



## Patricia A. McDonald

May 20, 1947 - May 3, 2014

Patricia A. McDonald, of Lumberton, NJ passed away Saturday, May 3, 2014 at Samaritan Inpatient Hospice in Mt. Holly, NJ. She was 66. A longtime Lumberton resident, she was a graduate of Emmanuel College in Boston and had retired after a distinguished 33 year teaching career in Pemberton Township, NJ.

Her influence extended well beyond the classroom. In Pemberton Township she was considered a fearless teacher leader and a gracious mentor to other educators. She was most proud of her lasting influence on the 7th and 8th graders that passed through her classrooms.

After retirement, she enjoyed traveling the country seeing friends and family, particularly if they lived near the beach. She also loved to attend the theatre in Philadelphia and the casinos in Atlantic City and Las Vegas. Despite living in Lumberton for over thirty five years, Pat remained an avid Patriots and Red Sox fan and loved all things Boston.

She was a kind and loving Mother, Grandmother, Sister, and friend to all.

She is survived by her son, Michael Rogers and daughter in law, Terri Rogers; a granddaughter, Sydney Rogers; a grandson, Alex Rogers; two sisters, Rory O'Grady and Claire Sheehan; and a brother, Michael Sheehan; grandson

Curtis McDonald and granddaughters Nikki McDonald, Adria Sumter and Carla Jurado.

Services and internment will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in her memory to Samaritan Healthcare & Hospice, 5 Eves Dr., Suite 300, Marlton, NJ 08053.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia A. McDonald*

October 29, 2022 at 11:57 AM

KR

*I know I'm years late but I'm sorry to hear this. "Mrs" was my absolutely favorite teacher. She was my 7th and 8th grade teacher and helped me through a difficult time. She instilled a love in me for history and reading. I was able to visit Pemberton and meet her as an adult. She was able to meet my children. I will never forget Mrs. She was an absolute treasure!*

**Katie Barlow Rosen** - January 14, 2024 at 07:06 AM



“ *Patricia A. McDonald*

October 29, 2022 at 09:53 AM

PC

“ *I knew and looked up to Pat when we both were young, and in reading the accolades from her adult friends and former students, I regret that I didn't know the wonderful adult she became. My thoughts are with her family. Peace.*  
--Pat Canavan

**Pat Canavan** - May 10, 2014 at 11:13 AM

JS

“ *I will always cherish how Pat helped me with Xmas tree ornaments n blankets when moving back into my house. When I was a little stupid she did not judge me. Unloved this women. Rest in peace Pat*

**Judy slater** - May 08, 2014 at 09:21 PM

GL

“ Mrs McDonald or "Mrs" was my favorite teacher. I was her student at Newcomb and she always made me strive for the best. I know she touched many fellow students and many who followed after us. My thoughts are with you in your time of loss, she was a truly awesome person. Gina Drussel Lucero.

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**Gina Drussel Lucero** - May 08, 2014 at 09:20 PM

KR

“ Mrs. McDonald was my 7th and 8th grade teacher at Newcomb Middle School. She had such a positive impact on my life, one that I will always cherish. "Mrs" as we affectionately called her, saw potential in me and believed in me when no one else did. I admired her confidence and how she defended us. She truly loved us. I was able to keep in touch with Pat over the years. We shared photographs of our families and kept each other up to date on our lives. I wish I had been able to see her. I love Pat beyond words and want you to know how deeply I am sorry for your loss. Kelley(Johnson) Rollins Cabot, AR

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**Kelley Rollins** - May 08, 2014 at 09:04 PM

CM

“ Carla Meyers - I was Pat's student from 7-8th grade at Newcomb Middle School. I absolutely adored her...she was like a second Mother to me and shared every significant and insignificant event in my life. Words can not convey how much my family and I will miss her. She will always be in our hearts and loved.

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**carla meyers** - May 07, 2014 at 08:27 PM



“ *It was so sad to hear that Pat passed so soon and so young. She was a wonderful mentor for many and a wonderful friend. Pat was so special to my family and shared many special events with us. We were blessed to have had such a wonderful person in our life and will truly feel her loss.*

*May God bless you all and may you find strength in each other during this difficult time.*

*Another Angel to watch over all of us.*

*Carmen E. Meyers  
Former Pemberton Twp. Teacher, Retired*

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**Carmen Meyers** - May 07, 2014 at 08:27 PM

SS

“ *I was saddened to hear of Pat's passing. I knew her for 30+ years also. We both taught in Pemberton Twp. . She was also on of my daughter's favorite teacher's. She always made her convictions known but was always there for her students. Her dedication and passion for teaching will live on in her many "kids" . She will be greatly missed.*

*Shirley Smith*

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**Shirley Smith** - May 06, 2014 at 06:41 PM

WF

“ *I read the obituary about the loss of your loved one and I extend my sincere condolences. Death is truly an enemy but there is comfort in the Holy Scriptures that “God will actually swallow up death forever and certainly wipe the tears from all faces.” Isaiah 25:8?*

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**WILLIAMS FAMILY** - May 06, 2014 at 02:47 PM

NE

“ I was very saddened to hear about Pat's passing. I knew Pat for 30+years as we both worked for the Pemberton Township School District. I always enjoyed our conversations. She was a strong person who fought for everything she believed in.

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**Nancy Eaton** - May 06, 2014 at 12:06 PM

KD

“ Hello Michael,  
Your mom was a true friend to me. As peers we discussed education philosophies, politics, sports and of course your athletic career at RV. Surprisingly :) we did not always agree with each other but we both enjoyed the banter. She loved playing the devil's advocate. Your mom was so proud of you and your family. We will all miss her but know that she made such a positive impact on so many. My wife and I extend our deepest sympathies.  
Kevin Dugan

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**Kevin Dugan** - May 06, 2014 at 08:09 AM

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“ I am one of those 7th and 8th grade students on which Mrs. McDonald has been a lasting influence... She was an amazing teacher and person... She wouldn't accept less than one's very best. I always looked forward to her current events lessons, and was so proud of the work that I did with her through ROGATE... An extraordinary woman taken too soon.

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**Natalie Fleming (Vancho)** - May 05, 2014 at 10:16 PM



Jennifer  
Broderick  
Soto

“ My condolences to the family and friends of "Mrs. McDonald". Pat was a passionate educator who pushed every student who walked through her doorway to reach their full potential. She was the toughest teacher, but one of the best, I have ever had. She always spoke to us about "when" we would go to college, not "if", a tactic I use with my own students today. It was always a pleasure to run into her over the years, and I hope that she knew how many lives she touched and changed.

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**Jennifer Broderick Soto** - May 05, 2014 at 08:29 PM

PN

“ Helen Fort 91-93. We didn't understand her significance until years later but it was our honor to have her as a teacher. Without question one of the top teachers in the history of Pemberton.

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**Pat Gazzara, Toms River, NJ** - May 05, 2014 at 06:57 PM

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“ My sympathies and prayers to the family and friends of Mrs. McDonald. It was my privilege to have been her student from 1979-1981 at Newcomb. She was bold, intelligent, passionate, and a truly awe inspiring educator. She is one of my most treasured memories and it is my honor to have known her.

- Michelle Christy (Smith)

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**Michelle Christy (Smith)** - May 05, 2014 at 03:36 PM

DF

“ Best teacher ever!!!! Loved her class.  
Dawn Fajerman

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**Dawn Fajerman** - May 05, 2014 at 09:11 AM

DC

“ To the family of Pat McDonald, my condolences. So sincerely, I can say that "Mrs. McDonald" was an inspiration to me. I was in her 8th grade class during the 1976-1977 academic year at Newcomb Middle School. We lost touch for a little while...but in the early 90's we ran into each other at "of all places" motor vehicles. Since that time we sent cards at the holidays...

*Family members...she loved all of you and told me so every year. Cherish your memories and know that her love lives on. - Denise Travis Coughlin*

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**Denise Travis Cpughlin** - May 05, 2014 at 08:57 AM

RF

“ You were the best teacher I ever had and probably the reason I'm now an English teacher. You'll be missed, Mrs.

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**Rich Furlong** - May 05, 2014 at 05:59 AM

AB

“ Michael and Teri, Michael, Claire and Rory. We are deeply saddened by Pat's passing. We hope you find peace and comfort in knowing what a great person Pat is and how proud she was of her entire family. It was her entire conversation. She sent us pictures of her grandchildren every Christmas. Catherine Burns family.

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**Anne Burns** - May 04, 2014 at 07:55 PM