



## Deloris Bridy McFadden

April 17, 1932 - July 11, 2020

Deloris Bridy McFadden (1932 - 2020)

Deloris Bridy McFadden died peacefully on July 11, 2020, while visiting family in Denver, Colorado. Deloris was born April 17, 1932, the only child of Helen (Stankiewicz) Perginskie and Albert Bridy, in Atlas, PA. She lived in Atlas until she graduated from Mount Carmel Township High School in 1949. Following graduation, Deloris moved to Philadelphia, PA to attend St. Mary's Hospital School of Nursing. She married James Vincent McFadden on April 28, 1951, moved to Mount Carmel, PA, and subsequently to Springfield, PA in 1962. Deloris and James remained married until his death in 1989.

When her youngest child was college age, Deloris fulfilled a lifelong dream and began her studies at Widener University. Graduating with a bachelor's degree in Behavioral Science. in 1984, Deloris joined the teaching staff at the Academy of Notre Dame de Namur, Villanova, PA. She embraced teaching, bringing her education and life experiences to create a unique middle school history and social studies learning environment. Deloris encouraged active participation by her students in National History Day, where her students actually became enmeshed in the character/time period chosen, and saw many students advance to the regional and state competitions.

Once retired, Deloris traveled the world. Of the many trips, two provided

lasting memories - exploring the origins of her faith in Israel as well as her cultural heritage in eastern Europe.

A woman of deep faith, Deloris was active for many years with her parish, St. Francis of Assisi. She particularly embraced the parish Elizabeth Ministry, which reaches out to women and their families during times of joy and sorrow in childbearing years.

Deloris thoroughly loved being a grand (and great grand) mother. From sending books back and forth, to many phone calls on a weekly basis, as well as travel and shopping adventures, Deloris found great joy as a grandparent.

She was preceded in death by her husband, as well as children Sean McFadden, Maureen McFadden and James Patrick McFadden. She is survived by 5 children, Kathleen McFadden Rupprecht, Sheila McFadden Donnelly. Colleen McFadden, Patrick McFadden, Timothy McFadden and daughter in law Stefanie Leone McFadden; 15 grandchildren, Kevin McFadden; Matthew McFadden; Joseph Donnelly; Catherine Donnelly; Steven Donnelly; Hakan Corapcioglu; Eren Corapcioglu; Aylin Corapcioglu; Sean Patrick McFadden; Cailin McFadden; Devin McFadden; Shealen McFadden; Madison McFadden; Callan McFadden; Brecklyn McFadden; and 5 great grandchildren, Connor McFadden, Logan McFadden; Quinn McFadden; Carleigh McFadden; and Jameson McFadden.

A funeral mass will be held on July 30, 2020, at 11 am, at St. Francis of Assisi Parish Church, 136 Saxer Avenue, Springfield, PA 19064. Visitation precedes the funeral mass, from 10 am to 11 am, at St. Francis. Donations in lieu of flowers may be sent to the Elizabeth Ministry, at the same address.

Interment will be in SS Peter & Paul Cemetery, Springfield, PA.



# Tribute Wall



“ *Deloris Bridy McFadden*

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October 22, 2023 at 05:57 PM



“ *I am so very sad and sorry to hear about Mrs. McFadden's loss. She was a remarkable woman, one of the best teachers I've ever had, and someone whose confidence in me, as one of her preteen students, changed my life immeasurably for the better. Mrs. McFadden's encouragement for me to aim high in History Day, which brought me to Penn State a couple of times, and her daily support and friendship in and out of the classroom were invaluable during my time at Notre Dame. I would not be the adult I am today without her, and I cannot express how grateful I am for her presence in my life.*

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July 29, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ *Mrs. McFadden was an extraordinary woman and teacher, and someone who changed my life immeasurably for the better. My deepest condolences on her loss.*

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**Beautiful in Blue** - July 29, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ *With deepest sympathy,*

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**Florist Choice Bouquet** - July 29, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Mrs. McFadden was my 7th and 8th grade social studies teacher, and she is a major reason why I am a teacher today. Her high expectations and encouragement made learning an absolute joy. I still remember the way she would effortlessly weave stories about her children and grandchildren into our lessons. She was an incredible woman and she will be missed! I am so sorry for your loss!

July 28, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Mom, thank you for all you've done for so many of us. We miss you and love you. Cailin, Devin, Sean, Cheryl, and me...Paddy.

**Bountiful Rose Basket** - July 28, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Our warmest and heartfelt condolences to the McFadden Family.

**Sweet Tranquility Basket** - July 28, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept our heartfelt condolences for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

**Sentiments of Serenity Spray** - July 28, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss... Our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.

**Rose Remembrance** - July 27, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ I only met Deloris a few times, but always enjoyed seeing her. I am so sorry for your loss.

July 27, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Colleen and Family - Deloris sounded like one heck of a woman....not surprising. Thinking of your family from the West Coast.

**Your Light Shines** - July 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ With deepest sympathy, The Tomasetti Family

**Magnificent Life Spray** - July 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ I, too, worked with Deloris at Notre Dame and admired her as a colleague. As a mother, though, I am especially grateful for Deloris and the beautiful, vital role she had in the raising of my own daughters. It takes a village, they say, and Deloris was a loving, conscientious, trustworthy woman who knew how precious her students were and always let them know that she knew! Sending love and prayers for comfort in your loss.

July 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ I am sorry for your loss, Tim and Colleen. I remember your mom fondly, as both a colleague and teacher of my two youngest girls. Dolores blessed and graced us all by her presence in the Notre Dame community. Her wit, dedication to students, and exceptionalism in the classroom marked her impact on many down the years. Personally I'll never forget the "Witch on the door" symbol she used to warn her students to watch what they said to her on the occasional days . So disarming.

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July 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ For Deloris McFadden, who leaves a legacy of strong and powerful women in her wake

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July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Have a great time in heaven, Deloris. Ill look for you when I get there. Love, Jeannie Hayward.

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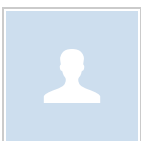
**Large Basket Garden** - July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ I loved it when Deloris would come to Denver for a visit. She Colleen and I would have great lunches. I loved it when Deloris would tell stories about Colleen. I am so sorry for your loss, Colleen. I'm so glad I got to see your mother just days before her death.

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**Heart** - July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ Sorry for your loss Tim and Colleen

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July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ I will always remember looking down the junior school hallway and seeing Deloris surrounded by her students. They always looked at her with great love! She was a true teacher and I learned a lot from her as a fellow teacher. My deepest sympathy, Mary Monck

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July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ loris enjoyed teaching her students about social studies. She loved teaching young woman how to excel academically . I am grateful to have worked with and learned from Deloris. Rest In Peace, dear colleague.

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July 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ I had the honor of working with Deloris as an incoming teacher at the Academy of Notre Dame in 1995. At this time as an experienced high school Social Studies teacher of many years I was so blessed to be a grade 6 Geography colleague. This was a new experience and we really partnered in Waldo experiences on MAC app(?) for the girls. It was fabulous. Deloris was the best and I learned so very much in terms of what "we need to know for life." Deloris welcomed her students in a loving way including my own daughter into grade 6. Deloris was there for her students and was a wonderful asset to the Academy of Notre Dame. May She Rest In Peace! God bless!



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July 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM



“ *My favorite memories of Doloris definitely revolve around her enthusiasm and dedication to history day. She inspired my daughter and her classmates to the extent that many of her students earned the chance to compete every year at Penn State. I accompanied Dolores one of the years my daughter competed at State College and, in addition to learning lots, we all had a great time because Doloris' sense of humor and appetite for a good time rivaled even her enthusiasm for history.*

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July 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM