



## John Palmer McConnell Sr.

October 2, 1934 - January 25, 2023

On the morning of Wednesday, January 25th, 2023, Jack McConnell died at the age of 88 in Orlando Florida. Jack was born to Palmer Bennett McConnell and Ione Estelle (Kreiss) McConnell in Appleton Wisconsin in 1934. He graduated from Neenah High School in 1952 and earned his bachelor's degree from Miami of Ohio University. Jack served in the Army and was called up during the Cuban Missile Crisis. Jack worked almost a half century as a highly successful marketing manager with IBM. Jack married Wanda Orman in 1969. In 1971, Jack and Wanda relocated from Charleston, West Virginia to Altamonte Springs, Florida, where they lived until his passing.

Like his parents, Jack was an avid tennis player and golfer. The family played golf for many years at Sable Point Country Club. He was also a lifelong Chicago Cubs and Green Bay Packers fan occasionally donning a cheese head for the football games. He was a committed husband and loving father with a great sense of humor and a drive to succeed. He will be fondly remembered constantly snapping photographs as well as singing Elvis Presley songs while driving around town.

Jack was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife Wanda, and three sons, John Jr (Wendy), Richard, Daniel (Marchelle), and six grandchildren Joe Jackson (Jen), Kyle, Allison, Evie, Jack, and Griffin McConnell. He is also survived by his sister, Susan Joan (McConnell) Carlson

(Marv), nieces and a nephew.

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

FEB **25**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Maitland Presbyterian Church  
341 N. Orlando Avenue  
Maitland, FL 32751

# Tribute Wall

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“ A commercial for Palm Springs resulted in a flashback to the mid-1980's, working in an IBM Branch office in Orlando, and the entire management team attending an award's conference there. I was a flight seat companion with Jack McConnell and we enjoyed spending time with Dale Trusock. On the last morning of the mostly business conference and before our return flight to Orlando from LA, Dale decided we were too close to Beverly Hills not to spend a few last hours taking in that highlight. She decided to rent a car and conspired with Jack and me to skip out of the last agenda, drive through Beverly Hills and make tourist stops in venues like Grauman's Chinese Theater. It was a great team building experience for us. My first flashback resulted in finding Jack's obituary. In my attempt to make sure I spelled Dale's last name correctly, I was surprised to learn she too had already passed. I'm duplicating this narration on both tribute pages simply because my only trip to Palm Springs brought back fond memories of that IBM trip and my adventurous behavior with both Jack and Dale. My belated thoughts to their families and many career friends.

Glenn Martin Olsen, Tampa - June 20, 2023 at 01:32 PM

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“ Kristin Carlson & Jill Patyk purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of John Palmer McConnell Sr..



Kristin Carlson & Jill Patyk - February 23, 2023 at 04:30 PM

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“ *My sincerest condolences to the McConnell Family. I have so many fond memories of spending time with Rick, Dan, and Scooby. Mr. McConnell always made us neighborhood kids feel welcomed in your home. Hosted game nights and ordered pizza for us, got us to the lake every weekend to enjoy your family's boat, trips to the local hobby store to check out the newest Sierra/Ultima and/or role playing games. He was so generous in helping me get my very first home PC. Much love to your family,*  
*George Elias*

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**George Elias** - February 21, 2023 at 09:56 PM

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“ *Love Jen Merchut (Carlson) & Dan Carlson purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of John Palmer McConnell Sr..*



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**Love Jen Merchut (Carlson) & Dan Carlson** - February 20, 2023 at 02:52 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of John Palmer McConnell Sr..*



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February 20, 2023 at 02:24 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of John Palmer McConnell Sr..



February 19, 2023 at 09:59 PM



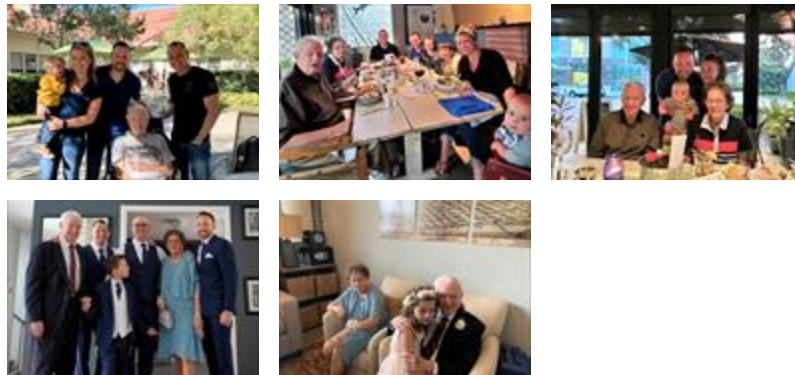
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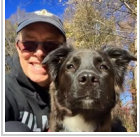
Rick McConnell - February 16, 2023 at 11:25 PM



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Dan McConnell - February 15, 2023 at 02:30 PM



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**John McConnell** - February 12, 2023 at 01:00 PM



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**John McConnell** - February 10, 2023 at 01:29 PM