



Neil C. McElroy

August 12, 1965 - October 28, 2015

Neil Clinton McElroy of Lumberton passed away on Wednesday, October 28, 2015 at Cooper Hospital in Camden. He was 50.

Born on Fort Dix, Neil was a longtime Lumberton resident and a graduate of Rancocas Valley Regional High School and Pfeiffer University. He was the General Manager at Wills Bus Service in Lumberton for more than 25 years. Nicknamed the “Natural” he was an avid golfer, an accomplished baseball player, and successful bowler, dart player and pool shark. He was a sports aficionado, but above all he was a devoted father. He was most often found watching and coaching his girls in sports. (They preferred him watching)!

The son of the late Francis T. & Shirley McElroy, Neil is survived by his daughters Bridget and Olivia; his sister Phyllis “PJ” McElroy of Lumberton, and a nephew Brian Hoxit. He is also survived by his loving wife and best friend, Stephanie McElroy and her family of Lumberton.

Relatives and Friends are invited to attend his visitation on Tuesday from 5-8 PM at the Perinchief Chapels, 438 High St., Mount Holly. A brief prayer service will follow at 8:00 PM. Interment will be private. Contributions in his memory may be made to: McElroy Memorial Fund.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 3. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Perinchief Chapels
438 High Street
Mt. Holly, NJ 08060
(609) 267-0399
info@perinchief.com
<http://www.perinchief.com>

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Buzz lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Buzz - August 12, 2025 at 03:31 PM



HAPPY 60th BIRTHDAY my friend, sure miss all them crazy fun days hanging out!!!

Buzz - August 12, 2025 at 03:34 PM



“ *Buzz lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Buzz - August 12, 2024 at 02:17 PM



Happy 59th Birthday my friend, sure miss them crazy days.

Buzz - August 12, 2024 at 02:18 PM



“ *Neil C. McElroy*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM



“ Neil C. McElroy

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM



“ Buzz lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy



Buzz - August 13, 2022 at 11:17 AM



“ Happy 56th birthday miss all them crazy days brother.

Buzz - August 13, 2021 at 05:51 AM



“ Time flies. This year it will be five years since Neil passed and 4 for Bob. Two roommates at Pfeiffer, brothers really. We all were brothers for sure. I miss them both and hope and pray that that their families are doing well. - Jimmy Kiernan, buster410@ptonline.net

James Kiernan - August 17, 2020 at 10:10 AM



“ BUZZ lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy



BUZZ - July 03, 2020 at 09:50 AM



“ *Tracy Tibbits lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Tracy Tibbits - November 03, 2015 at 09:24 PM



“ *Alison Lucas lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Alison Lucas - November 03, 2015 at 04:29 PM



“ *Kelly Eppleman lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Kelly Eppleman - November 03, 2015 at 07:42 AM

Katrina
N Bill
Zellman

“ I met Neil on a battlefield of sorts...the playground of F.L. Walther Elementary School...As Kindergartners, we were enjoying a friendly game of rock throwing against the first graders during recess...I know, where were the grownups???...It was 1970-71..Probably watching the rainbow trails left behind as rocks were being thrown...I remember thinking he was cool, easily the best thrower, had that front teeth clamped on the bottom lip intensity, really big "are you with me?" eyes...little did I know then that we would become friends that would carry us through into adulthood...We really connected in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade...We had a ton of fun, became familiar with the school's administration, and I eventually spent endless hours at his house...Hanging out with Neil, Phyllis, Mom, Dad, and the two huskies, were days that I cherish, too many memories to list here, just know that I was always welcomed, and loved by all of them...Even when the Charles Chips truck rolled up with fresh tins of barbecue chips..Neil always had the first of everything (Francis and Shirley spoiled them a little, I think)...first time I ever played the very first video game, Pong, was at the McElroys... he had every hand held game device and was great at all of them...Rubiks Cube?...First guy I ever saw solve the thing...Neil was always first in everything...sometimes that drove us all crazy, most of the time we just shook our heads, that's just Neil...He could talk some smack, we all could, but he always backed it up and we always had a good laugh out of it as well...With all due respect to other neighborhood greats, Neil was the best baseball player I ever knew, he really was a natural, and we spent many days together playing a sport that you could tell was his passion...We remained friends throughout high school, and even though our times together diminished, we always carried a mutual, genuine care for one another and reconnected often and with that comfortable ease that we all know and cherish when it comes to special people in our lives...I'll miss you, my friend... I am saddened by the realization that too many do not get to experience the kind of friendship that we shared...So here you go "Musketeer"... "Shirley",.. "Clinton"...Always remember the red barn, plop, plop, the bus, the dances, bobbing for apples, our fangs,

lunch, recess, after school athletics, whirlpools in the backyard, Live Aid, Dad's heater, games of goalline and stickball,..most of all, remember that I love you, always have, always will...Your Friend, Bill Zellman, "Muskateer", "Weesie", "Chucky"...Z

Katrina N Bill Zellman - November 03, 2015 at 07:39 AM

SN

Don't know how I stumbled onto this, but beyond saddened to learn of the loss of Neil. Great tribute Bill. It brought me right back to that playground. So awesome that you guys remained close. Neil was all you said and more, and I remembered how close and loving the McElroy family was. My thoughts and love to all, Scott Nicolson (the Muskateer that disappeared)

Scott Nicolson - June 13, 2016 at 06:40 PM


Kathleen
Rife

“ *Kathleen Rife lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Kathleen Rife - November 03, 2015 at 06:52 AM

YO

“ *Dear McElroy Family:*

I wish to convey my sincerest condolences to your entire family. Losing a loved one in death is one of the hardest things that anyone will ever have to deal with. There is a great hope held out to us for the future because God promises to bring those we lost back to life by means of a resurrection to a paradise earth, where sickness and death will be no more. I hope this brief message will bring you a measure of comfort in this difficult time.



Your - November 03, 2015 at 06:14 AM

Jim Hough

“ 1 file added to the album *New Album Name*



Jim Hough - November 02, 2015 at 09:03 PM

Jim Hough

Neil was 16 & i was 18 when we were at this show. Can you pick us out in the crowd?>LOL. This was our first BIG concert event that we went to. GREAT TIME together.

Jim Hough - November 03, 2015 at 10:43 AM

Jim Hough

“ 2 files added to the album *New Album Name*



Jim Hough - November 02, 2015 at 08:32 PM

TF

“ *The Clark Family lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



The Clark Family - November 02, 2015 at 08:12 PM

HB

“ In the crazy world that is travel softball, I have met dozens of "softball dads", few were as memorable as Neil. He was one of the most dedicated fathers to his girls, and yet managed to be realistic and supportive at the same time. He was always there with a smile and a joke, no matter how bad things were going for the team or himself. He will be missed and I wish peace to Steph, and to Bridg, and Liv. Two great kids that I am sure will live meaningful lives and be a testament to their dad's support.

Howard Bromberg - November 02, 2015 at 02:39 PM

RA

“ Rob Anderson lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy



Rob Anderson - November 02, 2015 at 09:11 AM

DV

“ Neil, a true "guy's guy" who had a great sense of humor, dished it out as well as he could take it; very important qualities for spending countless hours together as "softball dads". More importantly, he spent countless hours with Liv & Bridg and in many ways, exemplified what a "dad" should be. I'm grateful for the time we spent together, your kindness to our family and the memories you've enriched us with. We will miss you. Our very best to Steph, Liv & Bridgette in this difficult time.

our best and love,

David, Karen, Samantha & Mikaela Volpe

David Volpe - November 02, 2015 at 07:56 AM

DW

“ *Dolores Weyman lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Dolores Weyman - November 01, 2015 at 08:01 PM



“ *I knew Neil from college, he always had a smile on his face and had everyone around him laughing, he will be greatly missed*



Beth Berrevoets - November 01, 2015 at 12:24 PM

DC

“ *David Chamberlain lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



David Chamberlain - November 01, 2015 at 11:36 AM

JC

“ *James Carvin lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



James Carvin - November 01, 2015 at 10:13 AM

VK

“ *Veronica Kraft lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Veronica Kraft - November 01, 2015 at 10:11 AM

SJ

“ *Susan Johnson(Baldinger) lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



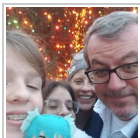
Susan Johnson(Baldinger) - November 01, 2015 at 09:40 AM

 Katrina
N Bill
Zellman

“ *Katrina N Bill Zellman lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Katrina N Bill Zellman - November 01, 2015 at 09:02 AM



“ *John Halapchuk lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



John Halapchuk - November 01, 2015 at 08:45 AM

Monica
Banks-
March

“ *Monica Banks-March lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Monica Banks-March - November 01, 2015 at 08:20 AM

VC

“ *Veronica Cunningham lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Veronica Cunningham - November 01, 2015 at 07:11 AM

BR

“ *You guys are a very strong family and I know you be even stronger now! We loved Neil and hus dedication to you guys and he will not be forgotten!*



Bromberg's - October 31, 2015 at 06:23 PM

TZ

“ *Tammy Zarzecki lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Tammy Zarzecki - October 31, 2015 at 12:57 PM



“ *We are thinking of you all. The Giannis*

Sharon Mills Gianni - October 31, 2015 at 07:45 AM



“ *Joyce Wentz lit a candle in memory of Neil C. McElroy*



Joyce Wentz - October 31, 2015 at 01:38 AM



“ *Awesome father...truly awesome...will miss your softball commentaries bro*

TB - October 30, 2015 at 05:41 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Colleen Zanone Lash - October 30, 2015 at 05:31 PM

MB

“ *A great man, a tremendous farther, taken way to soon. Saddened and praying for you all in during this very difficult time.*



Mark Baker - October 30, 2015 at 04:24 PM



“ *Neil always had a smile on his face. A wonderful man taken much too soon. God Bless Olivia and Bridget!*

Patti Ann Claire - October 30, 2015 at 02:39 PM