



## Mr. Ralph McNair

December 14, 1941 - May 22, 2024

Ralph McNair was a hardworking craftsman, a fantastic husband, and a loving father. Born on December 14, 1941, in Pelahatchie, MS, to Lonnie and Isabella McNair.

Ralph, a student of McCall High School, embarked on a different path at a young age, driven by his unwavering commitment to family. His desire to be productive led him to master carpentry, earning him a reputation for meticulous attention to detail. Following this, he dedicated a decade of his life to the Stanwood Plant, a clothing manufacturer in Pelahatchie, before serving the Town of Pelahatchie until his retirement.

On May 8, 1964, Ralph wed his beloved sweetheart, Cora. Their journey was a model of companionship and shared joy. This union was blessed with a son, Raphael.

Ralph's spiritual journey began at a tender age when he joined the Farris Hill M.B. Church. By the time he was 22, he had been ordained as a Deacon. His unwavering commitment to his faith and the church community was evident in his 30-year tenure as Chairman of the Deacon Board, a position he held until his health declined.

He enjoyed life's simple pleasures. He was an avid outdoorsman, reveling in

fishing and hunting. He cherished time with family, particularly during gatherings where he shared food and captivating stories. Eating good food—crab legs, shrimp, fried fish and gumbo—brought him extreme delight.

Anyone who knew Ralph experienced his giant personality and passion for life. His family, friends, community, and the world are better because he was in it. On May 22, 2024, the man many cared for dearly slipped away in Pelahatchie, Mississippi.

Ralph was preceded in death by his parents; six siblings, Doyle McNair, Lonnie McNair Jr., Dennis Moore, Eva Grace Collier, Eli McNair, and Jimmy McNair; and two grandchildren, Rafael Neal and Jerry Cole Jr. Ralph is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Cora (Kate) McNair; his dutiful child, Raphael Dwayne McNair; four siblings: Doretha (L.C.) Rhodes, Michael Johnson, Shirley (George) Lay, and Yolanda McNair; two grandkids, Malik McNair and Darius McNair; and 14 great-grandchildren. He also leaves four Godchildren: Tanaka (Shun) Wilson, Veronica Collier, Xavion, and Damarion Snow; one daughter-in-law, Donna McNair; and a special niece, Yvonne Champion.

Ralph McNair's life was marked by dedication, skill, and an enduring love for family.

# Cemetery Details

## Farris Hill Cemetery

Pelahatchie , MS

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 1. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Dean Memorial Funeral Home  
745 Highway 468  
Brandon, MS 39042  
(601) 825-3884  
<https://deanmemorialfuneralhome.com/>

## Homegoing Service

JUN 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

Farris Hill M. B. Church  
P O Box 153  
Pelahatchie , MS 39145

# Tribute Wall



“ *Dean Memorial Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Mr. Ralph McNair*



Dean Memorial Funeral Home - May 29, 2024 at 08:13 PM



“ *Irene Johnson lit a candle in memory of Ralph McNair*



Irene Johnson - July 04, 2024 at 12:54 AM



“ *Patricia Myers-Robinson lit a candle in memory of Ralph McNair*



Patricia Myers-Robinson - June 22, 2024 at 04:03 AM

MD

“ To The family of Mr. Ralph McNair from Muffin Medical facility in Las Vegas Nevada the staff would like to express our condolence too, the family our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time Mrs. McNair I remember seeing you several years ago came as a guest singer at Ferris Hill Baptist Church in pelahatchie Mississippi it had been about 13 years ago I know you remember me I remember your son.. you guys remember me as (Muffin) Roger dale is my brother.. may the blessings of the Lord be with the family of Mr. Ralph McNair Owner's Mr. Mrs. Dr. Avery Daniels/ Kimla Williams-Daniels

Mr. & Mrs. Dr. Avery Daniels - June 08, 2024 at 09:39 PM

ET

“ Evelyn Tillis lit a candle in memory of Ralph McNair



Evelyn Tillis - June 04, 2024 at 12:20 AM

TF

“ The Lindsey-Wilson family purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Mr. Ralph McNair.



The Lindsey-Wilson family - May 30, 2024 at 11:18 PM

TF

“ The Lindsey-Wilson family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Mr. Ralph McNair.

The Lindsey-Wilson family - May 30, 2024 at 11:18 PM

MC

“ *martha collier lit a candle in memory of Ralph McNair*



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**martha collier** - May 30, 2024 at 10:00 PM

EY

“ *Eddie youngblood lit a candle in memory of Ralph McNair*



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**Eddie youngblood** - May 28, 2024 at 10:00 PM

CY

“ *Carolyn youngblood lit a candle in memory of Ralph McNair*



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**Carolyn youngblood** - May 28, 2024 at 09:59 PM

EA

“ *Eddie Ainsworth lit a candle in memory of Ralph McNair*



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**Eddie Ainsworth** - May 28, 2024 at 06:01 PM

MM

“ *Melinda Mack sent a virtual gift in memory of Ralph McNair*



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**Melinda Mack** - May 28, 2024 at 07:56 AM

OC

“ *May God give you strength and peace during this time of sorrow. Prayers to your family.*



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**Ocie Chatman** - May 27, 2024 at 07:32 PM

CY

“ *Carolyn youngblood lit a candle in memory of Ralph McNair*



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**Carolyn youngblood** - May 27, 2024 at 07:10 PM