



Rev. Catherine Jane McDonald

October 6, 1938 - April 18, 2021

McDonald, The Rev. Catherine J. "Cathy" age 82, of Maple Grove, died peacefully and quietly from cancer on April 18, 2021. Survived by loving husband of 59 years, John; children, Richard McDonald, Nancy (Christopher) Jenkins; grandchildren, Kimberly (Tony), Olivia, Thomas, Natalie and Matthias; brother, Horace (Donna) Walter. Preceded in death by grandson, Eli. Cathy spent the majority of her professional life in the service of others. After teaching first grade and raising her children, she attended United Theological Seminary and was the fifth woman ordained to the priesthood in Minnesota. She worked as chaplain at the State Hospital in Fergus Falls Minnesota. She then worked as a chaplain for the women's prison in Shakopee. She "retired" briefly but then felt called to work as a chaplain at the veteran's home in Hastings. Cathy had a heart for the people that society sometimes forgets. She continued to work as a supply priest even through her battle with cancer. She was an example to many and will be dearly missed. Visitation 1-3pm Monday April 26th with 3pm Funeral Service at Washburn-McReavy Glen Haven Chapel, 5125 West Broadway, Crystal, MN. For those who prefer to attend the funeral virtually, please do so at Churchoftheepiphanymn.com and click on the facebook icon in the upper right hand corner and look under events. There will be a celebration of Life at the Church of the Epiphany (Plymouth) at a later time. In lieu of flowers memorials preferred to Peter's Hope in Bamburi, Kenya petershope.org or Church of the Epiphany, Episcopal. Churchoftheepiphanymn.com Washburn-McReavy.com Glen

Haven Chapel 763-533-8643

Previous Events

Chapel Service

APR **26**. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Glen Haven Chapel
5125 West Broadway
Crystal, MN 55429
(763) 533-8643
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Tribute Wall

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“ Praying for my old friend and teammate, Rick, and for the entire McDonald family, as you go through this challenging time.
Blessings, Chris Wasberg

Chris Wasberg - April 26, 2021 at 04:03 PM



“ Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Rev. Catherine Jane McDonald.



April 23, 2021 at 07:01 PM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Rev. Catherine Jane McDonald.



April 23, 2021 at 04:41 PM

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“ Dear John and family,
I am so sorry to learn of your loss. Cathy was such a vibrant person, always there with a helping hand. I considered her an honorary member of Chorus Polaris and will miss her very much!
In sympathy,
Ginny Levi

Ginny Levi - April 23, 2021 at 03:01 PM

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“ *Chaplain McDonald was a gracious, thoughtful and warm person to women offenders and staff at the women’s prison in Shakopee. She was always available with a listening ear and gave encouragement to everyone. I was lucky to have worked with her. Connie Roehrich*

Connie Roehrich - April 21, 2021 at 03:23 PM