



Mr. Richard A. McAllister Jr.

October 9, 1946 - January 17, 2025

Richard A. McAllister Jr.

Richard A. McAllister Jr. Attorney and Magistrate, 78, died unexpectedly on January 17, 2025.

Born in Towson, he was a graduate of Loyola Blakefield and Loyola University where he was part of the lacrosse and wrestling teams. He joined the Marine Corps through the ROTC program at Loyola University and was commissioned Lieutenant. He served his country for several years during the Vietnam War while stationed in Okinawa.

He received his law degree from the University of Baltimore School of Law and began his legal career as an Assistant State's Attorney, serving in that role from 1977-1984. While there, he was also a proud member of their highly competitive softball team. He later was in private practice in Towson and for a period practiced law with his father, Richard A. McAllister Sr.

In 1992, he was appointed as a Magistrate in family court in Baltimore County courts and he continued in that capacity until the time of his death.

He was an avid sports fan and enjoyed watching Baltimore's hometown teams - Orioles, Colts and Ravens. He enjoyed playing golf and traveling on many

golf trips with his friends,

He was a loyal and devoted member of the Elks Club in Towson and served as Exalted Ruler from 2007-2008.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Richard A. McAllister, Sr. and Ciril C. McAllister and sisters. Brother of the late Ciril McAllister Wyatt (Edward G. Wyatt, Sr.) and Elizabeth "Betsy" McAllister Delea (Michael F. Delea, Jr.). He is survived by 6 nieces and 5 nephews, 11 great-nieces and 13 great-nephews and one great-great niece and two great-great-nephews.

A visitation will be held on February 7, 2025, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. at Mitchell Wiedefeld Funeral Home, 6500 York Rd., Baltimore, MD 21212. Please omit flowers. Donations may be made to Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Baltimore - <https://www.casabalt.org/> - 410-244-1465.

Burial arrangements will be private.

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Death Notice

McAllister. January 17, 2025 Richard Alexander Jr. Son of the late Richard A. McAllister and Ciril C. McAllister. Brother of the late Ciril McAllister Wyatt (Edward G. Wyatt, Sr.) and Elizabeth "Betsy" McAllister Delea (Michael F. Delea, Jr.). He is survived by 6 nieces and 5 nephews, 11 great-nieces and 13 great-nephews and one great-great niece and two great-great-nephews.

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Mitchell - Wiedefeld Funeral Home, Inc.
6500 York Road
Baltimore, MD 21212
(410) 377-8300
general@mwfuneralhome.com

Tribute Wall



“ *McAllister, first and foremost rest in power. Rest in power that in my eyes, you’ve never abused! You were a fair man. Even on your grumpiest days. Thank you for seeing potential in me and for making me a better man, a better thinker.. You locked me up so many times man.. But I learned from it all. Thank you. And I do apologize for being such a mischievous kid. Rest in power and thank you for your services.* 🙏⚖️❤️

Tyreek Williams - January 15 at 08:22 PM

TM

“ *I was shocked and saddened to belatedly hear of my friend and long-time colleague, Dick McAllister. We met in the County State’s Attorney’s Office in the mid-Seventies and remained friends, never missing a Semper Fi greeting when we passed in Towson. I recently had a lengthy juvenile hearing before Dick. As good friends as we have been over the years, he remained scrupulously fair to both sides. He will be missed. Semper Fi, Marine! Tom Morrow*

Thomas Morrow - April 01, 2025 at 11:04 AM

CA

“ *I am saddened to hear of Magistrate McAllister’s passing. He will be missed. Condolences to the family. May he rest in eternal peace.*

Carol Adams-Knight - February 07, 2025 at 12:30 PM

JB

“ I remember 4 great years with Dick at Loyola COLLEGE, followed later by working with him for several years at the Probation Department of the Circuit Court for Baltimore County, while we both attended law school at night; softball, softball, softball for many years for A&G Stevedores, for Dr. Cully's Cartage Company and in the Towson YMCA League, followed, of course, by lengthy post-game replays at Souris's. Then, there were my bachelor party and Lynn's and my wedding rehearsal dinner in 1979, in both of which Dick played prominent parts. The Trial Table Law Club, etc., etc., etc., So many great memories from so long ago!

Rest in peace, Dick.

James F. Brewer

James F. Brewer - February 07, 2025 at 10:28 AM

MP

“ I'd love to be able to join you and others in honoring our fallen comrade. Dick was one of the reasons I wanted to be a prosecutor. When I first met him, I thought he was Captain America. I will always remember him that way. Unfortunately, I am living in North Carolina now and can't be there to see him off. Give my love and best wishes to any of the old crowd you see. Being in the State's Attorney's office was one of the best times of my life because of all the wonderful and colorful people we worked with.

Mike

Michael A. Pulver

Attorney

Mike Pulver - February 06, 2025 at 06:27 PM

DI

“ Good times working in the Baltimore County State's Attorney's Office and playing ball together. It was an honor appearing before you in Court, where you were caring and kind. Rest in peace, dear friend. David Irwin

David Irwin - February 06, 2025 at 07:14 AM

TB

“ I first met Magistrate McAllister in March/April of 2020. He has always shown me politeness, kindness & respect (even in his grumpier moments). I found, more often than not, that he was fair to those before him and willing to give people second chances. He was tough, but not mean. I always enjoyed my time before him in court and I usually left with a smile. He had many humorous moments and I will TRULY miss him. I send heartfelt condolences to his family, and I hope that he is happy and free of pain on the other side. He will be missed.

Taúa Blockson - February 05, 2025 at 06:35 PM

BM

“ It was an honor appearing before you Sir. - both when you heard child support matters and when you heard juvenile court cases. Rest in Peace 🙏

Becky Heyman Magaziner - February 04, 2025 at 05:48 PM

DM

“ I was saddened to hear about Magistrate McAllister's passing. I appeared before him often during the 12 years that I worked for CASA and he was always respectful of the volunteers and wanted to hear what they had to say. He would often comment in court about how much he respected CASA and our volunteers, He would always come, on his own time, whenever we asked him to make a presentation or to be involved in a training. He could be particular at times in court, especially regarding the order in which information was presented, but that was because he knew the information he wanted so that he could make the best decision possible for the children involved. The CINA Court in Baltimore County will truly miss his dedication and his wisdom, and CASA has lost a good friend.

Dan McEachran

Dan McEachran - February 04, 2025 at 10:32 AM

JS

“ We were frequently in front of Magistrate McAllister in our work with CASA of Baltimore County. He was always a great supporter of CASA, which we were so grateful for. But most importantly, he always made the right decisions about the cases that came before him. He saw some of the most difficult situations, but his orders always reflected what was best for the kids involved. He will be missed.

Jennifer Stine - February 03, 2025 at 07:43 PM

KR

“ Dick & I were close friends while working in the Baltimore County State's Attorney's office. He and I shared a common interest in sports as we both had played lacrosse for our schools. Our office formed a softball team and for several years we were the Best team in the Maryland Lawyer's League.
We were also one of the best State's Attorney's Offices in Maryland.

Rest in peace, my friend. Congressman Dutch Ruppensberger

Krupp - February 02, 2025 at 05:46 PM

BH

“ So sad to hear this news. Magistrate McAllister was an exceptional person who gave his all in everything he did. We will all miss his engaging smile.

Barbara Howe - January 30, 2025 at 02:09 PM

SC

“ Dick served on the Judicial Nominating Committee in the 1990's. He gave me the best advice: “Treat it like you're talking to a jury, good opening and close.” I did and the rest is history. He was always cheerful, friendly and kind. He worked fairly and efficiently. Like our mentor, Judge Boone, he had no malice.
I will remember him outside working on a crossword and greeting all his peers. Dick was a friend to all and a treasure to our Legal community. I know he will have a large welcoming reception at his final destination. God bless, God speed and thank you Dear Friend.
Judge Sally C. Chester

Sally C. Chester - January 30, 2025 at 11:10 AM

RD

“ Thank you Dick. For everything you did for my family. For assisting me when foreign cases reared its head, unexpectedly, in our backyard. I know you helped A LOT Of people and made their lives better, but in doing so, you brought a calmness to their lives as well. Good bye brother.

Ray Der - January 30, 2025 at 03:17 AM

DW

“ I worked with Dick in The Baltimore County State's Attorney's office in the early 80s and was on the vaunted Lawyer's League Softball Team with him.

He was a great player , and an even better lawyer.

He was here for a GOOD time, which I'm pretty sure he had, but , unfortunately for us, not for as LONG a time as we all would have wished.

DENNIS WHELLEY - January 29, 2025 at 10:38 AM

RD

*Thank you for the kind words.
Rich Delea - Dick's nephew.*

Rich Delea - January 30, 2025 at 12:09 AM

BJ

“ *Richard A. McAllister, Jr. was a native of Rodgers Forge section of Baltimore County. He later would serve in the United States Marine Corps, achieving the rank of Captain. Richard passed the Maryland State Bar, and became a Magistrate in Baltimore County Circuit Court. Semper Fi my friend. It was an honor to work with you.*



Bigg Jim Jones - January 24, 2025 at 08:10 PM