



# Katherine McDermott

MAY 19, 1928 - JUL 29, 2013



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## **Katherine McDermott**

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**K**atherine A. McDermott, age 85, of Amherst, formerly of Lorain passed away peacefully at her home on Monday, July 29, 2013 surrounded by her family under the care of New Life Hospice. She was born on May 19, 1928 in Mather, Pennsylvania to Michael and Catherine (nee Kurtyka) Zahratka.

She was a 1946 graduate of Jefferson District High School. After graduation from high school she obtained her R.N. degree at Mercy Hospital School of Nursing. She worked the majority of her career in the Emergency Room at St. Joseph Hospital in Lorain. At age 47, Katherine was one of the first in Lorain County to become a Certified Nurse Practitioner. She retired in 1989 after 40 years of nursing.

Katherine was a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church, Amherst and a former member of St. John's Catholic Church, Lorain now St. Francis Xavier Cabrini. She was a Eucharistic Minister and member of the Altar and Rosary Society at St. John's. She volunteered for many years at New Life Hospice, Lorain. She avid reader and enjoyed watching movies.

She is survived by her children, Daniel McDermott (Laura) of Rocky River, Patricia Raftery (Dennis) of Alpharetta, Georgia, Micki Tubbs (Michelle Tomallo) of Cleveland, Kathleen Bartlome (Bob) of Amherst, Kevin McDermott of New York, New York, Michael McDermott, of Fredericksburg, Virginia and Brian McDermott (Lori) of Fredericksburg, Virginia; grandchildren: Anthony Tubbs, Caitlin McDermott, Alison Tubbs, Adam Tubbs, Matthew Raftery, Nicole Novotny, Jennifer Brewer, Eric Raftery, Paige McDermott, Sean McDermott, Nathan McDermott, Ryan McDermott, Zeke McDermott, Isabella McDermott, Gianna McDermott and Jackson McDermott; brothers, Michael Zahratka, of Amherst, Robert Zahratka, of Amherst, Richard Zahratka, of Lorain; and sister, Diane Zahratka, of Lorain.

Katherine was preceded in death by her husband of 53 years, Albert J. McDermott; parents, Michael and Catherine Zahratka; brother, John Zahratka; sisters, Dorothy



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Paskvan, Louise Urda, Patricia Weisheit and Mary Jane McPhillips.

The McDermott family will receive friends on Tuesday, July 30, 2013 from 4:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the Dovin and Reber Jones Funeral & Cremation Center, 1110 Cooper Foster Park Road, Amherst. Closing prayers will be said on Wednesday, July 31, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. in the funeral center followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 200 St. Joseph Drive, Amherst. Interment will follow in Calvary Cemetery, Lorain.

Online condolences may be left for the McDermott family at

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# Events

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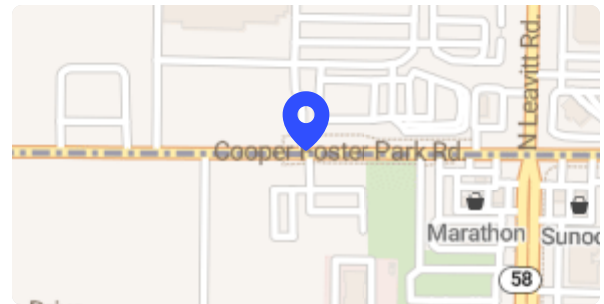
## Visitation

 **Tuesday**, July 30, 2013

 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM ET


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1110 Cooper Foster Park Road, Amherst OH 44001



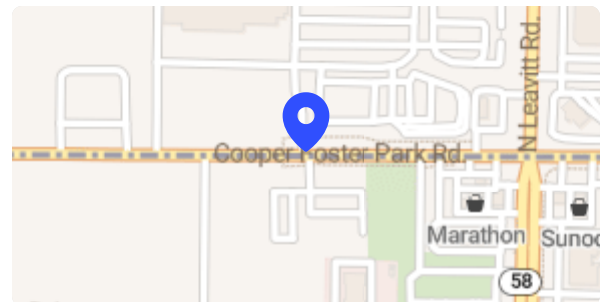
## Prayer Service

 **Wednesday**, July 31, 2013

 9:30 AM ET


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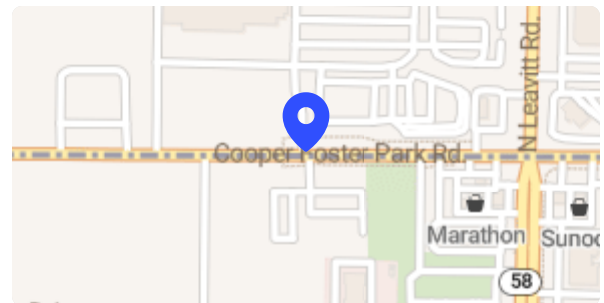
## Mass of Christian Burial

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 10:00 AM ET

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BN

**Beatrice Shannon - Willoughby Hills, Oh - None** posted:

Sorry for your loss. My family is looking for relatives of our uncle, Francis McDermott who resided in Carmel, California for most of his life. He came from a large family on Cleveland's west side. He had a brother, Jim ( Edward J, ) a niece Doreen, and many brothers and sisters we never met. Uncle Fran married our Aunt Molly Kracker iin the 1950's. They had no children. This would be an older generation to you- probably great uncle, etc.

August 5 at 8:00 PM

AF

**Alison Ibsen And Fred Makonnen - Cleveland, Oh - Friend** posted:

Micki, Michelle and the McDermott Family -We are so sorry to learn of Kate's passing. Our thoughts and prayers are with you as you mourn your loss and celebrate the life of such an extraordinary woman. Alison and Fred

August 3 at 8:00 PM

KP

**Kerin And Jacquie Raftery - Princeton, Nj** posted:

Kerin and I were so sorry to learn of Katherine's passing. We remember with fondness her visit to our home in France. She was a gracious guest and lovely lady.

August 2 at 8:00 PM

CN

**Catherine Myrick (Rosario) - Silver Spring, Md - Great Niece** posted:

I was so sorry to hear of the loss of dear great aunt Kate. I always enjoyed seeing her, and felt so special that she always remembered who I was even though I did not see her often during the past 15 years. She will be missed.

July 30 at 8:00 PM

DF

**Donna Morris - Fredericksburg, Va** posted:

Mike, Brian, and the McDermott family, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your mother, Katherine. I am certain you all make her proud each and every day. Please accept my heartfelt sympathy and know that my prayers are with you during this difficult time. You have many friends and co-workers who are thinking of you. God Bless, Donna Morris

July 30 at 8:00 PM



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**Orlando "Hondo" Rodriguez - Vermilion, Oh - Kevin's Classmate And Neighbor** posted:

Very sorry for your loss. She is in our prayers.

July 30 at 8:00 PM

MN

**Mary Jo And Jerry Bish - Pemberville, Oh - Niece** posted:

I remember telling my mom that Aunt Kate always had her lips pressed together not looking like she was going to smile. My mom responded that she smiled with her eyes. I paid more attention, and Mom was right, Aunt Kate's eyes did the smiling for her. Peace be with you.

July 29 at 8:00 PM

CT

**Christie Barkan - Tremont, Oh - Grandmother Through Adam Tubbs** posted:

Grandma McDermott-I can not even tell you the number of ways you and your family have changed my life. I am so proud to say I am part of something you created and I hope to continue the growth of this family while displaying the grace, love and acceptance you have shown. Thank you for giving me the privilege of getting to know you.You will be missed dearly.Christie

July 29 at 8:00 PM

BF

**Beau Daane - Bratenahl, Oh - Friend** posted:

So sorry to hear the news. Glad I got to meet her many times at 4th of July and other parties. Our thoughts and prayers are with you!

July 29 at 8:00 PM

MF

**Molly Wilsbacher - Columbus, Oh - Friend Of Family** posted:

Dear Dan,I was saddened to hear the news of your mother's passing. I will keep you and your entire family in my prayers and will light a candle at my church this coming Sunday in your mother's honor.With great sympathy,Molly

July 29 at 8:00 PM



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**Nora And Jerry Gray - Lincroft, Nj - Family** posted:

Death leaves a heartache no one can heal, love leaves a memory no one can steal. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Love Nora, Jerry & family.

July 29 at 8:00 PM

GN

**Glen Darnos - Ypsilanti, Mi - Former Neighbor** posted:

Sorry to hear of the passing of Mrs. McDermott. Thoughts and prayers to all the family.

July 29 at 8:00 PM

LM

**Luz Pellot And Stamy Paul - Cleveland, Oh - Friends Of Micki And Michelle** posted:

Our thoughts and prayers go out to you and your family.

July 29 at 8:00 PM

NF

**Nancy Hanson - Rocky River, Oh - Friend** posted:

Dear Dan and Laura, We were so sorry to hear about the passing of your mom and mother-in-law. She must have been a very wonderful woman Dan, because you are such a great person. Like you said in your email, Laura, she's with Dan's dad smiling on the wonderful family that they created. They are your angels now. If you need anything, we're just around the corner. Nancy and Jay Hanson

July 28 at 8:00 PM

JM

**John & Kari Newman - Manchester, Mi - Friend Of Micki & Michelle** posted:

We're very sorry to hear this news. You are in our hearts and prayers with extra love.

July 28 at 8:00 PM

AF

**Allan Paul - Bluffton, Sc - Friend** posted:

So sorry to here the news. Chris and I will keep you all in our prayers

July 28 at 8:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Katherine by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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