

Donald Hendry McCracken IINovember 10, 1943 - June 6, 2024

"Here I Am, Lord"

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading Wisdom 4:7-15

Responsorial Psalm Psalm 42 and 43

"My soul is thirsting for the living God: when shall I see him face to face?"

The Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

HOMILY

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Response: "Lord, hear our prayer."

CLOSING PRAYER

PRESIDER: Saints of God, come to his aid!

Hasten to meet him, angels of the Lord!

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO

GOD THE MOST HIGH.

PRESIDER: May Christ, who called you, take you to himself; and

may the angels lead you to the bosom of Abraham.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO

GOD THE MOST HIGH.

PRESIDER: Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let your

perpetual light shine upon him.

ASSEMBLY: RECEIVE HIS SOUL AND PRESENT HIM TO

GOD THE MOST HIGH.

"On Eagle's Wings"



Donald Hendry McCracken II, 80, of Beaumont, died Thursday, June 6, 2024. He was born on November 10, 1943, in Buffalo, New York.

Don graduated from Beaumont High School. Then following in his father's footsteps of military service, Don enlisted in the United States Navy pursuing a career as a naval aviator. After basic training and advanced flight training, Don would deploy to support war efforts in the Vietnam War aboard the

Bon Homme Richard (CVA 31). After serving his tours as a carrier pilot, Don returned to Coronado, Ca. and continued in the Navy reserves while he returned to school and earned his law degree and then practiced civil law. After years in California, Don then returned to Beaumont to be with his family. While in Beaumont he retired from the reserves at the esteemed rank of Lt. Commander. He then began a career as an officer in a Trust Department conducting estate planning until he retired.

Survivors include his son, D.J. McCracken; grandson, Axel McCracken and Garrett Singleton; brother, Joey Catalano; and stepdaughters, Charlotte Singleton and her husband, Michael Calcote, and Cheryl McKinzie and her wife, Kim Cornelius.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Ruth Farrell and Dr. Russell Joseph Catalano, Sr.; wife, Bonnie Shelley McCracken; and sister, Robbie Catalano Stephens.



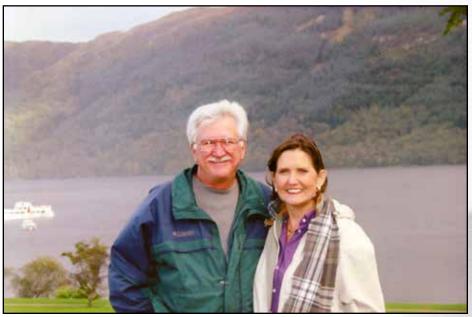
"Lord please bless me with style, grace, and class until the day I die."

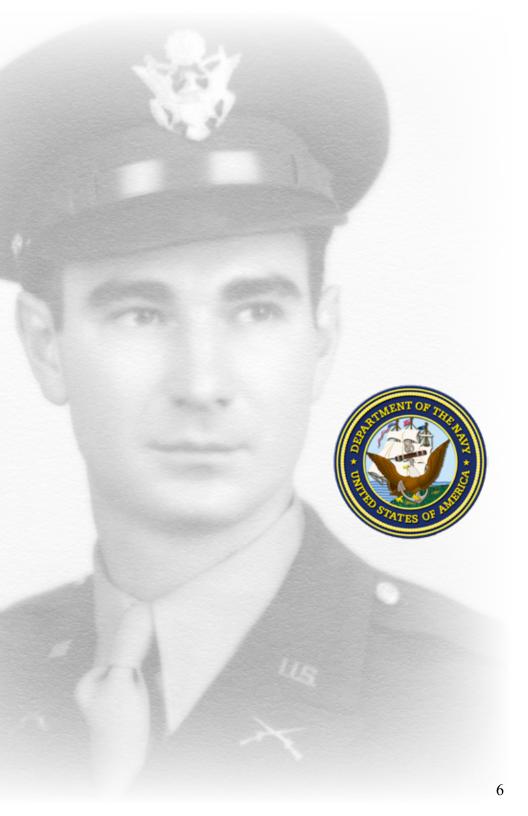
- Don McCracken













Memorial Service

Saturday, June 15, 2024 11:00 a.m.
Broussard's Chapel
Beaumont, Texas
Reverend Valentine Mayaka

Inurnment

Forest Lawn Memorial Park Beaumont, Texas

Military Honors

United States Navy Southeast Texas Veterans Service Group

Memorial Contributions

The Wounded Warrior Project P.O. Box 758516 Topeka, Kansas 66675

