



Patricia MacDonald

July 4, 1937 - July 2, 2011

ADRIAN – Patricia MacDonald, 73, of Adrian, passed away unexpectedly Saturday, July 2, 2011 at her home.

Patricia was born July 4, 1937, in Findlay, Ohio, the youngest child of Floyd and Oletha (Folk) Monasmith. She graduated from Findlay High School, and received a Bachelor's Degree from Bowling Green State University where she was a member of the synchronized swim team and, just in recent years, was awarded a varsity letter. Later, she received a Master's Degree in counseling from Siena Heights University.

Pat taught physical education at Drager Middle School for over 30 years, retiring in 1995. She organized the first Starfish Synchronized Swim Team at Drager. Well-known and loved in the neighborhood, Pat shared her beautiful hand-made baskets and artwork with friends and neighbors. She was a talented gardener, and created a lovely sanctuary in her back yard. Pat was a member of the Eagles.

Pat is survived by her children: Leslie (Robert) Murphy of Marshall, MI; Stuart (Lori) MacDonald and Tracy MacDonald both of Adrian; their father, Paul (Mindy) MacDonald also of Adrian; two grandchildren, Brandon and Holly Murphy; a brother, William Monasmith of Alpena, MI; and three nieces, Beth Ann, Susie, and Amy.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

The funeral service for Pat will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday, July 6, 2011 at Wagley Funeral Home with Rev. Linda Farley officiating. Burial will be private. Visitation will be held on Wednesday from 1:00 p.m. until the service. Contributions in memory of Pat may be made to the Colonial Williamsburg Foundation. You may also sign the register book or send condolences at www.WagleyFuneralHome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia MacDonald*

January 28, 2023 at 12:24 PM



“ *I was looking in my BGSU magazine and saw where Pat had passed away, and I was so shocked. I went to school with Mono (her nickname then), at BG, and swam with her in Swan Club. What a fun and loving person she was. I am so sorry for her passing, and will keep you in my thoughts and prayers during your time of grieving. I hope she did not have to suffer.*

Warmly,

Gladys Griesmer Barnard 1960##imported-begin##Gladys Griesmer Barnard##imported-end##

January 13, 2012 at 11:28 AM



“ I just heard about Pat MacDonald's passing and it makes me very sad to know I will never have the chance to talk with her again. I used to be her Daily Telegam delivery person 1992-1998. At that time, the paper used to have employees manually collect payments for paper subscriptions. I remember knocking on Mrs. MacDonald's door every month and she'd invite me in so she could make out a check. Our conversation always diverted into interesting things, whether she was giving me advice on schoolwork or showing me her interests in art, gardening, and travel. She'd let me look at a coffee table book on Colonial Williamsburg, give me the occasional dried flower, and at one time, she gave me a few pieces of art she no longer wanted. I still have them and really treasure that they were made by someone i knew and admired. I have to say that as the years passed and I no longer worked as a paper delivery person, I graduated high school, went to college, and made my residence in another state, I didn't make it back through the "old neighborhood" to see my favorite customers like Mrs. MacDonald. I regret I didn't drop a note or stop by on one of my family visits. It's a lesson for us all: Life is short, don't let it pass you by. I wish her famiy and friends comfort in this hard time.

Bless you all,
Nicole Schall-Plotner, Chicago##imported-begin##Nicole Schall-Plotner##imported-end##

July 14, 2011 at 03:50 PM



“ I would like to extend my heartfelt sympathies to the family of Patty Mc Donald. I just saw her obituary in the paper & was shocked to learn of her passing. She was my gym teacher in middle school in the late 60"s & we became friends in the 80's at the Eagle's Club. My prayer's & support go out to you now. I will truely miss her.##imported-begin##Sandra LaHart##imported-end##

July 07, 2011 at 08:04 AM



“ I remember working with Pat at both Drager and Michener. I always talking with her. Later, when we were both retired, it was always fun to talk about flowers when I walked by her house. We will miss you, Pat.##imported-begin##Ellen Hicks##imported-end##

July 06, 2011 at 06:25 PM



“ When I started teaching at Drager I was just out of college and hired to teach 7th grade math. I made it through my first morning and then Pat popped through my door inviting me to lunch. I was so thankful to see a friendly face:) She took me to the lunchroom and introduced me to other faculty members and made sure I could find my way back to my room. I will always be grateful for that experience because I always made sure any new faculty that joined our staff found their way to the lunchroom.##imported-begin##Mary Betzoldt##imported-end##

July 06, 2011 at 01:12 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to the McDonald family on the loss of your loved one. Patricia, mi amiga, I will miss your crazy laugh, so many good times,so many wonderful memories. May you rest in peace.##imported-begin##Maria E. Ochoa##imported-end##

July 05, 2011 at 09:23 PM



“ TO THE WHOLE MACDONALD FAMILLY
VERN AND I WANT TO SEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY FOR
THE LOSS
OF YOUR MOTHER, MOTHER-IN-LAW
GRANDMOTHER AND COUSIN, UNCLE
AUNT, BROTHER,SISTER.

YOU WILL BE IN OUR PRAYS AT THIS TIME
OF YOUR LOSS.##imported-begin##BONNIE AND VERN
GOLL##imported-end##

July 05, 2011 at 03:27 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Try to look at the brighter
side of things... she is a legend with her past students and she was
a great role model for so many kids. She lives on in each of them
and what she taught them will be carried through generations. She
will be missed but her memories will outlive us all.
Our deepest sympathy,
Keith and Cathy##imported-begin##Keith and Cathy
Yensch##imported-end##

July 05, 2011 at 02:35 PM



“ Pat and I taught at Michener School for many years. I am so sad to hear of her passing and want to give my deepest sympathies to her family.

Rehearsing in the gym for music programs was never a hassle because Pat let all the pressures roll and I can remember her laughing and always encouraging me. She was like that. Fun to be around.

Pat touched so many lives and her loss will felt by so many. Whenever I saw her, she talked so proudly and lovingly about her kids and grandchildren.

Peggy###imported-begin###Peggy Snead###imported-end###

July 05, 2011 at 10:44 AM



“ Mrs. "MAC" was the first teacher I met during my teaching days.....her marvelously gifted sense of humor, guidance, and wisdom mentored me well. SHE WAS UNFLAPPABLE....when I bought "ZELDA'S", Mrs. MAC would stop in to say hi...and in the grocery store, we would catch up on events...I TRULY ADORED MRS MAC....her strength, her caring, and TO THE FAMILY....my heartfelt sympathies to you all...IT WAS A PRIVILEGE TO KNOW YOUR MOTHER..I SHALL MISS HER DEARLY...my condolences to you all...love, "ZELDA"...###imported-begin###ami jo walters....(zelda)###imported-end###

July 05, 2011 at 08:24 AM



“ To the family,
Pat was a good friend and fellow teacher. I remember our days at Drager camp, especially the fun we had pretending that BIG FOOT had walked thru the campground. She had a great sense of humor and truly enjoyed the kids in phys ed. She will be missed and I'll hold her memory dear. My sympathy goes out to the family, I know she'll be missed by all.

Sincerely,

Jeanne Tarchalski, teacher Drager##imported-begin##Jeanne Tarchalski##imported-end##

July 04, 2011 at 07:52 PM



“ The members of Lenawee County Retired School Personnel express their sympathy to the family of Patricia MacDonald upon the death of their Mother & Grandmother. Pat has influenced many students through out her teaching years.

Our love and prayers to her family.##imported-begin##Jane Waldo##imported-end##

July 04, 2011 at 11:38 AM



“ I spent several a cold night talking with Patricia at "The Haunting". I remember how I liked to make her laugh...and how I appreciated her sense of humor. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Benjamin Carrico##imported-end##

July 03, 2011 at 11:43 PM



“ I will always remember Pat as a kind and helpful colleague. She was very supportive in my early career days and I always loved the hearty laughter! Will miss you a lot Pat!##imported-begin##tom Bytwork##imported-end##

July 03, 2011 at 02:57 PM