



## James "Jim" Reese McCoy Sr.

June 14, 1954 - April 15, 2023

James Reese McCoy, Sr. (Jim), 68, of Carlile, Oklahoma passed away April 15, 2023 due to complications of Covid and brain bleeds after a lengthy stay in either a hospital or rehab facility. Jim was born on June 14, 1954 at the US Naval Hospital in San Diego, California. Jim's father was stationed off the coast with the Navy when Jim was born. He was the first born of Fredrick Reese McCoy (Bill) and Shirley McCoy. Jim grew up in Tulsa and graduated from Will Rogers High School in 1972. That same year he joined the Army and did two tours of duty which sent him to Korea and Germany. After his military tours of duty, he attended Rogers State College and received an Associate of Science degree.

Jim married Carla Remer of Carlile, Oklahoma on May 22, 1993. They shared more than 30 years of life, marriage and memories together.

Jim was employed by the US Post Office and later by the US Army Corps of Engineers where he retired in 2010 with 36 years of service. During this time, Jim felt he needed to help the victims of Hurricane Katrina, so he spent time helping to clean up parts of Louisiana. Later in his career, he wanted to help the military cause, so he was deployed twice to Iraq and Afghanistan. Jim had many medical conditions such as diabetes, loss of a kidney due to cancer which caused him to be on peritoneal dialysis and at the end brain bleeds. He fought for months in hospitals and rehab facilities to get stronger.

Jim was also proud to be a Mason.

Jim is survived by his wife of 29 years Carla Remer McCoy and his legacy

continues with his daughter Amberlee McCoy of Kellyville; son James Reese McCoy Jr. (Buddy) and wife Lauren of Moore, Oklahoma; three grandchildren Joseph Smith of Mounds, Ava and James Reese McCoy III (Reese) of Moore, Oklahoma; one great-grandson Nash Smith. Jim also leaves two sisters Sheryl Pollard of Tulsa and Carol McCoy of Sand Springs; brother-in-law Preston Remer and wife Myrna of Vian, Oklahoma; and childhood friend of 55 years Brian Egan of Tulsa, Oklahoma; plus several nephews, nieces and friends.

Jim was preceded in death by his parents, Fredrick (Bill) and Shirley McCoy; and his sister Judith McCoy.

Public viewing will be Thursday, April 20 from 9AM-5:30PM; Friday, April 21 from 9AM-8PM at Cornerstone Funeral Home in Muskogee or on the morning of the service at his home. Graveside services will be at 2:30PM, Monday, April 24, 2023 at Fort Gibson National Cemetery with military honors being presented. A celebration of Jim's life will follow at the Bedouin Shrine Temple, 201 S 6th St W, Muskogee, OK.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the National Kidney Foundation or a charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Fort Gibson National Cemetery

1423 National Cemetery Rd.  
Fort Gibson, OK

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR **20**. 9:00 AM - 5:30 PM (CT)

CORNERSTONE FUNERAL HOME  
1830 N York St  
MUSKOGEE, OK 74403

## Visitation

APR **21**. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

CORNERSTONE FUNERAL HOME  
1830 N York St  
MUSKOGEE, OK 74403

## Visitation

APR **24**. 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

Residence  
102922 S 4460 Rd  
Gore, OK 74435

## Service

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APR **24**. 2:30 PM (CT)

Fort Gibson National Cemetery  
1423 National Cemetery Rd.  
Fort Gibson, OK

# Tribute Wall



“ *James "Jim" Reese McCoy Sr.*

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October 23, 2023 at 09:38 AM



“ *From Jim's sisters and their families purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of James "Jim" Reese McCoy Sr..*



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**From Jim's sisters and their families** - April 19, 2023 at 08:07 PM