



Boyce Coe McQuay

December 23, 1935 - November 4, 2019

Boyce Coe McQuay, 83 year old resident of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, died on November 4, 2019 at Circle of Life Hospice in Springdale, Arkansas. Boyce was born December 23, 1935 in Grubbs, Arkansas, to Parvin and Lillian Webb McQuay, who preceded him in death. He graduated from Wellston High School in St. Louis, Missouri, earned a Bachelor's degree in Building Construction and Engineering from John Brown University, and graduated from the University of Arkansas with a Bachelor's degree in Architecture. At JBU he met his wife of 62 years, Alice Dean Moore. They married on September 7, 1957 in Lincoln, Arkansas.

Prior to operating his own design/build business, Boyce worked at John Brown University in the coordinated planning, designing, and overseeing construction of campus buildings. Following his tenure with JBU, Boyce designed and constructed many building in Northwest Arkansas, Oklahoma, and in the Bahamas.

He is survived by his wife, Alice; brother, Carl McQuay of Siloam Springs; two sisters, Debi Oates and husband Dan of Susanville, California, and Thelma Gabriel of Ontario, California; and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Memorial services will be held Wednesday, November 13, 2019 at 10:00 a.m., at Wasson Funeral Home, Siloam Springs. Due to his involvement and

passion for JBU athletic teams, memorial contributions may be made to the JBU Athletic Department.

Cemetery Details

Oak Hill Cemetery

2122 W. University St.
Siloam Springs, AR 72761

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 13. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MW

“ Dearest Alice,
Years ago, while on a trip to see my folks in Bella Vista, we made a swing over to Siloam and popped in at Boyce’s office to say “hi” and show him drawings of a house our Candie had designed, at the tender age of seven. Boyce invited her to sit at the drafting table as he reviewed her plans. He told her about plumbing and how it helps to keep the pipes ‘in line’ to control costs. He thought some of the walls needed to be longer to accommodate specific furniture that would be needed in certain rooms. He could so easily have waved a hand and laughed her efforts off but instead, was intentionally instructive. None of us has ever forgotten the sweet way Boyce encouraged her. She left positively glowing! We all knew the import of Boyce’s opinion.

She didn’t go the path of BC&D, but became a graphic designer...so we truly believe her confidence was nurtured in those early years, and then the skills were learned and honed as she pursued her education. We’re quite confident Boyce took this same approach with many young people.

That’s just one little glimpse of the remarkable man you married. You have been such a sweet constant in our lives and it is with heavy hearts that our paths cross yet again this year. Be assured of our prayers in the coming weeks and months.

*Love always,
Marcia and Carl*

Marcia Walter - January 06, 2020 at 12:10 AM

RP

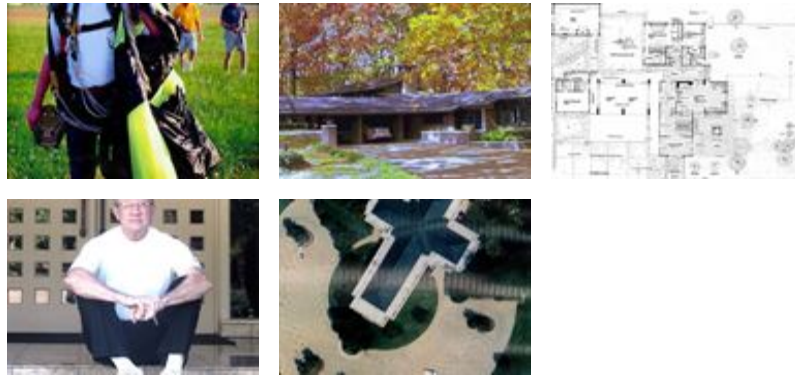
“ *Razorback Pizza lit a candle in memory of Boyce Coe McQuay*



Razorback Pizza - November 13, 2019 at 01:35 PM

WASSON
FUNERAL HOME, INC.

“ *63 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Wasson Funeral Home - November 12, 2019 at 11:45 AM

AG

“ *Alice, Susan and family,
I was so sorry to hear of Boyce's passing. My thoughts are with you all, and I pray that God provides you strength and peace in the days ahead. May you feel the love of your many friends surrounding you and lifting you up.*

Love, Ann Gossett Gatewood

Ann Gatewood - November 10, 2019 at 05:54 PM



“ *Heavenly Light was purchased for the family of Boyce Coe McQuay.*



November 10, 2019 at 05:50 PM



“ *Mr. McQuay was one of my professors while a student at John Brown University between 1966 and 1970. He related well to us Building Construction & Design majors and made learning lots of fun. He'd get annoyed with some of us from time-to-time but that was short-lived. Some of the things he taught me didn't mean too much to me then but after I got settled into my structural engineering profession, I could see that he was always right.*

My deepest sympathy to Alice, Debbie and all family members.

Larry Fast, P.E. for Sylvania, Ohio

Larry L. Fast, P.E. - November 07, 2019 at 05:05 PM



“ *Boyce will be forever a great memory for us at Copy Connections. Boyce was a good friend and customer. Some days he would just drop in to say “hi”. We always appreciated his bright smile and long time friendship. Billy & Rose Miller*

Rose Miller - November 07, 2019 at 01:33 PM



“ *Willy Wellston lit a candle in memory of Boyce Coe McQuay*



Willy Wellston - November 06, 2019 at 09:43 PM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Willy Wellston - November 06, 2019 at 09:42 PM

JH

“ *Alice, my family sends our prayers and condolences to you and your family.*

Boyce was truly one of a kind. He genuinely cared for people and loved doing things for people. I had the privilege of working on a few projects that he designed. We were very fortunate to have Boyce design our house on Beaver lake. He loved our daughter Allyson, that was born with a neuromuscular disease and never walked. He took special care to make sure our house was accessible to her and very aesthetic. We all three love and miss him. If there is anything we can do for you please let us know.

Jeff, Sharon and Allyson Hunter

Jeff Hunter - November 06, 2019 at 03:37 PM

KH

“ Ken and Carol Hounsell purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Boyce Coe McQuay.



Ken and Carol Hounsell - November 06, 2019 at 11:17 AM

FV

“ Alice so sorry for your loss. You will be in my thoughts and prayers. I know it will be hard for you for a while. I read in the obit that you have been married for 62 years. That is a wonderful testimony to your faith and love for one another. He will be missed by all in the family.

Francille Vesel - November 06, 2019 at 10:51 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Boyce Coe McQuay.



November 06, 2019 at 10:08 AM

DW

“ Don and Nancy Williams purchased the Joyful Memory for the family of Boyce Coe McQuay.



Don and Nancy Williams - November 06, 2019 at 10:03 AM

TM

“ R.I.P my Brother of the Bush. To Alice, Carl and Family, our most sincere condolences. Going to JBU BB games will never be the same for us. You will always be in our heart my friend. Tony and Madeleine Maurer

Tony Maurer - November 05, 2019 at 09:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Boyce Coe McQuay.



November 05, 2019 at 05:14 PM

ST

“ Alice, LOYD and I are so sorry to hear of your loss of Boyce. You are very special people! Love and prayers, Shirley Thomas

Shirley Forbes Thomas - November 05, 2019 at 04:24 PM

RD

“ He was known as "Coach Boyce" around JBU Athletics! We enjoyed having him at the gym - encouraging our coaches and our student-athletes all the time! He and Alice gave faithfully to our programs and were always willing to help with a need. He loved to see our student-athletes compete and cheered them on from the stands. He also attended many practices - hence why I named him "Coach"! We enjoyed so many years with him and we are grateful for each one. He will be missed.

Robyn Daugherty - November 05, 2019 at 03:15 PM

KD

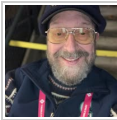
“ We love you, Alice, and we loved Boyce. I remember when Boyce came to work at JBU, and the many kindnesses he showed the "BC boys." I joked with him recently about borrowing his adjustable triangle. Beth recalls that Alice and Boyce took Beth and me, (when I was a student and she was working for "Daddy T"), to Tulsa to a show and restaurant. Over the years, I had many interactions professional and personal with Boyce. He was a great designer and a good friend. Alice, you're living in one of his designs, built with his own hands. I know the Lord will give you comfort and strength through this sad time.
Kent and Beth Davis

kent davis - November 05, 2019 at 03:10 PM

RK

Dear Alice, I am so sorry for your loss. The two of you were always so kind to Cheryl and I. I remember when I was a student I spent a summer painting your house. I took on more than I expected and learned a life lesson from that experience. Think of it often. I would love to see you.

Roger Kline - November 05, 2019 at 05:19 PM



Dear Alice, You have been very special to me and the Robertson Family. I'll miss Boyce and his enthusiasm for BB and help to the neighbor across the "Holler" I'm sending this prayer for you.

O God of grace and glory, we remember before you this day our brother Boyce. We thank you for giving him to us, his family and friends, to know and to love as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. In your boundless compassion, console us who mourn. Give us faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth, until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Arnie Mayer - November 06, 2019 at 04:44 PM



My sympathy goes out to the McQuay family

Berniece McBride - November 07, 2019 at 12:07 PM