



## Susanna M. McCall

June 14, 1920 - May 31, 2007

Susanna M. McCall (nee Steskey) on May 31, 2007 of Deptford. Age 86. Wife of the late John J. McCall, Jr. Mother of Jack McCall (Kathleen) of Brigantine, Joseph McCall (Jean) of Crestwood KY, Suzanne Thomas of Oaklyn, Rosemary Sedalis (Bob) of Westville and Dorothy Duffy (Hugh) of Mantua. Sister of Catherine McCall of Deptford, Marguerite Marinacci of Glenolden, Pa. and Samuel Steskey of NY City. Fifteen grandchildren and twelve great-grandchildren. Mrs. McCall was retired from the insurance industry since 1977.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a viewing Monday eve 7pm to 9pm and Tuesday 8:30am to 9:30am at BOUCHER FUNERAL HOME, 1757 Delsea Dr., Deptford. Mass of Christian Burial Tuesday 10am at Most Holy Redeemer Church, 1219 Delsea Dr., Westville Grove, NJ 08093. Interment Woodbury Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Most Holy Redeemer Church.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Susanna M. McCall*

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November 27, 2022 at 03:45 PM



“ *Sue had 12 great-grandchildren in all. She attended every birthday party, every christening, - EVERY SINGLE family event. She made a vanilla cake with chocolate icing for every birthday. And when anyone visited her house, she always made sure they were fed. She was stubborn, but even more so, sentimental. Until the end, she slept on the same bed her parents gave her on her wedding day, she decorated the same Charlie Brown Christmas tree every year, displayed graduation photos of her children on the piano, and pictures of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren on her corner table. Sue was the glue that held our family together, and the anchor that kept us in New Jersey. She loved all of us. I ask of you to remember the ways she showed you her love. Carry those memories in a pocket of your mind and in the center of your heart.*

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**Krissy** - June 22, 2007 at 04:19 PM

KR

“ After retiring from the insurance industry in 1977, she devoted her life to her grandchildren. Four of them – her son Jack’s children Michelle and Lil’ Jackie, and Dorothy’s two children, Kris and Steve, lived with her until Jack and Dorothy purchased their own homes. Sue also babysat Rosemary’s three children, Philip, Audrey and Rosie, AKA RO-RO. They were a rowdy bunch. There was never a lack of spankings, and Lord help the child who cussed - Sue would practically douse them in holy water. Joe, his wife Jean, and their two kids, Amy and Andy, always lived far away, but that didn’t stop Sue from bragging about Amy’s talent as a ballerina, and Andy as the first grandchild in the military. She bragged about Suzanne’s sons Jack and Kenny who competed in dirt bike races. Sue bragged about all of her 15 grandchildren -- from Phil’s blond curls to Beth’s flair for fixing hair, from Michelle’s softball awards and Audrey’s cheerleading trophies, to Krissy’s journalism and Steve’s good nature, to Kaitlin, Lauren and Alex who were all so pretty, to RO-RO, who Sue always said would be a model one day. She recognized Lil’ Jackie for being a good father to two of her great-grandchildren.

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**Krissy** - June 22, 2007 at 04:18 PM

KR

“ Sue and Jack had two sons, John Joseph and Joseph Michael. Sue's boys were the loves of her life. When both sons were drafted during the Vietnam War, Sue was devastated. She welcomed them home with much love. In her eyes, they could do no wrong. God have mercy on the person who ever talked bad about them - her retort was fierce. Her third child, Suzanne, was just as feisty as Sue - making her siblings clean the house every Saturday, even throwing her shoes at Rosemary if she didn't clean her room. Jack was clever; he would pay Suzanne a quarter to clean his room. That was a lot of money back then! Rosemary was Sue and Jack's fourth child. No doubt she was named after the blessed mother. And then came Dorothy, the baby of the family. Sue was fair to her children, treating them as equals. No child got more than another. They got the same amount of toys at Christmas, candy at Easter, she even made the boys wear the same outfits and the girls the same dresses, just in different colors. She rationed food, giving each child two cookies - if they were lucky, four.

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Krissy - June 22, 2007 at 04:17 PM

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“ Susan Mable Steskey, AKA Susanna Mary McCall, born in Philadelphia, was Samuel and Catherine Steskey's third child. Sue's elder sisters passed away as infants, making Sue the eldest of four surviving children. Sue was a disciplinarian and mentor, keeping her sisters Catherine and Marguerite and brother Sam in line, making sure they cleaned their rooms and finished homework. She even helped Catherine learn French. She was a devoted Catholic, making her siblings uphold the highest regard for the church. If they missed a Sunday mass, she would come home and blast radio church services and music by Sacred Heart. She joined the Good Sheppard Sisters in Germantown. After two years, she decided being a nun was not her calling; she left the convent. Her sister Catherine had already married William McCall. Catherine and Bill had a baby, William Jr., Sue doted on Billy. So did Bill's brother, John McCall, who had just come home from serving in the Pacific during World War II. Sue and Jack became smitten with each other and dated for two years before marrying. And so was the tale of two sisters who married two brothers.

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**Krissy** - June 22, 2007 at 04:15 PM

JJ

“ Lil' Gram,  
I will miss you. Sweet dreams. Luv, JJ

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**JJ** - June 22, 2007 at 02:52 PM

MS

“ My Aunt Susie was the dearest and kindest person I've ever known. Even after all these years, she always remembered me on my birthday and at Christmas. I'll miss her.

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**Marguerite Spewock** - June 04, 2007 at 05:10 PM

AD

“ Audrey and Family,  
Our thoughts and pryers are with you and your family.

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**Atoinette & Chris DiGrazio** - June 04, 2007 at 09:34 AM

MR

“ We are really sorry to hear about your mom. You and your family  
are in our thoughts and prayers.

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**Mary and Jim Reid** - June 03, 2007 at 07:52 PM

BH

“ Dear McCall Family, Please accept my sincere condolences on the  
passing of Mrs. McCall. Having "grown up" being friends and  
playing baseball, basketball and football with Jack and Joe from  
Little League to high school, I know what a wonderful life we  
enjoyed back in the '50s and '60s---thanks to the wonderful  
guidance and love of wonderful parents. We were fortunate to have  
parents that were dedicated to seeing we truly lived in a "Happy  
Days" environment, but at the same time instilled the qualities of  
friendship and fairness in their children. Everyone I knew in our  
youth "liked the McCalls" and I'm certain your mom and dad were  
responsible for that.  
God bless her long and wonderful life. It was a privilege to know  
her.

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**Bryant Heisinger** - June 02, 2007 at 07:44 AM

AE

“ There are not enough words to describe what a good person  
"Gram" was. She will be deeply missed and always remembered by  
everyone who knew her.

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**Audrey and Eric** - May 31, 2007 at 09:22 PM