



Mr. Vincent DePaul Fitzpatrick III Ph.D.

June 18, 1950 - July 15, 2023

On July 15, 2023, Vincent DePaul Fitzpatrick III, Ph.D., beloved husband of Carolyn "CAROL" Henley Fitzpatrick; dear father of Michael Lee Fitzpatrick; devoted brother of J. Lawrence Fitzpatrick, M.D. (Nancy, nee McNicholas; dear uncle of Gentry, James, Sean and Rob Fitzpatrick.

Friends may call at MITCHELL-WIEDEFELD FUNERAL HOME INC. 6500 York Rd. Balto. Md. 21212 on Friday, July 21st from 2-4 & 7-9 PM. A Funeral Mass will be offered at Immaculate Conception Church 200 Ware Ave. Towson, MD 21204 on Saturday, July 22nd at 10AM. Interment St Mary's Cemetery. Please omit flowers. Memorials in his name may be made to Loyola Blakefield or Enoch Pratt Library.

Cemetery Details

St. Mary's Homeland

233 Homeland Avenue
Baltimore, MD 21212

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 15. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Mitchell - Wiedefeld Funeral Home, Inc.
6500 York Road
Baltimore, MD 21212
(410) 377-8300
general@mwfuneralhome.com

Visitation

JUL 21. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Mitchell - Wiedefeld Funeral Home, Inc.
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Funeral Mass

JUL **22**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Immaculate Conception Church
200 Ware Avenue
Towson, MD 21204

Tribute Wall

EA

“ *He is still in my mind the kindest and smartest and gentlest man ever!*

Elliot Abhau - July 23, 2023 at 06:57 AM

CC

“ *I'm so lucky to have been a student of Doc Fitz during my freshman and senior years at Loyola (serving as "time man" my first year). He was a brilliant teacher who had a greater impact on my writing than any other. The support, wise feedback, and affirmation he showed me did so much to help me grow and believe in myself as a student and writer. I will always be grateful to him. My deepest condolences to his family and friends.*

*Chris Cimaglio
Loyola Blakefield class of '07*

Chris Cimaglio - July 21, 2023 at 06:52 AM

C9

“ *I am the captain of my fate:
I am the master of my soul.*

Doc taught us so much more than English. May grief swiftly make way for gratitude for time spent with this exceptional man.

Christopher Co, LHS Class of 97 - July 20, 2023 at 07:51 PM

MF

“*Doc taught me as both a freshman and a senior in AP Comp. By that final fourth quarter paper, I finally won some praise and while outwardly nonchalant, internally I was thrilled. He was the best writing teacher I ever had, including law school. From time to time I teach as an adjunct at Loyola Maryland, and I still find myself borrowing a lesson or two (or significantly more) when talking with students, friends, or my professional colleagues about writing. If someone's impact can be measured by the number of people he both directly and indirectly touched, Doc's impact approaches incalculability.*

*-Matt Fischer
LHS, Class of 2000*

Matthew Fischer - July 20, 2023 at 03:41 PM

MF

“*Matthew Fischer lit a candle in memory of Vincent Fitzpatrick III*



Matthew Fischer - July 20, 2023 at 03:33 PM

JS

“ I've worked with Vince for many years at the Central Pratt Library, but got to know him better once I began work at the Maryland Department. He always found time to say hello and have a chat, and I looked forward to seeing him. He generously and humbly shared his extensive knowledge of Mencken, and he loved showing the collection to visitors. I was truly impressed with his grace and sincerity when he interacted with his coworkers--no matter their job title. I will never forget him. My condolences to Vince's family and friends.

Julie Saylor - July 20, 2023 at 09:44 AM

JS

“ Julie Saylor lit a candle in memory of Vincent Fitzpatrick III



Julie Saylor - July 20, 2023 at 09:32 AM

BB

“ I had the pleasure of working with Vince Fitzpatrick when I was manager of the Humanities Department at the Central Library of the Enoch Pratt Free Library. Vince was one of those rare individuals who brightened any room he walked into. He could quote chapter and verse from H.L. Mencken on any subject but he was also down-to-earth and gifted with a wonderful sense of humor. He was dedicated and thoughtful, generous and kind. He was the epitome of a gentleman-scholar, truly a man for all seasons.

Bob Burke - July 19, 2023 at 10:51 PM

Jl

“ My sincere sympathy to Vince’s family on the passing of this remarkable man. I was privileged to know him as a colleague of many years at Blakefield. I remember a conversation I had with the parent of one of my students years ago. She said that when her son was at college, one of his professors asked him who had taught him to write so well. There was never any doubt - it was of course “Doc Fitz”.

Jack Innes - July 19, 2023 at 04:23 PM

DE

“ Here's the link to the recording of Vince's program "Meaningful Mencken," given Thursday, July 13, 2023, which he generously presented with Paul Chasen: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lcr uBtVoz08>

Debra Elfenbein - July 19, 2023 at 02:07 PM

DE

“ I send my heartfelt sympathy to Carol, who Vince so often talked about. I was lucky to work closely with Vince in Pratt's Special Collections Dept.

What a good, generous, brilliant man he was.

Committed to his work of caretaking and disseminating Mencken's significance, and practiced in sharing his expertise with researchers, his attention and kindness with coworkers, his pleasure in every story, experience, good time, observation, analysis, and principle he had.

At Pratt, we all felt seen and attended to by Vince as unique individuals, not as a title or job duty.

And he was a member of the new Pratt Workers United, which helped all of us. On Thursday, July 13, for his program "Meaningful Mencken," he wore his PWU button.

I'm not a Pratt spokesperson, just one staff member proud to have worked with Vince, and I say my and Pratt's loss is incalculable.

Debra Elfenbein - July 19, 2023 at 02:02 PM

MB

“ I had the pleasure of having Doc Fitz for a teacher during both my freshman and senior years at Loyola. He was the best teacher I ever had at any level; high school, college or grad school. As an educator he truly made a meaningful impact on those whom he taught during his 40+ years at Loyola. He will be missed.

*Matt Beliveau
LHS, class of 1993*



Matt Beliveau - July 19, 2023 at 12:12 PM

JM

“ So sad to learn just now of Vince's passing yet so proud to share what a fine student athlete and fellow Don he was at Loyola Blakefield.



A fierce competitor both on and off the football and lacrosse fields, Vince exhibited remarkable kindness and empathy with his fellow Dons.

It was an true honor to have befriended Vincent, as he was such a well read man with splendid literary talents in reading and communications, that he glowingly imparted to his Loyola students in his classroom.

Heaven truly welcomes Vincent on God's Team as he personified "of men for others" as St Ignatius Loyola implored. Well done, my fellow Don. Godspeed.

Joe Marrocco - July 19, 2023 at 09:18 AM

JM

“ Joe Marrocco lit a candle in memory of Vincent Fitzpatrick III



Joe Marrocco - July 19, 2023 at 09:04 AM

PB

“ Vinnie was my best friend when we were about 8. He was fun. He was really proud of his Mom, who wrote a popular jingle for Mercy Hospital. His Dad was a doctor. His little brother Larry loved Vinnie. Vinnie had a great sense of humor....he collected dozens of smart-alecky signs 😎. We played two-hand touch football in the street between our homes. I will miss Vinnie and savor his memory.



Paul Bennett - July 19, 2023 at 08:52 AM

CS

“ Vince was a special and beloved classmate. I enjoyed our relationship as Dons and visiting him in his classroom in later years as he taught the next generations of Men for Others. May his soul enjoy eternal rest.
Carl Stokes'68

Carl Stokes - July 18, 2023 at 09:43 PM

JH

“ I am very sorry to hear about the passing of Dr. Vince Fitzpatrick. He was a great classmate who was 2 years after me at Loyola. He played lacrosse there and was a real supporter of the sport. He was a genuine man for others at Loyola as a dynamic teacher and an example for the young men there. He taught English to my sons during the nineties. He will be really missed. May God bless him. Jeff Hahn Class of 1966 at Loyola

Jeff Hahn - July 18, 2023 at 07:13 PM