



Mary Joan McNulty

October 28, 2021

Mary Joan McNulty of Stafford VA, 79, was born on November 21, 1941, in Washington D.C. She was the first child of Edward and Gladys Healey. She passed away on October 28, 2021 after a sudden illness.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Donald McNulty, her brother, Eddie Healey and her parents. She is survived by her sister, Sheila Healey of Silver Spring, Maryland; her sister-in-law, Angela Healey of College Park, Maryland and her children: Maureen McNulty-Stephens (Andrew Stephens) of Annandale, Virginia, Shawn McNulty (Julie) and Brian McNulty (Traci) both of Stafford, Virginia. In addition, she is survived by her grandchildren: Elijah Millard (Vi), Aidan McNulty (Rachael), Tesia McNulty, Luke McNulty, Clare McNulty, Hannah McNulty, Mairin Mitchell (Peter), Landon Boyd, Kiernan McNulty, Meghan McNulty, Hunter Boyd, Faith McNulty, Maeve McNulty, Killian McNulty, EJ Healey, Tallulah McNulty and great grandchildren: Finnian, Éilis, Nancy, and Seamus.

Mary Jo graduated from Sacred Heart Academy in Washington, DC. After graduating high school she worked for the CIA until shortly after her marriage to Don in 1960. After her children were all in school, she joined the staff at Minnieland Academy as a teacher of 3-year olds and later on as an assistant director. Throughout her adult life she maintained close contact with friends from childhood, friends from the Alexandria Police Department, as well as

coworkers from Minnieland Academy. No one was a stranger and could become friends with the person behind her in the grocery store line. She was full of joy and had a genuine interest in the well-being of others.

Mary Jo always placed her family at the top of her priority list. She adored her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. She looked forward to text messages with pictures and videos of them every day. She was a proud supporter and attended their sporting events, school plays and awards ceremonies. In her younger years, she could be seen racing her son down the field along the sidelines cheering him on to the end zone! She was everyone's biggest supporter and president of their individual fan clubs. She ran "Nana's preschool" for several of her grandchildren at home and taught them many skills including how to write their name. She was known for her creativity and talents. She could create toys and games from scraps and whatever was on hand. She was an artist in her own right.

Mary Jo was a devout Catholic. She had a great love for our Lord and a special devotion to Our Lady. She prayed her rosary daily and especially enjoyed praying with her good friend Pat via facetime. She was a member of St. William of York parish and a faithful supporter of the pro-life group. If you were fortunate enough to meet or know Mary Jo, she offered kindness, love, positivity and always a smile. She lived her life as an example for others. Her impact on others, especially children will be felt forever. She was everyone's Nana and will be missed greatly!

Thank you to all of our amazing friends and family who have supported us through this difficult time. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Birthright or the Alzheimer's Association.

Cemetery Details

Quantico National Cemetery

18424 Joplin Rd
Triangle, VA 22172

Previous Events

Viewing

NOV 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Miller Funeral Home & Crematory, Inc.
3200 Golansky Blvd.
Woodbridge, VA 22192
703-878-CARE (2273)
<https://millerfuneralhome.net/>

Mass of Christian Burial

NOV 12. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. William of York Catholic Church
3130 Jefferson Davis Highway
Stafford, VA 22554

Interment

NOV 12. 1:00 PM (ET)

Quantico National Cemetery
18424 Joplin Rd
Triangle, VA 22172

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Joan McNulty*

January 12, 2023 at 12:00 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mary Joan McNulty.*



November 11, 2021 at 03:49 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Joan McNulty.*



November 10, 2021 at 09:20 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mary Joan McNulty.*



November 10, 2021 at 04:18 PM

AC

“ *Mary Jo has always been loving , kind and welcoming towards me and my family! We will miss her jokes, her dancing, her warmth and mostly her love!!! Peace and blessings to the McNulty family and friends.*

-The Covington's

Andrea Covington - November 10, 2021 at 07:47 AM

PL

“ *Condolences to the McNulty and Healey family. Mary Jo and I have been friends for 75 years; growing up in Washington, D.C. we enjoyed a wonderful childhood. I was present the day she met her beloved Don and was in their wedding 60 years ago. Our marriages took us to different localities where we raised our families. Our love for one another remained strong. We talked frequently sharing good and bad times and got together when possible. She was warm, loving and had a great sense of humor; loved her Lord, family and friends. I shall cherish the strong bond we had. Rest In Peace my friend. I love you. Paulette*

Paulette Lane - November 09, 2021 at 04:08 PM

KA

“ *Kathy purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Mary Joan McNulty.*



Kathy - November 09, 2021 at 04:00 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mary Joan McNulty.*



November 09, 2021 at 12:44 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Joan McNulty.*



November 09, 2021 at 08:15 AM



“ *Sentimental Dreams was purchased for the family of Mary Joan McNulty.*



November 08, 2021 at 10:02 PM



“ *i have many found memories of marry jo when we lived in park fairfax at the same time at that time my name was kaye edwards later i married joe martin and don and my husband work together at alexandria police department they where a very loving family.*

Kaye Martin - November 08, 2021 at 12:30 PM

TD

“ *The LtCol John A Dowd USMC LAOH division purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mary Joan McNulty.*



The LtCol John A Dowd USMC LAOH division - November 07, 2021 at 01:49 PM

PH

“ *Pat And Olia Hopkins sent a virtual gift in memory of Mary Joan McNulty*



Pat and Olia Hopkins - November 06, 2021 at 11:14 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Mary Joan McNulty.*



November 04, 2021 at 03:58 PM

BA

“ *The whole McNulty family!!!! My Heartfelt condolences go out to each and every one of you! Your mother, grandmother, nana, aunt, and friend was one of a kind. She was the most incredibly special sincere unique and honest person I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. I have enjoyed having her as my BEST and DEAREST friend for the last 28 years. We have laughed and cried together, shared so much of our lives together and I will miss her more than words could ever express. I am very happy for her that she is HOME with Jesus and the angels. I'm sure she has a front row seat. She's thrilled I'm sure to be back with Don and all her loved ones that have previously passed on. We can all count on the fact she will be watching over us all the time. Rest in Peace, May Perpetual Light Shine upon you. Until we meet again, Aunt Mary Jo, may God hold you in the palm of his hand. I love you more always*❤️



BethAnn Asplund - November 02, 2021 at 06:10 PM

VJ

*Dear Family of Mary Jo,
We met on Farragut St when we both attended St Gabriel's. Another friend, Paulette, and us were best friends through grade school. I knew her parents and family like my family. Moving to Florida in 1955 and then coming back for her wedding staying with her in the family home is such a wonderful memory. She was certainly everyone's best friend! Her mom and dad were the happiest people ever and Mary Jo carried that happiness with her. I'll never forget her. Love to all of you. V. Carol Clapp Jackson*

Virginia Carol Jackson - November 03, 2021 at 03:17 PM

BM

My heartfelt sympathy to Mary Jo's children, grandchildren, great grandchildren and Sheila. Mary Jo and I are cousins. We live miles apart. But, when we were small we enjoyed being together. It's a shock to loose her. My love and sympathy to all her close friends and family. Rest in Peace, Mary Jo. Love - Barbara

Barbara McKenzie - November 04, 2021 at 09:37 PM