



Patricia C. Lewis

May 21, 1929 - March 16, 2016

On March 16, 2016, our angel on earth, Patricia C. Lewis (nee Gensler), of Indianapolis, passed away. Born May 21, 1929, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, she and husband Donald L. Lewis would have been celebrated 65 years of marriage this August. She was a proud and devoted mother of Pamela Price, Donna Faraci (Mike), Jeffrey Lewis and Gregory Lewis (Cheryl, deceased), grandmother of six grandsons Ryan Price, Derek Price, Jack Faraci, Kevin Faraci, Caleb Lewis and Noah Lewis, and three great-grandchildren Paige Price, Samuel Price and Abigail Price. She is preceded in death by her parents (Alois and Kathryn Gensler), her brothers (James and Gerald Gensler), and her sisters (Maureen Gensler and Mary Newell.)

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

APR 1. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (ET)

St. Jude Catholic Church
5353 McFarland Road
Indianapolis, IN 46227

Memorial Mass

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Tribute Wall

EV

“ No matter where a person was headed and no matter what they were going to do, “coupon Mom” always had a coupon ready! One time, I politely pointed out to Pat the coupon had expired three weeks earlier. Winking at me, she told me “don’t worry, just tell them Pat said it was okay for them to still honor the coupon and if that doesn’t work then call and I’ll talk to them.” We had a good laugh over that because we both knew that’s exactly what she would do if needed. I smile now, through my tears, knowing there is no doubt I would have been allowed to redeem the coupon by the end of that conversation. Good memories come flooding back to me while writing this note; wishing fun and happy memories like mine bring comfort to all in your family until you are someday reunited. A “Celebration of Life” is indeed a fitting tribute. You chased after life, you loved life, you embraced life, you lived life, and above all you loved your family. You were always there and ready to celebrate any of our successes regardless of how big or small it might have been. You loved a good joke and your smile, laughter and the twinkle in your eye made those around you feel good. Although we had our “moments” over the years, your love & caring was never in doubt; thank you for that. You have touched countless lives with your generosity of spirit and soul; I will remember and treasure the good times we had and I feel truly blessed to have known you. May you enjoy heaven’s beer garden....a cold green brewski now & then (I have it on good authority there is a happy hour), a little polka music, a card game with Jane; always know you will be missed! Until we meet again....

My love to you,

Evelyn

Evelyn - April 01, 2016 at 01:57 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Memories Album*



Shirley Brothers Mortuaries & Crematory - April 01, 2016 at 09:59 AM

BT

Many, many memorable times shown in this video.

Barbara Gensler Teese - April 05, 2016 at 11:01 PM

KH

“ *Karen Huelskamp purchased the Enduring Grace for the family of Patricia C. Lewis.*



Karen Huelskamp - March 30, 2016 at 03:46 PM

TF

“ *The Jim and Helen Morrison Family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Patricia C. Lewis.*



The Jim and Helen Morrison Family - March 30, 2016 at 01:16 PM

HP

“ Heather and Kimberly Price purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Patricia C. Lewis.



Heather and Kimberly Price - March 29, 2016 at 04:53 PM

 Ryan Price

“ My grandmother was a saint for putting up with her little Mr. Mischief. No matter what I did she was always there for me. Keep a jar of peels ready for when I get there gram. We Love you!

Ryan Price - March 28, 2016 at 11:24 PM

LH

“ I was lucky enough to have met Mrs. Lewis once. A very kind and giving spirit indeed. I remember she was very concerned that I got enough to eat when I sat down for dinner with the family (White Castle burgers and fries which was a first for me). She even took me out to the garage to hand me a bag of goodies (snacks and drinks) before I left for my long drive back to Virginia. A lovely woman who will be sorely missed by many. My heart and prayers go out to the family and friends during this difficult time. To her children: You are blessed to have had such a mother.

Laura Huff (a Virginian friend of Jeff and Sloan)

Laura Huff - March 28, 2016 at 07:13 PM

DP

I've never met Ms Lewis , but she seemed like a wonderful lady . I wonder what It was being with Jay Novello ? He was really funny in that episode of The Andy Griffith Show episode. Guest of Honor

Derek Palecki - September 09, 2020 at 11:25 AM

KA

“ I didn't know Pat as well as the others since I moved away over 20 years ago, but still she always treated me as family. She was meant to give and did it well. She will be missed by many. Thoughts and prayers to all of Pat's family..

Kathy Faraci

Kathy - March 28, 2016 at 05:06 PM

RG

“ If we were to be likened to parts of speech, most of us would be nouns and a few of us would be adjectives, but Pat would definitely be a verb. Pat was all about action and motion. She was a woman who either got things done herself, told you exactly how to get it done or knew who to contact to get it done! It was impossible to keep pace with this energetic, passionate woman! Her preparedness for all situations would shame an Eagle Scout. Pat did not take no for an answer and I'm pretty sure the word "can't " was foreign to her.

She loved her children and grandchildren fiercely and would not hesitate to walk through fire or crawl through broken glass if need be. Pat lived to be of service to others. It's not just what she did, it was who she was!

I had the privilege of growing up next door to the Lewis family and Pat was a surrogate mother to me. I have so many fond and precious memories of Pat and I will miss her terribly. I loved her deeply and am heartbroken that she has left us. I don't know how heaven is run, but I guarantee Pat will be directly involved in it.

Roberta Grace - March 28, 2016 at 11:36 AM

JF

“*Pat (Mrs. Lewis) will surely be missed. The proverbial "Mother Hen". I will remember her as a kind and caring woman. She tried very hard to make sure you were taken care of. From the first time I met her to the last time I saw her, her goal was to make you feel comfortable and welcome.*

Cindy and I will continue to pray for all of you.

John Faraci

John Faraci - March 28, 2016 at 08:33 AM

MF

“ Pat will always be remembered for her love of family. I became aware of this when I made status as her favorite son-in-law. We enjoyed many spirited discussions and matching wits and I remember a few such occasions where she allowed me to win, maybe just to keep me in the game.

Although, what I will always think of when I think of Pat is the love she had for her 'extended' family. Pat treated everyone she came in contact with as a member of her 'family', even the first time strangers she would meet, anywhere, anytime. They all became a member of her family and were treated as such. She always wanted to do things for you, sometimes to a fault.

One after dinner evening at her home she offered me some vanilla ice cream for dessert. I politely declined several times but finally just gave in and said a small dish would be fine. I must say the first spoonful gave me a bit of a surprise when it turned out to be cheesecake!

Since then, we have laughed many times about the vanilla ice cream incident.

Guess, I'll just have to wait for the Belgium waffles and fresh strawberries.

Pat was the most kindhearted woman I ever met, she will be missed dearly.

RIP Pat.

Love you always.

Mike

Mike Faraci - March 27, 2016 at 10:28 AM

DO

“ Mom not only did more than enough for her family, her big heart also extended to helping countless others through the years. Her last act was to donate her tissue to help burn victims. As a teenager I was somewhat embarrassed that mom always had whatever someone needed at that time!! She must have had endless pockets with which to stash those items - kleenex, sewing needle with thread, bobby pins, even extra socks!! Now I do the same to my boys. You taught me well mom. I miss you so much and am so glad I was able to tell you how much I loved you. We kids were lucky in that we were always able to pop in to visit, take you to dinner and show our love even up to the end. The road did rise up to meet you mom!!

Donna - March 25, 2016 at 06:08 PM