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Madelyn "Madge" Fritzinger Cadwallader

Aug. 24, 1948 - Sept. 5, 2023

Madelyn "Madge" Fritzinger Cadwallader of Morganton, North Carolina passed away September 5, 2023 at the age of 75 after a brief illness.

Madelyn was born August 24, 1948 to Robert and Evlyn Fritzinger in Monroeville, Indiana. She married Michael Cadwallader on May 8, 1971 and they were married for 52 years.

Madelyn was a devoted wife and mother to her family, raising two children and caring for the household with all her heart. She could always be found at a school function, girl scout event, or cheering from the stands for her daughters' activities. In later years, she attended many soccer games and out of town gymnastics competitions for her two grandchildren. Madelyn also had a passion for flowers, and loved spending time in her flower gardens every summer. She enjoyed bowling with her friends, and was a member of the Red Hat Society for several years. When her husband retired, Madelyn and Mike could often be found walking on the Greenway and enjoying simple picnics outside when the weather was nice. They loved grilling out on the back deck and taking it easy, but most of all they enjoyed each other's company and were always together.

Madelyn's greatest love was always her family. She put all of her heart into loving her

children and ensuring their success in life, along with being the rock for her husband during their long marriage. Despite being a tiny soft-spoken woman, she was a mighty force that was larger than life and will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Madelyn leaves behind her loving husband Michael and two daughters, Heather (Patrick) McGroarty, and Vicki (Todd) Causby, along with her two grandchildren,

Madelyn and Abigail McGroarty.

Madelyn also leaves behind her younger sister, Marilyn Driver, nephew James Fritzinger, and nieces Nicole Allee and Melissa Gage. She also will be greatly missed by her close friend, Linda Maher.

Madelyn was preceded in death by her brother, Robert "Bobby" Fritzinger, along with her parents, Robert and Evlyn Fritzinger.

The family will hold a private entombment and ceremony at Burke Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, the family would request that a donation be made to St. Judes Hospital in Madelyn's honor, as she always had a passion for helping others, especially children.

Donations can be made at https://www.stjude.org/donate/donate-to-st-jude.html? sc_icid=header-btn-donate-now

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

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I am so sorry to learn of Madelyns passing. Mike we all wish you strength during this difficult time. Please take care and know you are in our thoughts.

-Jill Hughes

-Shelia Caldwell



Cad So sorry for your loss. Prayers sending up for you and your girls. Wanted to let you know I am thinking of you.

-Kathy Frazier

So sorry to hear of Madge's passing, thinking of all of you

-Dean and Bev Reidenbach



I will miss you so much Mena. Thank you for always being there for me and Abby. I'll never forget going back to school shopping, going around downtown Morganton on the horse and buggy at Christmas time, doing the trail of lights, our yearly trips to the zoo, and baking cookies with you. Those will always be some of my best memories. You were an amazing grandma. I love you so much.

-Mady McGroarty

Madge and I met at Lincoln Life and became friends. We spent many times playing euer at each other's homes until her and Mike moved to North Carolina. We kept in touch through xmas cards about our lives. She loved Mike, her daughters and grandchildren very much. I will always remember good times we had together. You are special Madge Kathy Sult

-Kathy Sult

Sending Love and prayers to my special friends family. Madge was such a precious friend through many years and will miss her dearly. The last few days I've remembered all the laughter and growing up times together. She lived for her family and know she's planting flowers in Heaven! Much Love, Gae and Tom Andrews

-Gas Andrews

Madge was one of the sweetest people I have ever known. She was always so loving and kind to everyone she met. We would always get together with her friend Linda whenever I visited Morganton. I have so many special and wonderful memories of the times I have shared with Madge over the years. She truly holds a special place in my heart.

-Nancy Berkheiser