



## Jack McNeal

March 19, 1935 - September 29, 2020

Jack passed on Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at Saint Francis Hospital, Tulsa. He was surrounded by his family. Jack was preceded in death by his wife, Jolene. He is survived by his daughters, Sherry Hill (Roger), Debra Sallis (Chuck), Donna Ohler (Chris) and the only boy, Michael McNeal (Stefanie.) He has three grandkids, Katie Sallis, Mac Sallis and Suzanne Wyatt (Taylor.) He also has a great-granddaughter, Jade Ann Futrel, who lovingly referred to him as “Big Dog.”

Jack was born on March 19, 1935 in Drumright, Oklahoma to Eugene Byron McNeal and Katherine Josephine (Wheeler) McNeal. He was the baby of the family with two older sisters and a half brother.

The McNeals lived in Drumright for a while before moving to East 13th Street in Tulsa. Jack attended Tulsa Central High School until his junior year. The summer prior to his senior year found him in Russell, Kansas hauling hay. He absolutely loved the Russell/Dorrance/Wilson area of Kansas. For his senior year, with the permission of his mom and dad, he lived with a local family to graduate from Dorrance High School

It was there that he met Jolene Schneider, a young lady attending high school in the next town, Wilson. Jack graduated from Dorrance High School in 1953. Jolene graduated from Wilson High School in 1954 and they were married in Wilson on November 5, 1954.

Jack and Jolene lived in Russell for several years while Jack worked for Quima Dairy. Jack was a Kansan at heart. He loved to visit the area and his

last trip there was to attend his high school reunion last summer.

In about 1959, they moved to Tulsa and lived with Jack's mother on 13th Street for a short time before moving to the burgeoning suburb of north Tulsa. Jack and Jolene lived on North St. Louis until 1973, then moving to Owasso. Jack worked for Glencliffe Dairy in Tulsa, then as a shipping supervisor at Jorgensen Steel on Pine Street in Tulsa. He retired from Jorgensen in 1995. Jack had many hobbies and interests. He was a Boy Scout leader, even though he didn't have any boys. He was a Tulsa Auxiliary police officer. And then there was his passion ... Tulsa cycling. He would stay involved in cycling until the very end of his life.

Michael was 7 when Jack bought him a BMX bicycle and that was the start of it all. Soon Jack and Jolene opened Wheels of Owasso, their bike shop, and worked there fixing bikes evenings and weekends while he continued to work at Jorgensen. Jack was a fixture on Freewheel, driving the Wheels of Owasso van, providing mechanic services for the riders.

Jack held many officialship positions with USA Cycling, including being the state representative, approving every cyclist's license category upgrades. He was always at the local and state races, fulfilling many duties, including that of chief referee. He was very involved with the Bicycle Racing Association of Oklahoma was serving as treasurer at his death.

Jack loved cycling and the cycling community loved him. He made an impact on everyone, from beginners to senior riders. Everyone knew and respected Jack for his fairness and impartiality. Many say Jack was instrumental in making Oklahoma cycling what it is today, and for that his family is very, very proud.

Services for Jack will be held on Monday, October 5th at Hayhurst Funeral Home, 1660 S. Elm Place, Broken Arrow at 11:00 a.m. Visitation will be at Hayhurst on Sunday, October 4th, from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting contributions be directed to Bicycle Racing Association of Oklahoma (BRAOK) in memory of Jack McNeal. Please make your check payable to the Tulsa Community Foundation, 7030 S. Yale,

Suite 600, Tulsa, OK, 74136. Please include the memo "In Memory of Jack McNeal."

BRAOK promotes cycling to improve the quality of life for all within Oklahoma.

# Cemetery Details

## Park Grove Cemetery

1000 W. Houston St.  
Broken Arrow, OK 74012  
(918) 259-8691

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 4. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Hayhurst Funeral Home  
1660 South Elm Place  
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## Viewing

OCT 4. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jack McNeal*

October 23, 2023 at 01:21 AM



“ *Jack was just an amazing giving man. I enjoyed knowing him through cycling but also in our mutual interests in his health. He always had a straight forward sincere way with a smile. He gave so much to cycling and was a pleasure to engage in conversation. He will be missed by so many.*  
*Mike Wilhelm*

**Mike Wilhelm** - October 07, 2020 at 08:55 PM



“ *My condolences to the McNeal's family. Jack -thank you for sharing your passion of cycling with each and everyone of us. Thank you for your kindness as it rides along with us through our journey of life. May we all lead with kindness set as an example by Jack McNeal.*

*Jack, the Falletti's & the Barrick's want to thank you for all of your help, love, support, and kindness. It was such a honor knowing you. We all gained an Angel today.*

*Thank you for ringing the bell as the last lap was taken. The Last ring rings for you.*

*Namaste, Jack.*

*Danna Barrick*

**Danna Barrick** - October 05, 2020 at 09:50 PM

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“ My condolences to Mike and Family. Jack was so instrumental the in Oklahoma cycling community, always giving of his time and expertise. We admired his calm demeanor, gentle and kind to all he encountered. He means so much to so many. RIP, Jack.  
Brad Petty

Brad Petty - October 05, 2020 at 01:10 PM

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“ Team Soundpony purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Jack McNeal.



Team Soundpony - October 04, 2020 at 10:14 AM

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“ It was my pleasure to know both Jack and Jolene. I always looked forward to seeing them at family get together,s. I know Jack to be a man who loved his family. My love and prayers are with his family.

beverly ohler - October 03, 2020 at 12:01 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jack McNeal.



October 03, 2020 at 08:24 AM



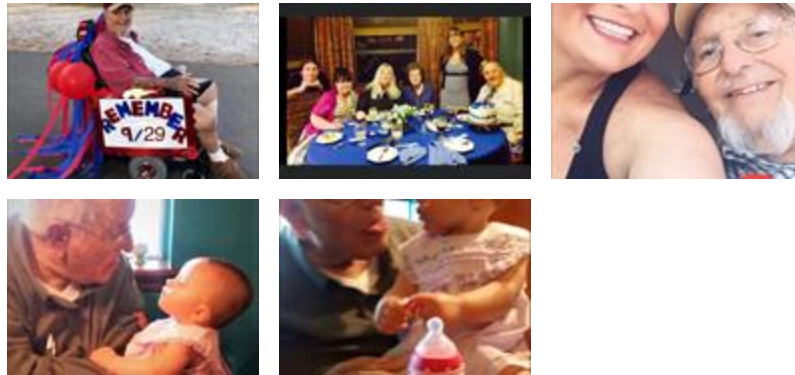
“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Jack McNeal.* ”



October 02, 2020 at 07:28 PM



“ *We love you Big Dog.* ”



**Katie Sallis** - October 02, 2020 at 06:33 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jack McNeal.* ”



October 02, 2020 at 05:46 PM

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“ Jack served as a surrogate father to so many. He will be missed dearly. I loved Jack as did so many. He will be missed in the cycling community but also as a loving, caring, supportive man of great integrity.

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**Angela Barnes** - September 30, 2020 at 11:56 AM

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“ It is our honor and privilege to serve the McNeal family and to provide this permanent tribute website in memory of Jack.



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**Hayhurst Funeral Home** - September 30, 2020 at 09:28 AM