

# Sally Donaldson

Sally Donaldson moved to North Beach in September of 1999. Hurricane Floyd had wreaked havoc on the town and she was not able to get to her new home that morning because of felled trees in the roads and flooded streets throughout the town.

She finally settled in and continued her commute to her job at Wal-Mart in Waldorf, MD for the next 12 years.

In the year 2000, she was so excited to tell her son, Richard, that she had met the Mayor of North Beach and had also joined the North Beach House and Garden Club. The next year, the North Beach House and Garden Club unanimously voted Sally in as the President. She held the title of President of the club for 15 years.

Throughout the years, Sally was involved in many activities and fundraisers. She helped raise money for the Boys and Girls Club when they were in the temporary trailer; helped raise money for families in North Beach after Hurricane Isabel; volunteered for Stars and Stripes festivals; helped plant and weed the flower beds along Bay Avenue; was a beer server at the

Bayfest festivals and during concert nights; volunteered with the annual marsh cleanup; promoted and held beach activities for pie eating contests, watermelon eating contests, egg tosses, tug-of-war; and she was known as the "s'mores lady" during campfire nights on the beach.

Sally continued her community involvement as a Special Events Committee Member for the Town of North Beach; she was a member of the North Beach Historical Preservation Commission; she became nominated in 2005 and in 2008 for the award of Calvert County's Most Beautiful Person; in 2009, she was voted as Queen of Calvert County by the Office on Aging; she was nominated as Citizen of the Month in 2008 by the Town of North Beach and served as the Grand Marshall in the 2013 Pat Carpenter Annual Christmas Parade in the Town of North Beach. She enjoyed being a teacher at Sunday School at Trinity Episcopal Church and a volunteer at the Bayside History Museum. She was also appointed to the North Beach Senior Center Counsel as Treasurer and became the Historian of the North Beach House and Garden Club after serving as President. In 2015, Mayor Mark Frazer bestowed upon her the Key to the Town, in

recognition of her long standing commitment to the Town of North Beach and its residents. Sally passed away on November 22, 2016. It was shortly thereafter that Mayor Mark Frazer and the Town Council decided to rename the Welcome Center the "Sally Donaldson Welcome Center".





# Missing Sally



The sun doesn't shine as bright as it did  
When Sally was here to smile.

The breeze in the trees tries harder to please;  
No more does it seem to beguile.

The card table's quiet; the Boardwalk's alone.  
The Town's not the same since Sally went Home.

For all that we loved her, for all that she's missed,  
Just think of the joy and think of the bliss.

That heaven must feel to welcome her there,  
With angelic greetings in answer to prayer.

She'll dance up the streets; she'll swing on the gate.  
She'll joyfully laugh, "Come ON! CELEBRATE!"

Just listen. You'll hear her. So mop up your tears.  
She's happy and well again. THAT deserves cheers.

Although we can't see her in heaven above,  
We know she still watches and sends us her love.

**Lolete Barlow, December 2016**



*Sally admiring her beach and Welcome Center made out of Peeps.*



*Sally volunteering at Bayside History Museum.*



*Sally waving as she rides in the Holiday Parade.*

## Sally Donaldson Welcome Center



**Sally Donaldson**

**April 20, 1938 - November 22, 2016**

*Wherever a beautiful soul has been  
there is a trail of beautiful  
memories.*