



## Mr. Monroe McClain

September 8, 1947 - November 19, 2025

In Loving Memory of Monroe McClain

Monroe McClain was born in Keatchie, Louisiana, to the late M.C. McClain and Allean McClain. He grew up in Keatchie alongside his siblings: Rev. Willie McClain (Keatchie, LA), Henry McClain (Dorothy, Houston, TX), Andrew McClain (Keatchie, LA), Rev. Lee Roy McClain (Deborah, Shreveport, LA), Lena Mae McClain (deceased), Carlyon M. Washington (Keithville, LA), and Cynthia Ann Clay (Shreveport, LA).

Monroe attended Longstreet Rosenwald Elementary and graduated from Logansport High School in 1965. Shortly after graduation, he moved to live with his Uncle Robert and Aunt Penny. At age 19, Monroe answered the call to serve his country, drafted into the United States Army, where he served honorably in Vietnam.

A Life Rooted in Faith and Love

Monroe's life was guided by his deep love for God. He accepted Christ early and began serving in the Male Chorus at Faltine Baptist Church in Gloster and Keatchie, LA. His commitment to ministry grew as he became a Deacon and Male Chorus member at Greater First Baptist Church. At Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church, Monroe continued his faithful service as a Deacon, a member of the Count Team, and leader of Group 46, working alongside clergy to strengthen the church community.

In 1980, Monroe met the love of his life, Grenier McClain, in a chance encounter at Firestone. Their meeting was no accident, it was divine. They married in 1984 during Holy Week, believing that God's blessing would sustain their union. Their marriage, officiated by Rev. William A. Lawson, blossomed into 45 years of unwavering love and companionship. Monroe brought one son, Monroe Jr., into the marriage, and Grenier brought two sons, Elliott and Dana. Together, they built a beautiful, blended family anchored in faith and love.

### Work, Joy, and Laughter

Monroe worked diligently throughout his life, holding positions at Baker Hughes, the Railroad, as a Metro Bus Driver, with SOS Supply, and in HISD maintenance. Later, he served faithfully for 16 years at Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church, hired by Deacon James N.E. Williams. Outside of work, Monroe embraced life with joy. He loved fishing, playing dominoes and bid whist, and going to the movies with Grenier. He was an active member of the Golden Divas and Dudes Senior Group at Annie's Cottage. Monroe was

known for his infectious laughter, his ability to make others smile, and his kind heart that never hesitated to help. He cherished road trips and cruises, often traveling with his trip buddies Henry and Carolyn Peterson and James and Delores Clark, always ensuring the vehicles were road ready. Monroe truly loved life and lived it to the fullest.

## Family and Legacy

Monroe was preceded in death by his parents, M.C. and Allean McClain, and his sister, Lena Mae McClain. He leaves to cherish his memory his devoted wife, Grenier McClain; children: Min. Monroe McClain, Jr. (Sandy), Elliott Williams (Stacy), and Dana Williams (Nechele); grandchildren: April Kelly (Demariel), Elliott Williams, Jr. (Gabby), Ellis Williams, Timothy McClain, Kiara McClain, Chyna Turner, Brianna McClain, Aidan Jenkins, Kai Jackson, Bailey Williams, and Blake Williams; great-grandchildren: Brandon Hennington, Kevin Jackson, Nevaeh Thomas-Wade, Adan Thomas-Wade, Thomas Williams, Egypt Williams, Lio Williams, Alijah McClain, Savior Scott, and Nariah McClain; along with a host of loving family and friends.

## A Life Well Lived

Monroe's life was a testament to faith, family, and joy. He loved God deeply, cherished his family, and embraced every moment with laughter and gratitude. His legacy of kindness, devotion, and love will live on in the hearts of all who knew him.

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."  
— 2 Timothy 4:7

# Cemetery Details

## Houston National Cemetery

10410 Veteran's Memorial Drive  
Houston, TX 77038

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 29. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church  
3826 Wheeler Avenue  
Houston, TX 77004

## Funeral Service

NOV 29. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Houston, TX 77004

## Interment

DEC 1. 10:15 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Signature Memorial Chapel - The Funeral Directors created a Webcast in memory of Mr. Monroe McClain*



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**Signature Memorial Chapel - The Funeral Directors** - November 29, 2025 at 12:32 PM



“ *Monroe was my bunkmate in basic training. It was a pleasure to know him and a sadness to learn of his passing.* James McClain

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**Mark McClain** - March 08 at 12:47 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mr. Monroe McClain.*



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November 29, 2025 at 11:11 AM

LJ

“ Love and prayers, Rev. Jeri Jackson purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Mr. Monroe McClain.



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**Love and prayers, Rev. Jeri Jackson** - November 28, 2025 at 10:32 AM

YH

“ Your security team, City hall purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Monroe McClain.



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**Your security team, City hall** - November 26, 2025 at 12:13 PM

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“ From Ann Green and the Class of 1965..Logansport Tigers/Purple and Gold!!!! To our Sister, Grinner, We know that God doesn't make mistakes but our Hearts are heavy right now!! Please know that we love you and are here for you! We will miss our brother, Monroe!!! So many memories!!! With love and prayers during these hard times!!!!

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**Ann Green** - November 24, 2025 at 02:42 PM

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“ Ann Green lit a candle in memory of Mr. Monroe McClain



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**Ann Green** - November 24, 2025 at 02:33 PM