



## Mr. James A. "Speed" McDonald

January 13, 1940 - March 31, 2012

Mr. James A. "Speed" McDonald, 72, of Sumner died Saturday March 31, 2012 at his residence as a result of an accident.

The graveside services will be held at 11:00 AM on Tuesday April 3, 2012 at the McDonald Family Cemetery.

Mr. McDonald was born on January 13, 1940 to the late Dan and Ethelma Paulk McDonald in Worth County where he has lived all his life. Mr. McDonald was a self-employed electrician and a graduate of Sumner High School Class of 1959 and later graduated from Moultrie Technical College. He was a member of the Young Farmers Association, enjoyed working with his dogs, and loved mullet fishing, dancing and conversation with his friends.

Survivors include his wife Karen Hawkins McDonald of Sumner; son, Greg McDonald (Merreann) of Bainbridge; grandchildren, Taylor, Grant and Brandi McDonald; brothers, Thomas McDonald (Ginger) of Sumner, Glen McDonald (Doris) of Sumner; sisters, Linda Adams of Hoschtou, Melba Knight (Clark) of Tifton and Karen Roberts (Lee) of Albany.

Family will receive friends at their residence, 336 Chapman Rd. Sumner, GA., or immediately following the graveside services Tuesday.

For those desiring memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society, 323 Pine Ave. Albany, GA., 31701 or to your favorite charity.

Sign our online guest registry at [www.banksfh.com](http://www.banksfh.com)

Banks Funeral Home in Sylvester is in charge of the arrangements.

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. James A. "Speed" McDonald*

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January 28, 2023 at 12:53 PM



“ *Karen, my heart hurts for you. I know that Speed loved you so much. I always enjoyed hearing his stories and that laughter was contagious. He was always cheerful and helpful with anything and everything. He will be missed by all. Love Charlotte Jolley*

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**Charlotte Jolley** - May 14, 2018 at 04:45 PM



“ *Mrs. Karen & Family,*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you. We couldn't believe it when we heard the news yesterday. We had visited with you & Mr. Speedy on Thursday and enjoyed ourselves as we always did. He left with his newspaper and thanked us for looking after him. I will always remember that he preferred a day old donut to a fresh one and loved to read the Historical newspapers. He was a good man and will be missed by many.*

*Ronald, Chris, and Sandy*

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**Tifton Winlectric** - May 14, 2018 at 04:45 PM

LH

“ So sorry to hear about Mr. Speed. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. My mom always speaks of Speed with such fondness. Greg, yesterday before I heard the news, I was talking to my god-daughter Chelsea, who will be honored next week at ABAC, about our honors day program when you stood up for me and I stood up for you since our families were unable to attend. How strange life can be. Momma called me last night about your dad. Please know I am thinking about you all.

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**Laura Hannon** - May 14, 2018 at 04:45 PM

TH

“ Karen, My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. May God bless you and hold you close.

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**Terry Hawkins** - May 14, 2018 at 04:45 PM

JS

“ Karen and Family we so sorry for your loss of Speed. We know that he will be greatly missed, but leaves behind many good memories for you to cherish.

*Jimmy & Gail Snipes*

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**Jimmy & Gail Snipes** - May 14, 2018 at 04:45 PM

BS

“ Karen, I am very sorry for your loss. Speed was one of those guys you knew you could count on for a laugh, conversation, or fishing. Will never forget the fishfry we had when I worked at the Health Dept. It was a wonderful day! My prayers and comfort are sent to you.

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**BOBBIE ST.CLAIR** - May 14, 2018 at 04:45 PM

CK

“ Karen, So sorry to hear of your loss. May God be with you and your family.

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**Cheryl (Reynolds) Kennedy** - May 14, 2018 at 04:45 PM

GH

“ Greg,

*Brenda and I were saddened to learn today of the loss of your father. You spoke of him often and I felt like I knew him as well.*

*Our hearts go out to you and the family. May your faith sustain you during this most difficult of times.*

*Gean & Brenda Hendrix*

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**Gean & Brenda Hendrix** - May 14, 2018 at 04:45 PM

MS

“ Karen, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. We pray GOD's sweet comfort all around you now, and in the day's ahead.

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**Marsha Watson Gandy & Dawn Dupree Stone** - May 14, 2018 at 04:45 PM



“ Mrs. Karen,  
*I was so saddened by the news of Mr. Speeds passing. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

*Laura Watson*

*VFW Post 4825 Sylvester*

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April 04, 2012 at 12:00 AM