



## Oneil McCaffety

November 22, 1933 - March 5, 2022

Oneil McCaffety passed away on Saturday, March 5th, 2022 in Castle Rock, Colorado. He was 88 years old. Oneil was born in Walker County, Texas to R.H. and Edna Mae McCaffety on November 22, 1933.

Growing up with his family in Huntsville, Texas, Oneil graduated from Huntsville High School where he was known as the "the guy with the educated toe" kicking field goals for the football team with his bare foot. He graduated from Sam Houston State College, moving to Sour Lake Texas where he pursued a career teaching math and physics. After joining NASA Oneil became a part of the Mission Planning and Analysis Division and was there during the Apollo launch. His career at NASA lasted almost 23 years.

Oneil moved to Castle Rock Colorado in 1984 to marry Janice Hall McCaffety. He worked as a home builder in the Castle Rock area before retiring. Oneil loved to ski, play golf, and to participate in any activity where he could be outdoors. He spent countless hours watching his grandsons play baseball, football, soccer and LaCrosse. After retirement, he and a friend organized a non-profit horseback riding program for developmentally disabled children where he was the director for 20 years. Despite living in Colorado for the past 38 years, Oneil was always a Texan at heart and longed to move back there one day.

Oneil is survived by his wife, Janice McCaffety, 4 stepdaughters, 12 grandchildren, and 4 great grandchildren. He is also survived by his brother, Edward (Joe Mac) McCaffety, his sister June, and numerous nieces and

nephews.

A graveside service and celebration of life will be held on Saturday, April 2nd, at 11:00 at the Oakwood Adickes Addition Cemetery, 700 Martin Luther King Dr., in Huntsville, Texas. A BBQ reception will be held immediately following the service at La Buena Vida, home of Lynita and Jack. Memorial condolences may be made for the family at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Adickes addition of Oakwood Cemetery

700 Martin Luther King Blvd  
Huntsville, TX

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR 2. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Oneil McCaffety*

November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *An uncle who loved his nieces and nephews so much, he would spend Christmas breaks driving them from Texas to CO to teach them to snow ski at young ages and taking them on tours at NASA. He made us laugh. He excelled in everything he did from sports to physics to art. He made a difference in the lives of so many. We honor him as nieces and nephews with donations to Young Life in Highlands Ranch CO where he and Janice were actively involved. We loved him. Wynan, John, Wally and Paula*

**Wynan, John, Wally, Paula** - April 01, 2022 at 08:45 AM



“ *From Joe Mac, Kelley, Mark and Suzie purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Oneil McCaffety.*



**From Joe Mac, Kelley, Mark and Suzie** - March 30, 2022 at 10:48 AM

MA

“ Condolences to the McCaffety family. Coach was and remains one of my most influential teachers. I fondly recall working with him as we laid out the new track at HJ. I also, not so fondly recall his corporal punishment meted out, at times, with his paddle on my rear. Although now I admit those times were well deserved.  
Mickey Attaway, HJ Class of '65.

Mickey Attaway - March 28, 2022 at 01:32 PM

JB

“ What a dear man and teacher. One of Hardin Jefferson's favorites. He will be remembered by all students.  
Thoughts and prayers.  
Judi Johnston Benoit

Judi Johnston Benoit - March 28, 2022 at 10:07 AM

JM

“ Johnnie Heflin Melton lit a candle in memory of Oneil McCaffety



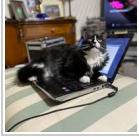
Johnnie Heflin Melton - March 28, 2022 at 09:08 AM

TH

“ Thomas & Jennie Hayman lit a candle in memory of Oneil McCaffety



Thomas & Jennie Hayman - March 19, 2022 at 07:54 PM



“ *I remember what a great kicker O’Neil was. Left Huntsville, but not forgotten. My sincere condolences to the McCafferty family!* ”



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**Beverly Niederhofer** - March 18, 2022 at 06:22 PM



“ *M. Hyvl sent a virtual gift in memory of Oneil McCaffety* ”



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**M. Hyvl** - March 17, 2022 at 01:18 PM