



M. "Patricia" Diekman

June 24, 1941 - February 18, 2024

Mary "Patricia" Diekman, of St. Clair Shores, passed away on February 18, 2024 at the age of 82. Pat led a full life in her own independent way. Never married, she loved her dogs, especially Muffin. Pat graduated from the University of Detroit Mercy with a Bachelor of Business Administration at a time when women did not typically receive college educations. She retired from Blue Cross Blue Shield and then retired again from Macomb County. She was a very frugal person which allowed her to become an investor and she had several rental homes. Pat knew she had to rely on herself and was never in need. Aunt Pat was kind to her nieces and nephews and cared deeply for her parents and siblings, especially her brother Bernard.

Pat was the youngest child of Helen (nee' Esper) and Bernard Diekman. Loving sister of Helen (Albert) Speelman, Bernard Diekman, Margaret "Margie" (Vince) Zichi and Rosemarie (Lawrence) Dettloff. Loving aunt to 13 nieces and nephews: Sharon (Mike) Miller, Daniel (Karen) Speelman, Cindy (Mike) Zaglewski, Christine Speelman; Lawrence (Judy) Dettloff, Pam (Roger) Harris, Diane (Keven) Szafranski, Denise (Jim) Sharples; Janette (Mike) Phillips, Ron (Kelly) Zichi, Donna (Dave) Senopole, Nancy (Jeff) Buyle, Judy (Jack) Ferres. Pat is the loving great aunt to 23 and great-great aunt to 21 with 2 more on the way.

Pat's family will receive friends for visitation on Thursday, February 22, 2024 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. with a rosary at 7:00 p.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 8459 Hall Road (3 blocks East of Van Dyke), Utica. A

funeral mass to celebrate Pat's life will continue on Friday, February 23, instate from 10:30 a.m. until the time of her mass at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 9844 Woodward Avenue, Detroit. Interment at Resurrection Cemetery, Clinton Township.

If you would like to make a memorial contribution on Pat's behalf, please visit sharedetroit.org and choose a charity that speaks to your heart. Please leave a tribute or share a story of Pat at www.SullivanFuneralDirectors.com

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Road
Clinton Township, MI 48038

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **22**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Wm Sullivan and Son Funeral Home
8459 Hall Road
Utica, MI 48317
(586) 731-2411
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Rosary

FEB **22**. 7:00 PM (ET)

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Instate At Church

FEB **23**. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Cathedral of the Most Blessed Sacrement
9844 Woodward Avenue
Detroit, MI 48202

Funeral Mass

FEB **23**. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Pink, White, and Purple Dahlia Saddle (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of M. "Patricia" Diekman.*



February 23, 2024 at 08:09 PM



“ *All of Us at Ambrosia Villa planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of M. "Patricia" Diekman.*

All of Us at Ambrosia Villa - February 23, 2024 at 08:09 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of M. "Patricia" Diekman.*



February 21, 2024 at 07:18 PM



“ *Love: Eric, Danielle and Sienna Conner planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of M. "Patricia" Diekman.*

Love: Eric, Danielle and Sienna Conner - February 21, 2024 at 07:18 PM

GF

“ My name is Ginny Frendo. Pat and I became friends in high school through a mutual friend, Nancy Paul. Pat and I went on a trip together to California in 1963. We were good friends in the 60's. We even ended up sharing an apartment from 1967 to 1970. We had some great times together. While we were living together so many memorable things were happening in the world. Some good and some not so good. We were together during the race riots in 67, the Tigers world series win in 1968 - the assassinations, of JFK, Bobby Kennedy, Martin Luther King and the Viet Nam war. Pat was a great person to talk with. We lost touch during later years but I will always remember her as a very good friend. I was so sorry to hear of her passing but know that if there is a reward after this life she is enjoying it now.

Ginny Frendo - February 21, 2024 at 09:45 AM

JP

“ Aunt Pat was a gentle soul and God-filled. She is at peace and home with her family, dogs and her Lord. God bless you Aunt Pat



Janette Phillips - February 20, 2024 at 10:07 PM