enjoyed visiting sites in Europe when he wasn't on guard duty. He was a long-time member of First United Methodist Church where he was active for most of his years in administration, facility improvements and Sunday School. Living most of his life in Johnson City, he was for a number of years a member of the Johnson City Country Club where he enjoyed playing golf and tennis and taking sports trips with his friends. Buck's favorite hobby was woodworking, and he made a number of pieces of furniture and toys that are still treasured by his family. He also designed and built the family home. Buck served the community in retirement transporting youth to Buffalo Mountain Church Camp, making deliveries for Meals on Wheels with his beloved church buddies and providing transportation and other support for Family Promise of Greater Johnson City, a ministry he cared for very much. In retirement, Buck especially enjoyed finding and renewing old friendships from high school, college and the army. Buck enjoyed traveling to many US states and countries in the world with his wife, family and friends. But he especially loved hiking in all seasons with his beloved wife in the Blue Ridge and Smoky Mountains. He and another special FUMC friend spent many hours hiking to the waterfalls he especially enjoyed. But above all, Buck cherished his role as husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather. He spent many hours playing with all of them and attending their many extracurricular events and taking them on special outings and trips.

Buck is survived by his daughters, Nancy Morrison (Robert), Kathryn McClellan and Deborah Dills, 4 grandchildren, Ashley Briefel (Jason), Matt Morrison (Cammie), April Dills and Julie Dills, 2 great-granddaughters, Magnolia Briefel and Annabelle Briefel and many beloved nieces and nephews. In addition to his parents and wife, Buck was preceded in death by his beloved sister, Nancy McClellan Walker. If you would like to honor Buck with a donation, his family suggests Family Promise of Greater Johnson City, PO Box 205, Johnson City, TN 37605 or First United Methodist Church of Johnson City.

The family will greet friends to share memories at 1:30 pm on Saturday, August 10, 2019 until a Celebration of Buck's Life at 3:00 pm in the Sunrise Chapel of Tetrick Funeral Services, Johnson City with Rev. Betty Furches and Rev. Jodie Ihfe, officiating. Buck will be laid to rest at Monte Vista Memorial Park.

Memories and condolences may be shared at [www.tetrickfuneralhome.com](http://www.tetrickfuneralhome.com). Tetrick Funeral Services 3001 Peoples Street, Johnson City, TN 37604 (423) 610-7171 is honored to serve the McClellan family. The obituary was lovingly submitted by the McClellan family.

# Cemetery

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# Events

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**Monte Vista Memorial Park**  
1900 Oakland Ave  
Johnson City, TN, 37601

**AUG**  
**10**

**Visitation**

01:30PM - 03:00PM

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Tetrick Funeral and Cremation Services  
3001 Peoples Street, Johnson City, TN, US, 37604

**AUG**  
**10**

**Celebration of Life**

03:00PM

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# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



Tetrick Funeral - August 09 at 12:24 PM

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“ 72 files added to the album LifeTributes



Tetrick Funeral - August 09 at 12:13 PM

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“ Judy&Tom purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Bill Trammell "Buck" McClellan.



Judy&Tom - August 09 at 11:05 AM

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“ Patsy Austin and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Bill Trammell "Buck" McClellan.



Patsy Austin and family - August 09 at 09:06 AM

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“ Keith And Jean Jones lit a candle in memory of Bill Trammell "Buck" McClellan



Keith and Jean Jones - August 08 at 12:52 PM

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“ Buck hired me on June 7,1970 at wholesale Distributing for the summer,almost 50 yrs later I am still in the same building. I loved your mom and dad. I was just 19 when i came here. I lacked 1 semester graduating from ETSU and I never went back to school.



Jeanie e Kyker - August 08 at 08:59 AM

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“ Nancy, My deepest condolences go out to you and all the family. You all are in my prayers. I know what it is to lose a parent but to lose both so close I can only imagine. May God Bless.

Gloria Jones Overbay

gloria overbay - August 08 at 07:58 AM