



Patricia Marie Stebner

July 23, 1928 - March 2, 2013

Pat, passed away Saturday March 2, 2013 at Munson Medical Center surrounded by her loving family. She was born in Detroit on Monday, July 23, 1928 to Marie (Lyden) and Howard Baehr. She graduated from Cooley High in 1945. She worked in the Penobscott Building as a secretary for an insurance company following high school.

In 1948, after one blind date, she took a chance and moved from Detroit north to Traverse City, (in her mother's words, "that God forsaken place") to marry the love of her life, Allen on April 30, 1949. They lived for a time in the Port Oneida area before settling in Traverse City where they raised their four children. Family was everything to Pat, whom she focused on tirelessly. Later she went to work at Milliken's Department Store in the accounting department, where she worked for 17 years.

Pat and Allen enjoyed 50 years together. They enjoyed traveling with their camper to 49 states and all of the Provinces of Canada. They retired in their winter months to their Yuma, Arizona home, with several little side trips to Mexico. They also had a summer home in the Thompsonville area.

With unceasing love for her family, she remained independent to the end. She never asked for much and appreciated the smallest of things in life. Pat loved her flowers, photography, cooking and baking. She liked listening to the whip-or-wills at home and watching the roadrunners in Arizona.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Howard, who died in 1950 from polio, and her husband Allen, who died in 2000. She is survived by her children, Linda (Richard) Kenny of Alden, Carol (David) Mikowski of Cedar, William of Traverse City, James (Suzanne) of Traverse City; four grandsons, Thomas of Pittsburgh, PA, Kenneth, Samuel and Jack, all of Traverse City and her sister-in-law, Norene Martin of Bellaire.

Pat is now with Allen, traveling down some unfamiliar road. She was his navigator, as she was for all of us.

Visitation for Pat will take place from 6 until 8 p.m. Tuesday, March 5 at the Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home. There will be no formal service.

The family would ask that Pat be remembered through memorial contributions to one's favorite charity.

Please share your memories, thoughts and photos with Pat's family by way of her online guest book at <http://www.reynolds-jonkhoff.com>.

The family is being served by Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

Events

MAR **Visitation** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Reynolds-Jonkhoff Funeral Home

305 Sixth St, Traverse City, MI, US, 49684

Comments



“ Was going through an old trunk today when I found a couple of congratulatory cards from Pat and Allen that were sent when our two sons were born. Reading those old cards prompted me to think about what a great person Pat was. I remember the sparkle in her eyes and her words of support and encouragement. She had a way about her that made you want to tow the line without sounding harsh, a skill no doubt honed by raising four energetic and independently minded kids. Bless you Pat. Say hi to Allen for me. Allen McSweeney

Allen McSweeney - June 22, 2020 at 03:59 PM



“ Ron And Deb Murden lit a candle in memory of Patricia Marie Stebner



Ron and Deb Murden - March 07, 2013 at 07:46 AM



“ We too are touched by the obituary and send our condolence to the family. We are thinking of you today and so sorry for your loss.

Ron and Deb Murden - March 07, 2013 at 07:49 AM



“ Although I never met Pat, I feel like I know her from reading her touching and heartfelt obituary. I know she raised a wonderful son Bill with whom I have had the pleasure to work with for 28 years and admire and respect immensely. My thoughts and prayers go out to the entire family. David Rushlow

David Rushlow - March 05, 2013 at 02:34 PM



“ In Loving Memory of Patricia M. Stebner



Reynolds Jonkhoff Funeral Home - March 05, 2013 at 07:13 AM



“ I will always be grateful for the precious gift of your Mother's love and for the chance to love and know her. I will treasure our conversations and think of her often, especially when baking one of the wonderful recipes she shared with me. Your Mother raised a beautiful, loving family. Her love lives on in all of you. Keep that love alive.

Thank you, Pat. Love, Melanie

Melanie Ackerman - March 04, 2013 at 02:59 PM



“ I remember your mother being at most every one of Jack's baseball games and always enjoyed our conversations. I know she will be missed very much. My condolences to your family.

Sincerely, Deb Julian

Deb Julian - March 04, 2013 at 01:10 PM



“ Having lived the past 18 years next door to Pat's son, Jim, and his family, we had the opportunity to get to know Pat quite well via birthday and holiday gatherings. In addition to being a superb pastry baker (her apple and berry pies were legendary) and the archetypical grandma, Pat was well-read and an interesting conversationalist with definite opinions. We enjoyed her company and will miss her. Our most sincere condolences to her family. RIP, Pat.

Kathy Vezina and Don Thomas

Kathy Vezina - March 04, 2013 at 12:52 PM



“ I have never read a more tasteful and loving memory than the one shared in Mrs. Stebner's obituary. My thoughts and prayers are with the Stebner family.

Jim Batsakis

Jim Batsakis - March 04, 2013 at 09:15 AM