



## Monta Ray "Mack" McClellan

September 30, 1947 - November 18, 2024

Monta Ray "Mack" McClellan, age 77, of Ozark, Arkansas, passed away Monday, November 18, 2024 in Jethro America north of Ozark. He was born September 30, 1947 in Altus, Arkansas to Monta "Mun" McClellan and Mary Gelene McLaughlin McClellan. Mack was a Vietnam era veteran and served four years in the United States Army. He liked his beer, liked to hunt and fish, and was a successful fur trapper for many years. He worked for the Ozark Water Treatment plant as an operator, Arkansas State Forest Service as a Fire Plow Operator, a self-employed Poultry farmer for 16 years, and was a Union Millwright member of Local 216 working retrofits at Nuclear Power Plants all over the continental United States. Above all, Mack loved his family and was intensely protective of them. In Mack's final days, he accepted Christ as his personal Savior and was baptized.

Mack is preceded in death by his parents, Monta "Mun" and Mary Gelene McClellan

Mack is survived by his wife of 53 years, Sandra McClellan; one daughter, Jill Newsom and husband Chris of Ozark; two granddaughters, Kirstyn Mayner and husband Lawson of Ozark and Caitlyn Newsom of Ozark; one grandson, Austin Newsom and wife Emilie of Ozark; one brother, Joe McClellan and wife Debbie of Ozark; one sister, Sherry McClellan of Ozark; one great granddaughter; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Visitation will be 6:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M., Thursday, November 21, 2024 at Shaffer Funeral Home, 2315 West Commercial Street in Ozark.

Graveside service will be 10:00 A.M., Friday, November 22, 2024 at Brannon Mountain Cemetery in Brannon, Arkansas, with Brother Randy Weed and Brother Steve Sawrie officiating, with burial at Brannon Mountain Cemetery.

Serving as pallbearers will be Chris Newsom, Lawson Mayner, David Fink, David Bowles Sr., Landon McClellan, and George Fink. Serving as honorary pallbearers will be Raymond Stapp, Austin Newsom, Gerald Parrish, JC Parrish, Paul Stacy, Rich Vunderlich, Kabel Robbins, Sam Wald, Allan Ellison, and Willie Joe Jones.

In lieu of flowers that family asks that donations be made to the St. Jude Children's Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place Memphis, TN 38105.

To leave an online memorial visit [www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com](http://www.shafferfuneralhomeweb.com)

# Cemetery Details

## Brannon Mountain Cemetery

Brannon, AR

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **21**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Shaffer Funeral Home  
2315 West Commercial Street  
PO Box 680  
Ozark, AR 72949  
(479) 667-4147  
shafferfuneralhome@gmail.com

## Graveside Service

NOV **22**. 10:00 AM.

Brannon Mountain Cemetery  
Brannon, AR

## Burial

NOV **22**.

Brannon Mountain Cemetery  
Brannon, AR



# Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Monta Ray "Mack" McClellan.

November 25, 2024 at 07:33 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Slideshow



**Byron Lasater V** - November 25, 2024 at 09:38 AM



“ Our family was happy to have known Mack ! My father in law and Hank enjoyed trapping with him I have understood them to say Jill trapped right along beside him. He will never be forgotten, always remembered!!

**Lela McLaughlin** - November 22, 2024 at 11:47 AM



“ Becky K Penland lit a candle in memory of Monta McClellan



**Becky K Penland** - November 21, 2024 at 06:02 AM

NC

“ Nancy Campbell lit a candle in memory of Monta McClellan



Nancy Campbell - November 20, 2024 at 10:27 PM

GE

“ So many years, so many wonderful memories. Much of the time, David and Mack were practically joined at the hip. Taking care of turkeys, cutting and hauling hay, hunting, trapping, and fishing. Then there was the camping, cookouts, birthdays and domino games where me, Sandra and the kids were all in it with them. No one could ask for better friends. Mack will be missed, but his memory lives on in our hearts and minds. Sandra, Jill, Chris, Kirstyn, Lawson and Caitlyn, my thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Gwin Ellison - November 20, 2024 at 09:07 PM

CE

“ Uncle Mack was a true Mountain Man and he always had a great sense of humor. I can hear him say Redbone from a mile away.

Chris Eldridge - November 20, 2024 at 06:15 PM

WD

“ Wayne and June Drain purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Monta Ray "Mack" McClellan.



Wayne and June Drain - November 20, 2024 at 05:23 PM

LS

“ *Libby Stapp lit a candle in memory of Monta McClellan*



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**Libby Stapp** - November 20, 2024 at 11:19 AM

SS

“ *Ray and I were so blessed to have know Mack and his family. We had so much fun getting together and have cookouts. Mack could fry up the best fish and hush puppies. He always made welcome anyone that entered his home. We will surely miss his smiling face. We loved him so much along with Sandra and the rest of the family.*



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**Sue and Ray Stapp** - November 20, 2024 at 12:34 AM

JF

“ *Janice kelly and family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Monta Ray "Mack" McClellan.*



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**Janice kelly and family** - November 19, 2024 at 10:36 PM

JF

“ *I have good memories of Mack. We were in school together. He was nice and fun to talk to. I considered him my friend. I haven't seen him in years, but will always remember him fondly. So glad to read that he became a Christian.*

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**Janie Ford** - November 19, 2024 at 10:29 PM

MS

“ *I loved that man! We joked our way through lots of years. Sandra, I hate to hear of Mack's death. I will keep you, Jill, and the rest of your family in my thoughts through this difficult time. Mary Schaffer*

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**Mary Schaffer** - November 19, 2024 at 09:33 PM

CE

“ *My prayers and thoughts go out for you and your family. So so sorry for your loss.*



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**Candace Ervin** - November 19, 2024 at 09:06 PM