



Patricia "Pat" Richardson

December 11, 1933 - April 8, 2020

Patricia "Pat" Richardson, age 86, of Savanna, Illinois will be remembered as a dedicated Wife, loving and supportive Mother and Grandmother, and faithful child of God. She passed away Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at MercyOne Hospital, Dubuque, Iowa.

A private family Funeral Mass will be held Monday, April 13, 2020 at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, Savanna. Burial will be in St. John's Catholic Cemetery. You may view the Funeral Mass on Facebook Live at 11:00 a.m. Monday, or afterward, by visiting the Law-Jones Funeral Home Facebook page online and scrolling down and on our website, lawjonesfuneralhome.com. A memorial has been established to benefit local charities.

Patricia was born December 11, 1933 in Chula Vista, California, the daughter of Lossie and Katherine (Schiffadecker) Augustus. She enjoyed an idyllic childhood that included family picnics, digging clams at the beach, and hiking in the mountains of Southern California. She also remembered the challenging times of WWII when all coastal towns had "lights-out" orders to protect from invasion.

Patricia was a graduate of the Chula Vista High School and San Diego State University where she studied Art. Shortly after high school she met and married the love of her life, Donald Richardson, who had just served in the US Navy during the Korean War.

Patricia and Don moved to Illinois where Don found a job teaching at Niantic, Illinois and then his career brought them to Savanna, where Don served as the Superintendent of the Center Hill School near Mt. Carroll, and then served as the Principal at the Savanna High School and later the Lincoln Jr. High School. During this time Pat devoted herself as a homemaker, raising their two children, Becky and Dan. She served as a Girl Scout leader for many years and enjoyed school activities with her kids. Every other year, Pat took her children by train for a memorable trip to visit family back in California.

Pat was a natural at making memories and having fun with her family, they would often hike, fish, and picnic together. Gardening for fresh vegetables and beautiful flowers, and

walking daily were important to Pat. She kept a routine like a Marine, and would have more done by 8am than most people would get done all day.

Don passed away in 1985 and another chapter of life began. During these years she counted on her faith, family and friends. Pat went to work at the Savanna Army Depot as an Administrative Assistant for twelve years, she then worked at Farm & Town Realty for seven years. Pat was very involved in St. John's Church and had many friends in that tight-knit community. She was known for her coleslaw and fabulous homemade pies. She also loved taking adventurous trips all over the world with her best friend and sister, Betty.

She will be dearly missed by her daughter, Rebecca (Wayne) McIntyre of Galena, Illinois; her son, Dan (Susan) Richardson of LeClaire, Iowa; seven grandchildren, Rachel McIntyre, James McIntyre, Grace McIntyre, Samantha Richardson, Amber Grabarek, Todd Knuth and Josh Knuth; and her sister, Betty Hoffman of San Diego, California. She is preceded in death by her husband, Donald in 1985; her sister, Beverly Augustus; two brothers, Richard and Edward Augustus; and both parents.

Comments



“ 50 files added to the album Service Photos



Law-Jones Funeral Home - August 18, 2020 at 10:30 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Patricia "Pat" Richardson.



April 13, 2020 at 05:05 PM



“ Rebecca,Dan and family,
We are so very sorry for your loss
Your Mom was a wonderful mother and grandmother
We have great memories of her always being around for the kids
Whether it was a birthday ,holiday or especially
trick or treating she was always there
May you find comfort in all of your cherished memories
Keeping you in our thoughts and prayers
God bless,
The Holders

Sherae Holder - April 13, 2020 at 04:38 PM



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“ My friendship with Pat goes back to Junior High days to senior ditch day at the beach to high school reunions Our lunches with our old school friends each summer were a highlight for us all when she came to San Diego We will all miss her.
Oralee Shanks
Bonita California

Oralee Shanks - April 13, 2020 at 12:36 PM



“ Pat was a wonderful neighbor and friend to our family. She always had this infinite amount of energy she used to visit neighbors, take walks, care for her beautiful yard, flowers, and garden. She always had time to say hello and greet family when we were in town and it always warmed my heart. She had such a loving, big-hearted spirit. Mom and her were great friends and Mom and the entire Evans family mourn her loss. Thinking of Becky, Dan and families during this difficult time. God bless.

Helen Kovacs - April 12, 2020 at 07:41 PM



“ Words cannot express how saddened we are by Pat's passing. She was a very special lady and we were privileged to know her. We always appreciated how she accepted us into the family the first time we met her. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of the family during this most difficult time.
Donna and Ed Foglia

Donna Foglia - April 11, 2020 at 05:22 PM



“ Aunt Pat was strong, funny, loving, and adventurous.

Her visits were always met with great excitement from the entire family and the amazing dinners, trips, and adventures we went on will be cherished memories I will hold close.

Aunt Pat was such a big part of our lives - all the summers spent at the beach, having barbecues, Shabbat dinners, weddings, and simply celebrating good times with family.

The only time I wasn't afraid to go into the ocean was when she was there holding my hand as we jumped through the waves. When she and Grandma Betty got together, there was a sense of fearlessness they would lend to everyone else around them!

I'll miss her fierce love of adventure, her kindness, the amazing stories she would tell, and the overwhelming positivity she brought to every situation.

I will miss seeing her very much and I will love her always.



Jacob Hoffman - April 11, 2020 at 05:08 PM



“ Such beautiful memories of our mom!! She absolutely treasured her summer trips to California and the fun times she had with all of you! Mom and Aunt Betty are truly special women to be admired!! Thank you for writing such a lovely tribute Jacob!

Rebecca McIntyre - April 11, 2020 at 11:34 PM



“ Jacob Hoffman purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Patricia "Pat" Richardson.



Jacob Hoffman - April 11, 2020 at 04:56 PM



“ Becky, Dan and families, Your mom was a class act. We are sending our thoughts and love to you all.. ~Carol and Rob

Carol Canier - April 11, 2020 at 03:23 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia "Pat" Richardson.



April 11, 2020 at 03:00 PM



“ Guiding Light Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia "Pat" Richardson.



April 11, 2020 at 02:35 PM



“ As we think of Pat, our neighbor, we miss her already. The Jonquils in her yard are blooming now and are so beautiful. It is an understatement to say that she liked gardening. There will be other flowers blooming soon in her yard, however, sadly she won't be here to enjoy them. I truly believe she is with her Savior, Jesus Christ and is enjoying the peace that passes all understanding.

Lorena White - April 11, 2020 at 11:58 AM



“ Becky, Dan, Betty, and families, We were saddened to hear of your Mom, Grandmother, and sister's passing. She was an awesome classy lady whom we became very fond. We were neighbors a couple of streets over on Superior Ave and she was part of our church family. Of course, we saw and visited with her often on her walks. Let me tell you, there was not a time that we visited that we did not hear about her loving family. We would talk about our kids and grandchildren from dance recitals to football games. Pat was a very giving lady and if there was something she could do for anyone all you had to do was ask and sometimes you did not even have to ask she was just there. She had talent in many areas from cooking, sewing, and gardening. Amazing lady she was. I know I worried at times seeing her on her roof cleaning out gutters to lifting those heavy bags of leaves over to the landscape dump. You all have to have so many wonderful memories of your, Mom, Grandmother, and sister. She showed me a few pictures, some of the ones shown here, and those trips that Betty and her took. Rachel, she was so looking forward to your wedding...know that she will be there in spirit. Nothing will keep her away. Pat will be missed by all who knew and loved her. We will miss seeing her taking her walks, at the church pancake breakfasts, and seeing her work in her beautiful flower gardens. May she rest in peace. God Bless.

Love in Christ, Jan & Martin Altensey



Jan & Marty Altensey - April 11, 2020 at 09:31 AM



“ Rich, Bin and Cheng Hoffman purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Patricia "Pat" Richardson.



Rich, Bin and Cheng Hoffman - April 10, 2020 at 09:48 PM



“ Dear Becky, Dan and family:

We are so sorry to hear about your Mom. She was a wonderful person. We always enjoyed getting together with her when she would come out to visit my Mom in California. She always got dressed up when she came to our house for dinner or when we went out to eat – – she was such a classy lady. We had a great time going to Anthony's – – and in the last two years when we went to the La Mesa restaurant after the waterfront facility was closed she was thrilled to talk with the owner (who was the grandson of the restaurant's founder) and tell him how she had been going to Anthony's since she was a teenager in the 1940s. We have so many good memories of Aunt Pat: She made the mint's for Joyce and my wedding (photo circulated on Facebook); we remember the numerous restaurant dinners, barbecues, hikes and beach excursions that we shared; we remember our 2014 trip to Savannah where Joyce and I stayed with your Mom and she made us the best fried chicken and fried potatoes, took me on a fun road trip to and tour of Galena where we visited the Grant Museum and your Mom offered frank commentary on Mrs. Grant's looks (much to the chagrin of the tour guide) and stayed up late talking about family, current events, her seasonal cleaning schedule and her philosophy of life. Aunt Pat won't be dusting her knickknacks or oiling her wood paneling this Spring, or harvesting her blueberries, Concorde grapes and tomatoes this Summer or making her famous holiday meals and cookies this Fall, but we will always think about how she loved doing these things in those seasons. We are so blessed to have had Aunt Pat in our lives and we will miss her. However, we like to think that she is now being happily reunited with Grandpa and Nan, Uncle Ed, Aunt Beverly and Uncle Dick. Becky and Dan, our hearts go out to you and we give you a blessing that you should only know happiness in the future. Love Sam and Joyce and family

Samuel F Hoffman - April 10, 2020 at 08:43 PM



“ Sam - Such great memories!! Our mom's had such a fabulous relationship and were the best role models for all of us!! I keep thinking of Mom with our beloved Aunt Beverly, Uncle Dick, Uncle Ed, Grandpa and Nan too! Thank you for your blessings and prayers!!

Rebecca McIntyre - April 10, 2020 at 09:25 PM



“ Sam and Joyce Hoffman purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Patricia "Pat" Richardson.



Sam and Joyce Hoffman - April 10, 2020 at 08:40 PM



“ Becky, Dan and families, we are terribly sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. May fond memories of your mother bring you comfort during this hard time in your life. Our hearts and prayers go out to you and your family.

Mira, Igor , Roza and Anatoliy Kondratyev

Elmira Kondratyev - April 10, 2020 at 06:00 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Patricia "Pat" Richardson.



April 10, 2020 at 05:52 PM



“ T.o my beautiful and amazing sister Pat. What can I sau, you were my best friend, my traveling partner, my confidant..We shared everything. We usually ended our conversations with laughter, you told me that you loved to laugh.We both loved the outdoors, hiking and gardening. We had so many trips we took together. Every year we planned a new adventure. What fun we had getting ready. WE took so many pictures, and you made beautiful albums that you treasured. Nothing was too big or too small to talk about.We loved to discuss politics, books,our children,grandchildren an my great grandchildren..Pat was so excited about Rachel's wedding, she will be there in spirit. As I always told you as we ended our conversations Goodby Pat I love you

Betty Hoffman - April 10, 2020 at 04:32 PM



“ So beautiful - she loved you with her whole heart!

Rebecca McIntyre - April 10, 2020 at 07:56 PM



“ Becky, Dan and families, Please know you have my deepest thoughts and prayers. I will miss seeing your mom working in the yard next door and on her walks in the neighborhood. She was a hard worker, and her yard is a beautiful tribute to that! She will be missed. Sending sincere condolences.

Jean Ferris - April 10, 2020 at 11:51 AM



“ Paul, Paula, Katie, and Nathan purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Patricia "Pat" Richardson.



Paul, Paula, Katie, and Nathan - April 10, 2020 at 11:27 AM



“ Becky and Dan and families, so sorry to hear this news. You and your families are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.



Kevin & Emma Buck - April 10, 2020 at 11:24 AM



“ Thoughts and prayers to Becky, Dan, and family. Mrs. Richardson was a great and talented lady. She was my girl scout leader for many years. So creative and talented. I always admired her sewing and she would often show me what she was making while I waited for my mom to pick me up from scouts. As a sewer myself I was so in awe of what she would "tackle". I will never forget the bright red pleather coat and matching bag!! It inspired me to learn more! She was so kind and had a knack of keeping order in a kind and gentle way. RIP. Kathy (Raymond) Ihle

Kathy Ihle-Jackson - April 10, 2020 at 09:00 AM



“ Thank you Kathy for this beautiful memory of my mom! She taught herself how to sew! Unfortunately her talent at sewing didn't rub off on me! I did inherit her love of gardening and flowers - I will be transplanting many things from her gardens into mine to keep her "with me"!! Life long friends who remember your parents are so very special in our lives!!

Rebecca McIntyre - April 10, 2020 at 11:08 AM



“ Colette Miller lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Pat" Richardson



Colette Miller - April 10, 2020 at 08:43 AM



“ Jackie Leitzen lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Pat" Richardson



Jackie Leitzen - April 10, 2020 at 08:36 AM



“ Pat would always team up with Mom crossing the street to get to church. Mom thought the world of her, a fantastic lady! Please accept our sincere condolences.

-The Porter Family

Steve Porter - April 10, 2020 at 04:08 AM



“ Robert Randall lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Pat" Richardson



Robert Randall - April 09, 2020 at 11:42 PM



“ So sorry for you loss. She was such a special lady.
Love, Baba and Chuck

Marcile Fowler - April 09, 2020 at 08:01 PM



“ Dan, Becky, and family—So sorry to hear of your mother’s passing. We marveled at seeing Pat care for her flowers, mow her yard, and yes...even climb on her roof to clean out the eaves spouts. She was quite a lady, and wonderful neighbor. Pat told many stories of growing up in California and body surfing as a young girl. I know she always looked forward to her trips back to California to visit her sister...which generally included a lot of hiking the trails. We will miss our visits with her as she took her daily walks. She is in our prayers. Steve & Joan Sisler

Steve and Joan Sisler - April 09, 2020 at 07:32 PM



“ Erin (Murphy) Wiebenga lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Pat" Richardson



Erin (Murphy) Wiebenga - April 09, 2020 at 05:32 PM



“ Deepest sympathy to Dan and Becky and families. Sending my love and prayers to comfort you all.

Valareena DeSpain - April 09, 2020 at 05:18 PM



“ Becky & Dan & Families- Sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. Pat was a good person and great neighbor for over 45 years. I will miss seeing her walking and working in the yard. Thinking of you all. Prayers from Florida. Bill Wright & Family

William Wright - April 09, 2020 at 05:04 PM



“ Becky and Dan,

Your Mom will be missed. What a loving wonderful person she was. I have so many great memories of her.

Stan Guilinger

Stan Guilinger - April 09, 2020 at 04:51 PM



“ Bubba And Margo Hull lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Pat" Richardson



Bubba and Margo Hull - April 09, 2020 at 04:12 PM



“ So sorry to hear of your Moms passing. Take care Becky an Danny



Rita Troha - April 09, 2020 at 03:31 PM



“ Nancy Lantau Spencer lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Pat" Richardson



Nancy Lantau Spencer - April 09, 2020 at 03:21 PM



“ My other Mother in our early years, great girl scout leader, taffy maker! She will be missed



Kerry Kuhl - April 09, 2020 at 02:39 PM