



Edward "Ed" Alan McNamara

December 20, 1959 - March 19, 2011

Edward "Ed" Alan McNamara, 51, longtime Moses Lake resident, passed away unexpected Saturday morning, March 19, 2011 at Samaritan Hospital from complications of a chronic heart condition. Memorial services will be held at 5:00 p.m., Sunday, March 27, 2011 at the Church in Moses Lake, 6378 Arnold Drive N.E., (Day Star Gym). Ed was born on December 20, 1959 in Soap Lake, WA to John and Edith (Ibbitson) McNamara. Ed was married to Shawnee Lancaster on June 22, 1985 in Moses Lake. He had worked as production manager for Just Right Carpet Care for several years. He also was the Moses Lake High School Chiefs head baseball coach for the past seven years. He is survived by his wife, Shawnee at the family home and their children.

It is requested that friends please refrain from calling the family home and instead post condolences on the funeral home website.

Previous Events

Service

MAR 27. 5:00 PM (PT)

Church in Moses Lake
6378 Arnold Drive
Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall



“ *Shawnee & family -*

We are so sorry for the loss of your husband and father. Ed held a very special place in our hearts. In 1984 he spent nearly every evening helping Craig build on a much needed addition to our home. We had just had one child and had another on the way. The only compensation we could afford to give was a warm meal each evening. We came to really look forward to his friendship, warm fellowship and love for God as we built that addition together.

Ed was also a very good friend to Craig when he was a new student and baseball player at EHS in 1977-78. Ed was a wonderful role model and represented God well on the baseball diamond.

Although the years have separated us, we have very fond memories that we will carry in our hearts.

*Our thoughts & prayers are with the McNamara family. May the love of God, family and friends sustain you today and the days ahead.
With love - Craig & Janis Weddle###imported-begin###Craig & Janis Weddle###imported-end###*

April 19, 2011 at 12:59 AM



“ *Ed, thanks for the memories growing up in Ephrata and playing ball together. My heart goes out to the McNamara family.*

God bless!###imported-begin###Scott Yount###imported-end###

April 04, 2011 at 11:24 PM



“ I was very sorry to hear of the passing of Coach Mac. Ed McNamara was my pitching coach at Big Bend in 1984-1985. He was a lot of fun to be around and I was lucky to have a coach like him. I will always have great memories of the time I spent with Coach Mac.##imported-begin##John Sinclair##imported-end##

April 01, 2011 at 01:19 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Ed. He was a great guy. Got to know him when he helped build our house years ago.##imported-begin##Shelley Yenney##imported-end##

April 01, 2011 at 12:21 AM



“ The Johnston family reaches out with sympathy to you and your family. You're in our thoughts, now and in the days to come. We will never forget our first potluck Sunday at MLCC. Shawnee and Ed, you welcomed us through conversations that made us feel at home –raising boys and the game of baseball. Take comfort in knowing Ed's life is a story told by God. May the gentle breeze across the fields this season serve as fond memories of Ed~ father, husband, coach, friend and mentor~ to ever hold him dear. Prayerfully, Jason, Jackie, Brad & Eric Johnston##imported-begin##The Johnstons##imported-end##

March 27, 2011 at 04:17 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you Shawnee and your family.

Jeff: Ed was a great mentor on and off the field for our son Blaine and we will be forever thankful for the time he was able to spend with Ed. Ed was a passionate coach who always tried to get each player to find their best level of play. I have fond memories of helping him with the program and summer ball and will always remember his skillful battles with umpires throughout the league. He will be missed as a husband, father and coach.

Merrily: Thank you Ed for sharing your time and talents assisting with molding of so many young lives. I know we owe you a 1000+ thank yous and only gave you a small portion of that. We will also no longer have that contractor to help us with our projects which provided as much good conversation as it did home improvement. And down the road when memories start to fade, all we need to do is look at your five sons and we will have a picture of you.

Jeff and Merrily##imported-begin##Jeff and Merrily Fagg##imported-end##

March 27, 2011 at 11:51 AM



“ We are saddened to learn of Ed's passing away, and know that Shawnee and the boys are experiencing a tremendous loss. Our family came to know Ed through the Sandberg's, and then Ed agreed to contract and build a beautiful home for our family in Moses Lake in 2004-2005. He was a good man who touched the lives of many, and will be missed. Our prayers are now for Shawnee and the family, that they will know God's comfort and feel His strength in the days, weeks and months ahead.##imported-begin##Arlin & LaVerne Lidstrom##imported-end##

March 27, 2011 at 01:14 AM



“ Recently, I had a chance to meet Ed for the first time. He talked about his family, his baseball career, and he came across as a wonderful man. I told him in this country, we have the best medical system for evaluation and treatment. The rest, you must leave to Almighty God, who has a plan for you and for everyone else. When he left my office I felt he was resigned to the fact he will be meeting his Lord. When the time comes, may God bless his soul and have mercy on him. My sympathies go to his family. I am sorry I will not be able to attend his memorial on Sunday, as I will be in Seattle. Sincerely, Dr. Said, M.D., Ephrata, WA, 754-4689##imported-begin##Dr. Mohammad Said##imported-end##

March 26, 2011 at 10:02 PM



“ Our family had the pleasure of getting to know Ed when he framed our house and through baseball. We have a lot of respect for him. What a great guy! Our many thoughts and prayers are with his family##imported-begin##Jackie (Skidmore) Eilert##imported-end##

March 26, 2011 at 06:29 PM



“ Miss Shawnee and boys, my heart is filled with sorrow for your loss. I have the utmost respect and love your family, your values, strength, faith, and determination. I pray the Lord's arms wrap you and hold you close through this time and memories and laughter heal your pain. With love and prayers, Karin, Logan, Landon##imported-begin##Karin Pruet##imported-end##

March 26, 2011 at 05:05 PM



“ Our heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with Ed's family during this sudden loss of their loved one. May they find comfort in the memories and traditions they made as a family.##imported-begin##Joe Whalen and family##imported-end##

March 26, 2011 at 02:52 PM



“ Please know that we are sharing in your sorrow and lifting you up in prayer. May you feel God's comfort and grace all around you. We are so very pleased and blessed to share a small part of Ed's work ethic in our home. May the peace of the Lord be with you. Prayerfully,
Rich, Teresa, Josilyn & Nolan##imported-begin##Rich & Teresa Wakkuri##imported-end##

March 26, 2011 at 01:27 PM



“ Shawnee,
I have been where you are and my heart is hurting for you and the boys. You are in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Linda Ries##imported-end##

March 26, 2011 at 01:07 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the McNamara family during this very difficult time. I have fond memories of Coach McNamara which I will forever cherish, rest in peace coach McNamara.##imported-begin##Travis Skidmore##imported-end##

March 26, 2011 at 12:28 AM



“ Ed will truly be missed , he touched the lives of so many people. what a pleasure it has been to work with such a kind and talented person for so many years . always a smile and a kind word.my heart and prayers go out to Ed's family.

Todd Voth (Voth const.)###imported-begin###todd voth###imported-end##

March 25, 2011 at 08:16 PM



“ Coach MacNamara was a huge influence on me both as a young baseball player and a young man. He helped mold me into a young man during my high school years through and was our fearless leader on the field. Coach Mac is a big reason why I have had the opportunity to play college baseball and for that I will always be thankful. I will keep many great memories that I have of coach from school and summer baseball and will always appreciate his impact on me.###imported-begin###Blaine Myers###imported-end##

March 25, 2011 at 03:04 PM



“ My prayers are with the McNamara family. I'm grateful for the time I was able to spend with Coach Mac, learning to play the game he loved. He had a tremendous impact on numerous lives in Moses Lake and will be missed.###imported-begin###Curran Redal###imported-end##

March 24, 2011 at 09:43 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family in this time of sorrow. We were all very blessed to have known Ed.###imported-begin###Kit Warner-Lupinski###imported-end##

March 23, 2011 at 11:14 PM



“ *My condolences to the McNamara Family on the loss of Ed.*

His love of family, baseball, and kids will never be forgotten.

*Rest in peace Coach McNamara.##imported-begin##Troy
Cox##imported-end##*

March 23, 2011 at 09:59 PM



“ *My wife and I were lucky enough to have Ed build our house in
1991/1992 near the Moses Lake Country Club. He was not only
honest but one of the nicest men we have ever known and always
strived to make sure we were happy with his work and went out of
his way to save us money.*

We are so sorry for your loss.

*Mike and Wanda Davis, Mead, Washington##imported-begin##Mike
Davis##imported-end##*

March 23, 2011 at 07:43 PM



“ *I am so sorry for your loss. Shawnee, you and your family have
been and will continue to be in our prayers. I pray that you continue
to feel God holding you in the palm of His hands as the God of all
comfort. Joy, Elijah & Isaac McClendon##imported-begin##Joy
McClendon##imported-end##*

March 23, 2011 at 04:15 PM



“ There will always be an empty space in the Moses Lake Chiefs dugout. Thanks to coach for all the countless hours he spent with those boys. Shawnee and family...may God bless you with peace and comfort at such a difficult time. Thank you for sharing Ed with the Chiefs and the Walleyes. Our prayers are with you.
Scott and Chandra Jackson###imported-begin###Scott and Chandra Jackson###imported-end##

March 23, 2011 at 02:16 PM



“ Dear Shawnee and sons,
So sorry to hear of your loss, so thankful you know where he is. I will never forget the time he came to our winter swim party- he helped make it a special time for the fifth graders. What an emcee at games! He seemed to live every moment to the fullest. We will be unable to attend Sunday, but will be praying for you. May you all feel God's peace carry you through this new transition.###imported-begin###Julie Y. Boyer###imported-end##

March 23, 2011 at 12:34 AM



“ I was saddend to hear of Eds untimely passing, he was always so funny and made people laugh. No words can really help during this time, but I hope your cherished memories give you comfort. My deepest sympathy goes out to the McNamara Family.###imported-begin###Sherry Cunningham-Alexander###imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 10:16 PM



“ Dear Shawnee and boys,

We are so shocked and saddened to read of Ed's untimely passing. Ed came into our lives in 2002...the answer to our prayers as we looked for a skilled and honest contractor to build our house at the Potholes. We hit the jackpot with Ed. We grew, during those summer months, to like Ed just an awful lot! He was all the things we had hoped for. An excellent craftsman but most importantly an honest and reliable guy. He was good to us. Ed soon became a welcome and valued friend. He often took time out of his busy schedule to sit around our table and chat. It was obvious that he cherished and took great pride in his wife and sons. We happily got to know all of you that summer and Ed and family left us with many happy memories. We are so sorry that Ed is gone. May you and the boys feel God's comforting presence at this time of your sorrow and may you rest in the peace of God's everlasting love. We stand with you in faith and support you and the boys and all your family in prayer. We share your sorrow.

Frank and Nancy Roesler###imported-begin###Frank & Nancy Roesler###imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 08:50 PM



“ *Thank you Ed for being a friend for the many years I knew you. Thank you for the many years you spent coaching the baseball teams and giving fatherly support to them. Thank you Shawnee and family for giving Ed your support. May he rest in peace. Phil and Jan###imported-begin###PHIL AND JAN SIGNORELLI###imported-end##*

March 22, 2011 at 06:06 PM



“ Coach Mac left a big Impression on my life as i am sure most would say the same, We were lucky enough to have Coach Mac at Big Bend as our Pitching Coach in 1985. And still to this day when the walleyes came to town it was always a real treat to get to sit and talk about the good old day's...
Taken from us much to soon You will be Missed..##imported-begin##Gilbert Shaw Jr.##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 05:43 PM



“ I only knew Ed for a year, I am so blessed to have had the oppertunity to get to know such a wonderful man. He always made me laugh and smile. He was such an amazing mentor to those around and he truly will be missed.

Gob Bless you Ed and your beautiful family; you are in a wonderful place now, I will see you soon!!##imported-begin##Brandie Palmer##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 04:37 PM



“ Dear Shawnee,

I got to know Ed through JRCC, I am the gentleman that helped him set up his retirement plan there. When I heard of his passing yesterday I wept all day off and on for you and your family, tears still come so easily. Its not hard for tears to come so easily when you have shared time with such a person as Ed. He is such a good man, it was always so nice to talk with him. What a pleasent fun person he is and was to be around. My love to you and your sweet family. I am here for you at your need; at his request he wanted me to make sure to help you with the financial details whenever he was to pass away. I didn't think it would be so soon. I thought this day would come 20 or 30 years down the road. So I want you to know that I am here for you. You can call me any time. We became good friends, I really appreciated who he was and the wonderful man that he is.

With much love to you and yours,

Brock L Roberts

801-548-3417

Federal Financial Group###imported-begin###Brock L Roberts###imported-end###

March 22, 2011 at 04:34 PM



“ Shawnee and family. So sorry to hear of your loss. May the Lord surround you with his love and peace. You will be in my prayers.###imported-begin###Kathy Brown###imported-end###

March 22, 2011 at 03:48 PM



“ Sending love and prayers to the McNamara Family. Ed was an amazing man and I was so lucky to have had him as a Volleyball coach and friend. I am still shocked to hear of Ed's passing too soon.##imported-begin##Ashley Taylor##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 01:55 PM



“ You are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Randy & Linda Endicott##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 01:15 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you.##imported-begin##Hayes & Torgeson Families##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 12:47 PM



“ There are no words to describe how much we miss Ed. He was a wonderful friend and co-worker. He will forever be in our hearts and memories. My prayers go out to his family.##imported-begin##The Weaver Family##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 12:46 PM



“ Dear McNamara’s... Ed was an generous man that spent numerous hours doing what he loved and instilled his enthusiasm, commitment and comradery to so many ball players and parents. We are thankful for his influence and the example he displayed to our boys. Thanks Coach!! We pray the good Lord overwhelms you with comfort throughout your loss, Mac will be greatly missed.....
Mike, Wendy, Austin Sandmann and Caleb Cooper.##imported-begin##Mike and Wendy Sandmann & family##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 12:38 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. My son C.J., was very fortunate to have him as a coach and friend. He touched the lives of so many and will be greatly missed.

Lori Carpenter##imported-begin##Lori Carpenter##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 12:32 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the Macnamara family at this difficult time. Ed will be missed he was a great guy.##imported-begin##Wayne Coulston##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 12:18 PM



“ I would like to offer my deepest sorrows to The McNamara Family. I was fortunate to have the opportunity to get to know Mac from American Legion Baseball. He will be sadly missed in the Baseball community as well as, the community of Moses Lake. He was an Icon. A super individual with a heart of gold. He was a giving man that loved to work with kids. He was an avid outdoorsman who loved to fish. I will miss him deeply not only was he a mentor but a great friend!##imported-begin##David Price Kennewick Jr. Bandits Head Coach##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 10:23 AM



“ You will be missed by me. May God bless you and your family at this time, and may the angels surround you on your journey home.##imported-begin##Lori Stierwalt##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 10:05 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and family during this time.##imported-begin##Dave Tolliver##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 08:34 AM



“ Our thoughts are prayers are going out to you. We will all remember Ed as a great baseball person and an even better man. It was always a pleasure to play against a McNamara coached team, be it the Chiefs or the Walleyes. Thank you Ed for all of your time, passion, and dedication to the game of baseball. You will truly be missed.

Eisenhower Baseball

Shawn Thompson

Eisenhower High School

*Head Baseball Coach###imported-begin##Eisenhower
Baseball###imported-end##*

March 22, 2011 at 02:32 AM



“ Our thoughts and prays are with the mcnamara family. Thank you coach Mac for the time you took out of your life to coach the kids in the game of baseball as well as the game of life. you will be truly missed.

The Johnson Family

*Don, Diana, Joey, Shelby and Sierra###imported-begin##Don
Johnson and family###imported-end##*

March 22, 2011 at 02:15 AM



“ We are so sorry. Ed will be missed. We love you all.###imported-
begin##Sarah and Jonathan Bauer###imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 01:02 AM



“ Sometimes God works in strang waYS...
Sorry about your loses...alway will remember ED.##imported-
begin##Fred Phelps##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 12:57 AM



“ Coach Mac left us doing what he loved. He will be missed greatly.
Our thoughts and prayers are with the McNamara
family.##imported-begin##Rick & Sandi Lybbert##imported-end##

March 22, 2011 at 12:14 AM



“ Shawnee & Family, we were so sad to hear about Ed's passing. We
offer our sincere condolences and will be praying for strength and
comfort for family & friends.
Ed has gone home to his heavenly Father, and will be watching over
all you from up above.##imported-begin##Robert & Irene
Bainsky##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 11:10 PM



“ My heart does ache for all of you but Ed is with Jesus. Please take
care and celebrate Ed's life as he would want all of you to
do.##imported-begin##Diane McNamara##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 10:32 PM



“ Thoughts and Prayers from Chris and Rhonda Harvey and family. Chris and our sons Cody and Malcolm are all umpires. Our hearts go out to you and yours and our sympathy for your loss and our loss in the baseball community###imported-begin##Chris Harvey###imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 10:02 PM



“ What a great guy he was,It was a pleasure to work with him in Little League. As he taught Andrew all he knew about baseball, And as a pitcher. My thought and love go out to all of the family and yes he will truley be missed. The Cooper family

Dencil, Jackie, & Andrew###imported-begin##Jackie Cooper###imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 08:21 PM



“ To the McNamara family: We send our Love and prayers to you all. Growing up in a family, that was very involved in sports. I know just how much time and dedication it took on Ed's behalf. He gave so much of himself to the sport he "LOVED". The wisdom he has share with his players, will last a life time.

I Thank you for sharing your Husband and Father with us all.

With Love Robert, Tina ,Jade,Gunner and Harley

Raymond###imported-begin##Robert and Tina Raymond###imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 07:59 PM



“ Our prayers are with Ed's family. So sad to learn of his passing. Grateful for a man who walked with the Lord and lived his life for Him. Also praying for the baseball family who, we know, will truly miss him.##imported-begin##Warren and Helen Peterson##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 07:55 PM



“ Deepest sympathies to the family of Ed McNamara. "Perhaps they are not the stars, but rather openings in Heaven where the love of our lost ones pours through and shines down upon us to let us know that are happy".##imported-begin##Karen Kulawik-Svetich##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 07:26 PM



“ Our hearts are aching as we say goodnight to a wonderful man. May God continue to watch over your family during this most difficult time. We are grateful to have known Ed and to have his influence on our son with the MLHS baseball program. God Bless. Tim, Liza, Blake and Allyson Springer##imported-begin##The Tim Springer Family##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 03:33 PM



“ My Thoughts and Prayers are with your family, Ed I was glad I got to know you, you always left me smiling,##imported-begin##Dale Roth##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 02:20 PM



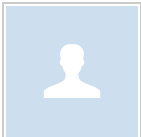
“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Ed's family at this time. May God Bless!##imported-begin##Brad and JoAnn Rushton##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 02:13 PM



“ I can't find the words to express the sadness I feel, loosing a wonderful cousin at such a young age. Ed you'll truley be missed, Shawneee and boys, my thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Death leaves a heartache no one can heal Love leaves a memory no one can steal. May God hold you in the palm of his hand, until we meet again, I love you cuz! MURPH##imported-begin##Marianne Hannaford##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 01:42 PM



“ Ed will be dearly missed by all who knew him. He loved baseball, and more importantly he loved to coach kids and instill that same love of the sport in them! He gave of himself so freely and his passion for life and "baseball" will be our fondest memory! As parents we saw Ed's commitment to our son as he continued to keep in touch with and support him even after he went off to college. Our prayers are with his family as they grieve the loss of a great man.##imported-begin##Daryl and Nicki Greninger##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 12:50 PM



“ You will be greatly missed by many, Coach Mac. Thank you for all you have done for everyone on and off the field.##imported-begin##Loera Family##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 12:42 PM



“ Words can not describe the sadness I have felt since finding out about Ed's sudden passing. He blessed so many with his talents. My prayers are with his family and friends at this difficult time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Shelley Bond##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 11:58 AM



“ Our thoughts go out to the family during this time of loss. We were very honored to do business with Ed, and know he will be missed by many.
Gene & Bonnie##imported-begin##Gene & Bonnie Polhamus##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 11:45 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with the McNamara family during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Dave Wilson##imported-end##

March 21, 2011 at 12:18 AM



“ Ed you will truly be missed! I appreciate everything you shared with me about coaching kids. My heart and prayers are with your family.##imported-begin##Ralph T. Gonzalez##imported-end##

March 20, 2011 at 06:45 PM



“ I am so sorry for the loss of this generous man. He will be greatly missed, and remembered by the many whose lives he touched.##imported-begin##Michelle Schmidt##imported-end##

March 20, 2011 at 06:18 PM



“ When the Lord calls our loved ones home, he leaves a gift of memories in exchange. Hold on to your memories, and let them guide you during this time of sadness. You have our sincere condolences. We met Ed a number of times in Moses Lake and the time he and sons traveled here to Great Falls, MT with Rob Haensel.##imported-begin##Robert & Dorothy Haensel##imported-end##

March 20, 2011 at 02:21 PM



“ Our prayers are with your family. Thank you coach for all the wonderful memories and life lessons on and off the baseball diamond.##imported-begin##Robert.Haenel##imported-end##

March 20, 2011 at 12:06 PM



“ Our prayers are with his family.##imported-begin##Les & Sue Stierwalt##imported-end##

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