



James "Jim" Andrew McCrary

October 21, 1943 - July 2, 2025

James Andrew ("Jim") McCrary, 81, of Conway, SC, passed away peacefully on July 2, 2025, after a brief illness.

The son of James Luther McCrary and Sally Marie Munsey McCrary, Jim, was born in 1943 in Kingsport, TN, and attended high school in Gate City, VA. As a teenager, he joined the Air Force, serving at Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Mississippi. After serving as part of the 622nd Air Refueling Squadron (TAC), he returned to Northeast Tennessee and eventually began work at Holliston Mills, launching a long career in sales for the textile industry. A longtime Willie Nelson fan, Jim took seriously Willie's call to get "On the Road Again." As he built his career, he lived in Columbus, Chicago, and Charlotte before settling back in Kingsport. While his home base returned to Kingsport, his work had him traveling the country and even the world, from flights to Asia and Europe to long drives up and down the eastern seaboard and across the Midwest as he worked to make connections with customers and colleagues.

After decades of work on the road, Jim moved to Conway, SC in 2017 to spend time with his wife and his son's family. After retiring in 2020, his last years were filled with good food, the laughter of his grandson, and the companionship of his wife, Vicki.

Jim is survived by Vicki McCrary, his wife of 44 years, as well as three children

and their families: Jamie Caldwell and husband, Gary; Andrea McCrary and husband Adam; and Drew McCrary and wife, Megan, as well as three grandchildren, Rayne, Zuri, and Tripp. He is also survived by one sister, Martha Caperton, brother-in-law Shannon Gott, several nieces and nephews, including Jenniffer Valk and Elizabeth Gott, and several great-nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, Jim is preceded in death by his sister Marie McCrary Wood and his father-in-law, GW Gott.

A small family graveside service will take place at Hillcrest Cemetery in Conway, SC, on Sunday, July 6, at 1 pm. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital.

Watson Funeral Services and Crematory, 2300 Hwy 378, Conway, SC is serving the family.

To send a flower arrangement in memory of James Andrew "Jim" McCrary, please [click here](#) to visit our sympathy store.

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Cemetery Details

Hillcrest Cemetery

1000 Hwy 544
Conway, SC 29526
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office@hillcrestcemetery.com
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Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ We are so very sorry about the passing of Jim. We had some really good times working together and just being friends. Vicky, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Much Love,
Linda and John Abbott/Johnson City, TN

Linda Abbott - July 11, 2025 at 11:43 AM