



Patricia McColgan

March 21, 1932 - May 7, 2024

Patricia McColgan, who taught elementary school children in Baltimore and Howard counties for three decades and was a lover of books, travel and the beach, died May 7 after a brief illness. She died less than two months after celebrating her 92nd birthday.

The Princeton, New Jersey, native was a mother of three and beloved grandmother, great grandmother and aunt.

She graduated from Towson State Teachers College (now Towson University) with a degree in early childhood education.

The former Patricia Mary Jackson met her future husband John A. McColgan while they were both students at Towson. They married in 1956, beginning a lifetime of adventure that took the former Westinghouse marketing executive and his wife of 64 years to extended stays in Ireland, Micronesia and Iran. At home, the couple raised their three children in Catonsville and then Howard County. She worked as a teacher at Halethorpe Elementary School and later several other locations in Howard County.

Mrs. McColgan loved lounging on her porch, playing bridge or entertaining a huge extended family for Thanksgiving or at her backyard pool on Centennial Lane. She also cherished her Irish heritage, was an excellent baker and

devoted to praying the rosary.

Noted for her quick Irish wit, she often said she had an idyllic youth growing up in Princeton, regaling friends and relatives with stories about her time there. She loved dining out and fine clothes, but didn't have a pretentious bone in her body, according to her youngest daughter, Amy Page.

Her daughter also said she was notorious for collecting strays of any kind – cats or people – with anyone and everyone welcome at her house.

She was predeceased by her husband, John, and daughter Mary Frances Howard.

She is survived by son Timothy McColgan (Michele) of Apopka, Fla.; daughter Amy Page (Thomas), son-in-law R. Michael Howard of Ellicott City, Md.; granddaughter Fallon Laque (Harold) of Severna Park, Md.; grandson Timothy Spence McColgan of Palm Beach, Fla.; granddaughter Megan Blanco (Yunior) of Chestertown, Md.; grandson Robert Howard of Ellicott City, Md.; grandson Colin Howard of Baltimore; great grandchildren Anna Page Blanco, Harold William Laque IV and Juliana Marie Blanco; as well as numerous cousins, nieces and nephews, who she loved immensely.

A visitation will be held on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 from 11 am - 12:30 pm at Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home in Chester, MD, with a Funeral Service to follow at 1 pm at St. Christopher's Catholic Church 1861 Harbor Dr. Chester, MD 21619.

Previous Events

Visitation

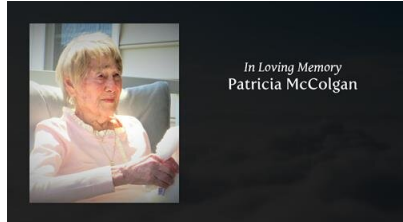
MAY 14. 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM (ET)

Fellows, Helfenbein, & Newnam Funeral Home, P.A.
106 Shamrock Road
Chester, MD 21619

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Patricia McColgan*



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - May 13, 2024 at 11:27 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Patricia McColgan.*



May 11, 2024 at 02:20 PM



“ *Southwest Business planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia McColgan.*

Southwest Business - May 10, 2024 at 06:24 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Patricia McColgan.*



May 10, 2024 at 06:24 PM



“ James J. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia McColgan.

James J. - May 10, 2024 at 12:54 PM



“ Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia McColgan.



May 10, 2024 at 12:33 PM



“ Johns Hopkins University Procurement planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia McColgan.

Johns Hopkins University Procurement - May 10, 2024 at 11:04 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Patricia McColgan.



May 10, 2024 at 11:04 AM

EC

“ *Eastern Shore Dental Care lit a candle in memory of Patricia McColgan*



Eastern Shore Dental Care - May 10, 2024 at 08:18 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Patricia McColgan.*



May 10, 2024 at 07:25 AM

DM

“ *Doka Maryland purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Patricia McColgan.*



Doka Maryland - May 10, 2024 at 07:17 AM

RA

“ *Richard, Mista, and Keri Anne purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Patricia McColgan.*



Richard, Mista, and Keri Anne - May 09, 2024 at 06:18 PM

LC

“ Love, Allyssa and The Narrows Crew purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Patricia McColgan.



Love, Allyssa and The Narrows Crew - May 09, 2024 at 05:14 PM



“ Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Patricia McColgan.



May 09, 2024 at 02:07 PM

TJ

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Thomas Jackson - May 09, 2024 at 10:33 AM