



James Thomas McGregor

October 7, 1937 - June 30, 2024

James McGregor, 86, of North Charleston, SC, passed away on Sunday, June 30, 2024.

James was born on October 7, 1937, in Saint Claire, MI, a son of the late Thomas McGregor and Mildred DeMars McGregor. He married his first wife, Arlene McGregor in 1961, and spent years with her until her passing 1977. He then married Grace Driggers McGregor and spent years with her until her passing in 2017. James served in the US Army from 1954-1957. He joined the US Navy in 1957, serving on the DER 316, SS 303, SSN 604, AS-18, and completed several deterrence patrols on SSBN 599, SSBN 631, and SSBN 630. He retired from the Navy in 1974 as a Senior Chief. Following his service, he started at the Charleston Naval Shipyard in 1975 to 1993 as a Shift Test Director, testing various systems in the engineering spaces of submarines.

He is survived by his children: Colleen Carte (Jack), Kathleen Lynn McGregor (Dan), Michael Scott McGregor (Gabrielle), Joseph McGregor (Debbie), Sandra Wood (Sam), Carol McGregor, Donna McGregor, Ed Yates, Billy Yates (Sandra), Lorry Anderson (Richard), Don Yates, and Abbyann McGregor; 25 beloved grandchildren; as well as 15 great grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by two children, Patrick James and Keith Yates; as well as siblings, Abbyann McGregor and Diana Andres.

A Visitation of family and friends will be held on Friday, July 5, 2024 from 12:00pm to 1:00pm at James A. Dyal Funeral Home, 303 South Main Street, Summerville, SC 29483. The Funeral Service will begin at 1:00pm in the chapel. Burial will immediately follow at Ridge Baptist Church Cemetery.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 5. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

James A. Dyal Funeral Home
303 S. Main Street
Summerville, SC 29483
(843) 873-4040
<https://www.jamesadyal.com>

Funeral Service

JUL 5. 1:00 PM (ET)

James A. Dyal Funeral Home Chapel
303 S. Main Street
Summerville, SC 29483

Burial

JUL 5 (ET)

Ridge Baptist Church Cemetery
2168
Ridge Church Road
Summerville, SC 29483

Tribute Wall



“ *Colleen Carte lit a candle in memory of James Thomas McGregor*



Colleen Carte - December 30, 2024 at 11:13 AM



“ *Steve and Connie Beck planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Thomas McGregor.*

Steve and Connie Beck - July 03, 2024 at 03:44 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of James Thomas McGregor.*



July 03, 2024 at 03:44 PM



“ *With Distinction was purchased for the family of James Thomas McGregor.*



July 03, 2024 at 03:41 PM

MC

“ *McGregor Children planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of James Thomas McGregor.*

McGregor Children - July 03, 2024 at 03:35 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of James Thomas McGregor.*



July 03, 2024 at 03:35 PM

JC

“ *Jonathan and Nora Corley purchased the Florist Choice Bouquet for the family of James Thomas McGregor.*



Jonathan and Nora Corley - July 03, 2024 at 01:10 PM



“ Dear family and friends of James,
On behalf of the United States Submarine Veterans, we offer our sincere condolences at James’s passing. Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. We are always saddened whenever a fellow "Bubblehead" departs on Eternal Patrol. He served with honor on the USS Kirkpatrick DER 318, USS Sablefish SS 303, USS Haddo SSN 604, USS Orion AS-18, USS Patrick Henry SSBN 599, USS Ulysses S Grant SSBN 631, and USS John C Calhoun SSBN 630.

To our "Brother-of-the-Phin" we say, "Sailor, rest your oar. We have the watch. Fair Winds and Following Seas." Thank you for your service to our country.

To the family... "may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times in every way. The Lord be with you." 2 Thessalonians 3:16 (ESV).

Jim Sandman, FTC(SS) Ret,
National Chaplain, USSVI.
www.jimsandman.com

Jim Sandman - July 02, 2024 at 04:57 PM

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Thank you for your kind words. I am very proud of my father.

Colleen Carte - December 30, 2024 at 11:12 AM

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“ CDK Discovery Team purchased the Loved One Vertical Blanket for the family of James Thomas McGregor.



CDK Discovery Team - July 02, 2024 at 04:07 PM



“ 15 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



James A Dyal Funeral Home - July 02, 2024 at 02:21 PM