



## Claude McLain

December 25, 1901 - December 26, 2003

CLAUDE J. McLAIN, age 102, died Friday, December 26, 2003 at Sunrise Assisted Living at Hunter Mill, Oakton, Virginia.

He was born December 25, 1901 in Silver Lake, Missouri, the eldest of 11 children. Mr. McLain began a career in the dairy business in 1922. He joined the Farmers Creamery in Fredericksburg as Vice President of Production in 1943. When Farmers Creamery acquired Birmingham Dairy in Manassas after World War II, he accepted the Presidency of the Birmingham Dairy. The Birmingham Dairy became a part of Alexandria Dairy and when the Manassas operation closed in 1965 he continued on a part-time basis with Shenandoah's Pride in Springfield until 1970. There he became "Mr. Mac" the School Teacher; and conducted plant tours for almost 12,000 school children each year. After retiring from the dairy, he became Executive Director of the Manassas Association for Retarded Citizens. In Fredericksburg, he was President of the Kiwanis Club of which he was a lifetime member. He was President of the Manassas Chamber of Commerce and President of the Manassas Kiwanis Club. He originated the idea for the Prince William Hospital and served on its Board of Directors until recent years. He has also served on the Metropolitan Washington United Way Board of Directors and was Regional Chairman of the Prince William County United Way campaign. He has also served as Chapter Chairman and on the Board of the Prince William American Red Cross. He was a member of All Saints Catholic Church and a fourth

degree member of the Knights of Columbus.

Survivors include his son, John D. McLain and his wife, Florence of McLean, Virginia, one sister, Marie Marshall of St. Louis, Missouri and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends from 7:00-9:00 P.M. Tuesday, December 30, 2003 at Price Funeral Home, 9609 Center Street, Manassas where a rosary will be said at 8:00 P.M. The funeral liturgy will be offered 10:00 A.M. Wednesday, December 31, 2003 at All Saints Catholic Church, 9300 Stonewall Road, Manassas. Interment will follow at Stonewall Memory Gardens, Manassas.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may take the form of contributions to Hospice of Northern Virginia, 9300 Lee Highway, Suite 500, Fairfax, Virginia 22031-1207 or All Saints Catholic Church, 9300 Stonewall Road, Manassas, Virginia 20110 in memory of Claude J. McLain.

Condolences may be sent to [www.pricefh.com](http://www.pricefh.com).

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“ *My deepest sympathies. Claude was a dear man that I came to know first through the Northwest Manassas Community Association, and later as a member of All Saints and a Brother Knight of Columbus. He was a remarkable person in every way and his leadership in the Manassas community in bringing about Prince William Hospital should never be forgotten. He was a Knight of Columbus for more than 80 years! I will miss him.....*

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