



## William G. McNish Jr.

August 24, 1939 - November 19, 2024

William G. McNish Jr., age 85, of Ubly, passed away on Tuesday, November 19, 2024 at his home.

He was born on August 24, 1939 in Brockville, Ontario, Canada, son of the late William G. and Violet (Spinsby) McNish, Sr. He married Barbara Gucwa on July 19, 1974. They were married for 50 years.

Bill was the youngest of the five McNish children. He attended school in Brockville, Ontario and went on to Brockville Hospital and became a nurse. He then came stateside to St. Frances in Peoria, IL and became an anesthetist. He also worked at Albert Schyer Hospital for two years.

He worked at Saginaw General for two years and then came to the Thumb area and worked for Scheurer Hospital for 19 years and then to Deckerville for another 19 years. He then took on-call on the weekends for all the Hospitals in the Thumb area.

He was a ham operator and loved to fly model airplanes.

Bill is survived by his wife Barbara McNish of Ubly, his two children, Deborah McNish of Salt Spring, British Columbia and Andrew (Dana) McNish of British Columbia, Canada. He has two grandchildren, Leim McNish and Emily McNish of British Columbia, Canada. Nephew Jody (Teresa) Gucwa of Fowlerville, MI. Niece Ann Marie Morrison of Westland and her children Khalley And Warren. Many nieces and nephews, all of Canada.

He was preceded in death by his sisters Jean (Charlie) Hand of St. Catherine, Ontario, Canada, Gertrude (John) Tobin of Barrie, Ontario, Canada, Patrice

(Rob) Gowen of Ottawa, British Columbia, Canada, , Brother Rob (Flacia) McNish of , British Columbia, Canada, In-laws, Joseph and Stella Gucwa, Brothers-in-law, Henry and Peter Gucwa, Sister-in-law, Joana (Steven) Morrison. Bill was the last living member of the family.

A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, November 30, 2024 at Good Sheperd Parish – St. Columbkille Catholic Church of Sheridan Corners. Interment will be in the church cemetery. The family will receive guests for visitation on Saturday at the church from 10 am until the service time at 11 am.

The family would like to extend their thanks to the wonderful nurses of Compassus Hospice for the excellent care they gave Bill.

Memorials may be offered to the St. Columbkille Cemetery Fund or the the charity of the donor's choice.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Columbkille Church Cemetery

3031 McAlpin Rd.  
Ubly, MI 48475

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Good Shepard Parish - St. Columbkille Catholic Church  
3031 McAlpin Rd.  
Ubly, MI 48475

## Funeral Mass

NOV **30**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

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3031 McAlpin Rd.  
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# Tribute Wall

AM

“ Aunt Barb,  
I am deeply sorry for your loss. I have always had fond memories of uncle Bill from when I was younger at grandma and grandpa Gucwas house. He was always very cheerful and made jokes to keep me entertained. You are in my thoughts and I pray for you always. I know God is always with you and that uncle Bill is with him watching over you. I am praying that God comforts you in your time of grieving. Love, Ann Marie Morrison



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**Ann morrison** - July 07, 2025 at 01:02 AM

PS

“ Hi Barb Don't know if you remember me Pat Siemen we meet you two at Big Boy in Bad Axe . I was and am a good friend of Max MaKenzie which he passed a couple of years ago remember seen you two there on Mondays. Bless you and so sorry for your lose

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**Patrick Siemen** - December 05, 2024 at 07:04 PM

SK

“ Barb, I'm so terribly sorry for your loss. I loved chatting with you and Bill more than you ever know. The simple things like his smile, the laughter, his gentle manner and how much the both of you love each other was so evident by how you two looked at each other. I knew when either one of you were in town because of the long lasting Jeep with the woodgrain on the sides! I'm sorry I can not attend today. I don't get out much anymore. Sending many prayers, hugs and love my friend.

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**Sue Kady-LaBuhn** - November 30, 2024 at 09:14 AM

DM

“ *Deborah McNish lit a candle in memory of William G. McNish Jr.*



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**Deborah McNish** - November 29, 2024 at 10:32 PM

GN

“ *Bill was a very nice man. Had the pleasure of working with him in surgery at Hills and Dales when he did relief anesthesia. Rest in peace Bill. Prayers to your family.*

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**Gayle Nicol** - November 27, 2024 at 12:35 PM

TS

“ *Bill was a great friend we enjoyed learning about his childhood and how he grew up. Bill had a great singing voice. We enjoyed all the plays, dinners that we went to with him and Barb He gave his medical skills and time in Hati. He will be missed.*

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**Tim & Shari Schmidt** - November 26, 2024 at 06:54 AM

MR

“ *Bill was a wonderful co-worker, friendly, interested in you, with an easy smile and encouraging manner. I very much enjoyed him.*  
*Margo Roth*

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**margo roth** - November 25, 2024 at 07:16 AM

MN

“ *Enjoyed working with Bill at Huron Memorial hospital. Always had a smile. Rest peacefully Bill.*



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**Mary Beth Nimitz** - November 24, 2024 at 04:30 PM