



## **Martha Rees McBride**

Born in Flint, MI on Dec. 13, 1939  
Departed on Feb. 3, 2014 and resided in  
Lapeer, MI.

Martha Rees McBride, 74, a 50 year resident of Lapeer (formerly of Flint), died Monday, February 3, 2014.

Martha was born December 13, 1939 in Flint to Frank & Katherine (Rees) Smith. She graduated from Flint Central High School, class of 1957. Martha earned her bachelor's degree from the Mt. Holyoke College for Women in South Hadley, MA. She eventually went on to earn her master's degree in teaching from Eastern Michigan University. She married John McBride on October 26, 1963 in Flint. Martha worked for Lapeer Community Schools from 1977 to 2002. Martha taught at White Junior High for a few years but moved to Lapeer East High School where she taught English for the majority of her career. Martha was a voracious reader and enjoyed her get-togethers with her Mt. Holyoke alumni friends. Above all Martha was a loving wife, mother and grandmother - she adored her five grandchildren.

Martha is survived by her husband, John McBride of Lapeer; children: John (Angela) McBride of Grosse Pointe Park and Betsy (Dave) Morello of Royal Oak; five grandchildren: Kaitlin, Jake, Mandy, Lainey & Zack; and her brother, Frank (Gwyn) Smith of Annapolis, MD. She was preceded in death by her parents.

A memorial gathering will be held from 4-8PM Thursday, February 6, 2014 at Muir Brothers Funeral Home in Lapeer. A prayer service will be held 7:30 PM Thursday during the gathering.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Suncrest Auxiliary, 1455 Suncrest Drive, Lapeer, Michigan 48446 or the Alzheimer's Association, Greater Michigan Chapter, 3600 N. Saginaw Road A, Midland, MI 48640.