



Mr. William Henry Mack, Sr.

January 20, 2022 - January 20, 2022

Mack's Life Story

William Henry Mack, Sr., affectionately known as “Mack” and “Coach Mack”, was born on Friday, August 15, 1947, in Chase City, Virginia to Garnett Mack (1912-1978) and Suzanna Gayle Mack (1911-1983). On the morning of Thursday, January 20, 2022, he peacefully transitioned to eternal life at the Washington, D.C. VA Medical Center.

He spent most of his childhood in Washington, D.C with his mother and older brother, Roland. During the summer months, they would return to Chase City, VA to join with the rest of the family. He enjoyed going to the matinee to watch cowboy movies, so he'd work various jobs, including picking cotton, to earn money. He was a devoted Boy Scout. Another highlight of his trips back to his home state would be to attend their annual Virginia State Fair.

In 1960, he enrolled in Anacostia High School in Southeast Washington, D.C., where he grew up. While there, he became a member of the Anacostia Indians' basketball team, along with Curtis R. Perry, who went on to become a professional NBA power forward for the Milwaukee Bucks and the Phoenix Suns. His love of sports was so evident to those who knew him, so much so that he spent 32 years of involvement in youth football. In 1984, he became a part of the Kettering/Largo/Mitchellville Boys' & Girls' Club football program,

eventually becoming the football commissioner, drawing young men from around the area into one of the winningest, well-respected programs in Prince George's County. In later years, he founded the KLM Steelers Football/Cheer Programs.

He was drafted into the United States Army, undergoing basic training in October 1966 at the Fort Benning Army Base in Fort Benning, Georgia, and became an Expert Marksman. He was deployed to Vietnam from 1966 through 1968 and was awarded several purple hearts during those years. He was one of the first veterans to use the G.I. Bill to attend Southeastern University from 1968 through 1972, earning a degree in Business Administration/Accounting. As a result, Mack built a successful accounting practice as a tax preparer to an impressive roster of clients, including many in the music industry. In addition, since 1989, he was the owner of BHM Contractors, Inc., a firm that specializes in storm drain management, boarding up and maintenance of over 3,500 houses in the county, and maintaining properties under the Marion Barry administration in Washington, D.C. From 2003 through 2012, he was appointed as an Alcoholic Beverage Inspector for Prince George's County, Md. Mack was involved in assisting many campaigns in delivery of Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets to those in need.

In 1972, Mack met the love of his life, the former Bobbie Sue Cummings, while employed at the Washington Gas Light Company. On Valentine's Day of 1976, they were wed in holy matrimony (forty-five years of marriage and not one day of regret). In August of 1978, they were blessed with the birth of their son, William Henry Mack, Jr., affectionately known as "Billy". Mack had such a special and enduring love for his family. There are so many fond memories of him throughout the years. A great example is that, each Christmas, Bobbie's younger siblings eagerly awaited his arrival with silver dollars for all! His beloved mother-in-law, the late Eula M. Cummings, could always count on him to bring her cases of Pepsi, her favorite soft drink.

William Henry Mack, Sr. was the youngest brother to Wray Mannie Mack, Dr. Garnett Mack, Beatrice Mack, Louise Mack, Toyee Mack, Tommie Mack and Roland Mack (Jean), who all preceded him in death. He leaves to cherish his memories, his beloved wife of 45 years, Bobbie S. Mack his son, William H. Mack, Jr., his grandson Sir William H. Mack, III, special nieces Melinda Mack and Alice Chamberlain, special nephews Roland and Kevin Mack, a host of other nieces, nephews, relatives and friends, along with his dearest longtime friend, Rev. Robert Holliday.

Cemetery Details

Arlington National Cemetery

1 Memorial Ave
ARLINGTON, VA 22211

Previous Events

Public Viewing

FEB 12. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Pope Funeral Home Forestville Chapel
5538 MARLBORO PIKE
FORESTVILLE, MD 20747

Funeral Service

FEB 12. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pope Funeral Homes created a Webcast in memory of Mr. William Henry Mack, Sr.*



Pope Funeral Homes - February 12, 2022 at 10:55 AM

SW

My deepest condolences to the family of Mr. Mack. Your life was shared with us who worked with your wonderful wife Bobbie. We never met but you must have been a gentle Giant to those who new you! Rest in peace! To God be the Glory!

Sincerely,

Shelia

shelia white - February 12, 2022 at 12:06 PM

AP

Mr. Mack, you are gone way to soon, but I am thankful that God show us through you one can be a soft-spoken giant with a very kind hearth. May you rest in peace. Mrs. William and family, my prayers are with you. I know the Lord will send Angels in your mist to comfort the family in this time of morning.

*My best,
Adrielle Preval*

Adrielle Preval - March 29, 2022 at 05:29 PM



“ *Mr. William Henry Mack, Sr.*

January 28, 2023 at 02:13 PM



“ *Mr. William Henry Mack, Sr.*

January 28, 2023 at 10:26 AM



“ *To the entire Mack family, we thank you for your service to the Kettering Largo community and for all the souls you touched. Our family is with you during this most difficult time and pray for eternal peace to Coach Mack.*

The Osborne Family

Daniel Osborne - February 12, 2022 at 11:14 AM



“ *Coach T. Sanford lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Henry Mack, Sr.*



Coach T. Sanford - February 12, 2022 at 09:32 AM



“ *Coach Ted Sanford Sr.. lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Henry Mack, Sr.*



Coach Ted Sanford Sr.. - February 11, 2022 at 08:51 PM

MR

“ *Bobbie and Billy, so sorry to hear of the passing of your husband & father; as well as our coach and tax preparer. Mr. Mack will be truly missed. Thank you Mr. Mack for all you did for the Kettering/Largo Boys & Girls Club. Rest In Peace Mr. Mack.*



May GOD comfort & strengthen the family at this time of sorrow.

Michael & Maxine Richardson - February 11, 2022 at 05:33 PM

PJ

“ *My condolences to the family. I never met Mr. Mack but I felt like I knew him from working with Bobbie Mack for years. Her love, respect and admiration for him always came through when she talked about him.*

Perry Johnson - February 11, 2022 at 12:24 PM

WG

“ *Willie Garrett lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Henry Mack, Sr.*



Willie Garrett - February 11, 2022 at 02:01 AM

GL

“ *Mr Mack was my tax preparer fir many years. He was the tax preparer for just about my whole family and some of my friends too. He is and will surely be missed by us all. My You Rest Peaceful with Our Lord and Savior.*

Gwendolyn Lee - February 08, 2022 at 10:35 AM

GL

“ Gwendolyn Lee lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Henry Mack, Sr.



Gwendolyn Lee - February 06, 2022 at 07:58 PM

RW

“ Mr. Mack was a pillar of the Kettering Largo community. One of the nicest people on the earth. He always greeted you with a smile. We appreciate you!!

Rashad Wilson - February 03, 2022 at 12:21 PM

MB

“ Mr. Mack will always be remembered as a kind and professional person. I worked with him in Kettering Boys & Girls club and also with Prince Georges County Supplier Diversity Division.R. I.P. Mr. Mack; you will be missed.

Mary Joyner Baty - February 02, 2022 at 09:56 PM

MB

“ Mary Joyner Baty lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Henry Mack, Sr.



Mary Joyner Baty - January 31, 2022 at 10:02 PM

KN

“ *Kim Neal lit a candle in memory of Mr. William Henry Mack, Sr.*



Kim Neal - January 30, 2022 at 11:58 PM

BJ

“ *My cousin William and I use to play in the yard as kids in Chase City Virginia. I remember my grandmother had an old wring dryer that you turn the crank to dry clothes and William got his arm broken after putting his arm too far into the dryer pulling out clothes from the other side. This had to be 60 years ago.*



Cousin Barbara

Barbara Jones - January 30, 2022 at 10:04 PM

CS

Rest In Peace Mr Mack (Alumini Brother and Vegas Raider Brother)... You were a Inspiration to My Son and Daughter of the KLM STEELERS Family...As a Coach I will miss your calm demeanor and wise advice you gave me...May God Bless Your Peaceful Rest...

Coach Ted Sanford Sr.. - February 11, 2022 at 04:54 PM

RW

May God bless your gentle soul. I will always remember your wonderful demeanor as a young person growing up in Chase City Virginia. May God comfort your hearts Bobbie and Billy and bring joy through your sorrow. Rest in peace my cousin for there is no more pain or sorrow.

Rev Gloria Woodard - February 14, 2022 at 11:26 AM

DL

Mr Mack was my tax preparer for over thirty years. I was saddened to learn of his passing. To the family; please accept my sincere sympathy and may God comfort you during this time of bereavement.

Debra Lee-Anderson

Debra Lee-Anderson - March 01, 2022 at 10:41 AM