



William E. McCagg

December 22, 1947 - May 21, 2024

William (Muggs) Eric McCagg, 76, of Ghent, NY passed away peacefully at Albany Medical Center on May 21st, 2024. He was a lifelong resident of Ghent and it is where he and his wife of nearly 47 years, Sheila, raised their two sons, Scott (Erica) and Steven (Dara). It is also where he joyfully got to watch his three grandchildren, Abigail, Noah, and Morgan, grow up.

William was predeceased by his four siblings, as well as his parents, Willard and Bernice McCagg.

William served in the United States Army and fought in the Vietnam War. He was the recipient of a National Defence Service medal, a Good Conduct medal, a Vietnam Campaign medal, and a Vietnam Service medal.

An avid mechanic all of his life, William also worked at numerous area businesses, including Columbia Tractor, Kinderhook Farm Supply, Capital Tractor, Keils Equipment, Rifenburg Construction, and he retired in 2012 from Anderson Equipment Company. William also spent a majority of his nights and weekends mowing/brush hogging and fixing tractors and other heavy/construction equipment, as co-owner of McCagg Mowing & Repair Inc. in Ghent, NY.

When he was not working, William enjoyed spending time with his family and many friends, whether it be at “the cabin”, in Forestport, NY, camping in his motorhome, vacationing in Fort Myers Beach Florida, or just sitting in “the barn” enjoying an ice cold Budweiser and a lucky strike.

A celebration of life will be held at a future date. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to a Veteran’s charity of your choosing.

Tribute Wall



“ *Muggsie, may you rest in peace! There are so many memories of the past with paths always crossing. Hope you greeted with a shiny new full tool box as you enter the pearly gates!* ”

Matthew Wakefield - June 03, 2024 at 10:40 PM

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“ *Condolences for the McCagg family. Fond memories of working with "Bill" at Kinderhook Farm Equip. Corp many years ago. John & Paula Scofield* ”

Paula Scofield - June 01, 2024 at 05:59 PM



“ *Condolences for the McCagg family. Many fond memories working with "Bill" at Kinderhook Farm Equipment Corp. many years ago. John & Paula Scofield.* ”

Paula Scofield - June 01, 2024 at 05:45 PM

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“ *When we think of Rick, his quick wit and spontaneous laughter is what we remember first & foremost then how he could work his magic with all sorts of engines. We are so thankful we had the privilege of knowing Rick. Super, all around nice guy. Our condolences go out to his wife and family. Dan & Cindy* ”

Cindy Bozik - June 01, 2024 at 10:03 AM

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“ *My condolences for Sheila and the family. You will be in my heart and prayers.* ”



Pat Belterman - May 25, 2024 at 05:28 AM

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“ *My heart goes out to Sheila and her family. You will all be in my prayers.* ”



Pat Belterman - May 23, 2024 at 05:43 AM