



Mr. Denis H. Gully

August 20, 1943 - March 10, 2015

Mr. Gully was born August 20, 1943 in Chicago, IL to Joe Gully and Cleolia Daniels. He attended DuSable High School. While attending Illinois State University in Bloomington, IL Denis was drafted by the United States Army and became a 1st Lieutenant. He was honorably discharged in 1969. Denis received his bachelors degree in Health and Physical Education from George Williams College.

Denis became one of the 1st teachers at Whitney M. Young Magnet High School in 1975.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **23**. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Service

MAR **24**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Mr. Denis H. Gully*

October 09, 2023 at 04:52 AM



“ *Someone told me today that he had passed. I cannot believe this. I met him my Freshman year at Whitney Young high school. He was the dean/principal for Green House. He always gave great advice. He will be deeply missed. His words of wisdom will live forever in his students.*

Ms. Walker - July 07, 2015 at 10:45 PM



“ *I guess I have known Dennis all my life. Our parents grew up together and so did we. We were the Couples Club Children. I am so saddened to learn of his passing. Prayers to the family*

Valerie Perkins - May 03, 2015 at 03:46 PM



“ *Great man. I was honored to work with him. Always treated everyone with grace and dignity. We often talked of college bills, as his daughter went to Syracuse, I believe. He was a great guy all around. I golfed with him a number of times, and he always had a great attitude about everything. He added a great deal to the WY community. Jay Rehak*

Jay Rehak - April 14, 2015 at 10:00 AM

MN

Mr Gulley was my first coach in high school. I attended Austin High School in 1972. And he was the swim coach. For a group of kids who didn't know how to swim barely. He told me one thing if you start something finish it. I preach that to my children and grandchildren today he taught me to go forward and never quit. It made me who the man I am today and also the swimmer. Thank you mr. Gilly.

Mr Sylvester Neal - August 02, 2018 at 12:52 AM

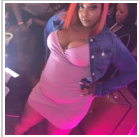
CO

“ *My condolences and deepest sympathies go out to the Gully family. We've all lost an inspirational and honorable man and leader. May his soul rest peacefully in the eternal kingdom of heaven.*

Sincerely,

Corey D Brown

corey - March 27, 2015 at 11:38 PM



“ *I remember no matter what Mr. Gully was always on me to make sure I did what I needed to do. He always asked me how I was doing and stayed on me to make sure I did it! He was a wonderful man that has made a difference in so many lives! May a great man and mentor Rest In Peace!*

Bri Daniel - March 26, 2015 at 11:01 PM

GM

“ *I came to Whitney Young in 1976 and Mr. Gully was one of those teachers we gravitated to from the very beginning. He played a major role in shaping our lives. His impact and imprint lives on through so many students. My condolences to the Gully family.*

Gail Moore-Rices - March 26, 2015 at 06:34 PM

LW


“ Mr. Gully was phenomenal! He nurtured and cared for so many throughout his tenure as an educator. He was one of the four teachers that I thought of when I decided to become a teacher. Thank you for being the strong presence I needed. You will be forever missed. To the Gully family thank you for sharing him with us.

LaKisha Williams-Brown - March 26, 2015 at 05:12 PM

SH

“ Mr. Gully was a compassionate person being my physical education teacher. He understood young adults needs and was like a counselor to each one of us during our tenure @ Whitney Young. Will be greatly missed in our circle of faculty. R.I.P. Denis.

Sandra Hernandez - March 26, 2015 at 03:33 PM

 Krystal Collins

“ I remember when the girls bowling team made it to state my senior year in 04' the look on his face was priceless. I will never forget the friendship I had with the first mentor in my life.

Krystal Collins - March 26, 2015 at 01:03 PM

M7

I remember when I was at W. Y. after the first time shaking his hand I had to have the bones in my hand reset. His hands were like Vicegrip pliers. When he grabbed your shoulder you had to make sure nothing was broken. Lol! It was a pleasure to be taught and mentored by Mr. Gully.

Michael Preston Class of 79 - March 27, 2015 at 12:17 AM

SS

missing Coach Gully I remember when he gave me my first letters, peace be unto the family is my prayer.

Stanley Stubbs - May 01, 2015 at 07:02 PM

VG

“ To the Gully Family,

Please accept my deepest sympathies for the loss of your beloved husband and father. Denis was a blessing to the world for the knowledge he imparted to his students, his colleagues and I am sure to all who knew him. Denis was a kind and gentle soul and he will be missed.

I remember fondly a Whitney Young talent show where Denis had the leading role as Gladys Knights and the Pips, Dennis played Gladys and I was one three Pips (Glad it's Nights).

I wish you comfort in the knowledge Denis made the world a better place.

Best regards,

*Valerie Gerstein
Former Whitney Young Colleague*

Valerie Gerstein - March 24, 2015 at 09:11 AM

FL

“ *Sending prayers and love to my Aunt Dorothy.
..the matriarch of the Gully family and my
cousins Doris and Dennis.*



Family Love - March 23, 2015 at 11:11 PM

CK

“ Condolences to the family of Mr. Denis Gully and Aunt Dortha Adams. Denis was a special guy. Praying for your peace and comfort.

Cynthia Keel - March 22, 2015 at 08:36 PM

3F

“ 3D Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Mr. Denis H. Gully.



3D Family - March 22, 2015 at 01:08 PM

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“ 3D Family purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Mr. Denis H. Gully.



3D Family - March 22, 2015 at 12:54 PM

LD

“ Mr. Gully was my division (322) teacher and physical education senior year at Whitney M. Young Magnet High School. He was a fine teacher who really cared about his students. We all loved him even when he was being "stern." Rest in peace, Mr. Gully.

Letricia Riley Dixon - March 20, 2015 at 03:44 PM



I met Mr. Gully in 1975, the first year WY opened. I was a freshman and he was a wonderful, wonderful instructor and human being. A great man. He was stern, fair, compassionate and a great role model. The world has lost an angel. Prayers and condolences to the Gullely family.

Lynn Johnson - March 26, 2015 at 12:10 PM