



Patricia Ann Salter

November 11, 1933 - February 11, 2023

Salter, Patricia Ann. Born November 11, 1933 in Detroit, Michigan to the late George and Margaret Cronin. Died February 11, 2023 in Troy, Michigan at age 89.

Patti was a resident of Royal Oak since 1962 and employed by the George Instrument Company of Royal Oak since 1933. She was very active with Metro Detroit Youth Clubs. She was a member of the Board of Directors of the Clawson YWCA, a member of the League of Catholic Women and very active at The Bargain Counter in Berkley.

Patti was an avid bowler for many years. She graduated from St. Anthony's High School and was active in their monthly luncheon club. She also attended the University of Detroit.

Beloved wife of the late Jack L. Loving mother of John (Kelley), Brigid Poirer, Robert and the late Mary. Cherished grandmother of nine and great grandmother of five. Predeceased by 11 brothers and sisters.

In state Tuesday, February 14th, 9:30am until Funeral Mass at 10:00am at National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica, Royal Oak.

Memorials to Metro Detroit Youth Clubs, Royal Oak <https://www.miclubs.org/#>

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Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 14. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

National Shrine of the Little Flower Basilica
2100 W. 12 Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48073

Funeral Mass

FEB 14. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

MF

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this most difficult time. Aunt Patti was always happy and smiling, she was the young aunt, that always had gum or candy 🍬 to give to us little ones. When I was about 7 yrs old, Aunt Patti was 20 and always fun to be with when we visited Grandma and Grandpa’s house in Detroit. After Aunt Patti married, she was known for her welcoming everyone to their house by announcing your arrival in the front window.

Many memories, happy 😊 and sad 😭 will keep your Mom and Dad alive in your hearts. I am the middle child of Aunt Georgina and Uncle Ed. Sister of Bill Robin and Rita Robin Reisner.
Margaret Ellen Robin Florip and Dave Florip. Lakeville, Minnesota

Margaret Ellen Robin Florip - February 14, 2023 at 09:49 PM

LZ

“ Brigid, I m sorry for your loss . Your mom and dad were wonderful people . I’m so sorry I missed the funeral . May you carry on memories Lisa zimmerman

lisa zimmerman - February 14, 2023 at 07:05 PM

MW

“ *Whoever said Aunt Patti was a class act was right on. She and Uncle Jack loved their kids and grandkids and made room for the extended family like Katie and Erwin and I. They always made themselves available when we were in town and often invited other Aunts and cousins to visit with us. They couldn't stop bragging on their family. They were the two we could count on visiting my Mom and Dad's home at Christmas. That's when my Dad would get the whiskey off the top shelf of the linen closet. As much as they loved their families, they always had time for others. Their community service was known far and wide. I met a woman at my church in Colorado whose sister adopted two girls from China. The sister lived in Royal Oak so I would visit her when in town. When she found out I was related to the Salters, she could not stop talking about all they had done for Royal Oak. Aunt Patti and Uncle Jack were celebrities. They were very caring people who could be the poster couple for Christian service. I will miss them. I will keep their family in my prayers as they grieve the loss of their Mom and Grandma.*

Mary Wybenga - February 14, 2023 at 06:17 PM

CM

“ Patti was an exceptional gem! I met Patti at George Instrument when I worked there in the late 90's. She was kind, caring, and always trying to make a difference in the life of others. She touched my life in a way I could never possibly forget. After my daughter was diagnosed at age 11 with a retinal disease that left her severely visually impaired I was frustrated trying to find ways for her to be able to read again. I shared with Patti how frustrated I was to get her items like a CC TV and books that a teen would love to read. I wasn't getting the items she needed for school through the normal channels a parent would typically get them through. Patti shared that there was a library as close as Pontiac that could help my daughter. It was called the Library for the Blind and Dyslexic. Patti put me in touch with a contact who met with us immediately, got my daughter registered and gave her the items she needed for school, all within mere days!! Patti went above and beyond to make a difference in our lives and it speaks volumes to the type of exceptional individual she was. I am eternally grateful. Later, her wonderful husband, Jack, wrote an article in the Daily Tribune about my daughter and the library Patti so graciously put us in contact with in 2004. I ran into Patti years later in Royal Oak and it was like we had just seen each other yesterday. She filled me in with all the different things I had missed since the last time we met. That was the kind of person Patti was; warm, friendly and always giving of her time. The world has lost a brilliant light and I will be eternally grateful for Patti Salter 💖

Cheri McQueen - February 12, 2023 at 07:48 PM

KS

“ I remember her messages in her window when they lived across the street from Northwood. Patti was one of the kindest people I have ever known. You always knew her smile was genuine and came from her heart. Peace.

Kathy and Jack Sawtell - February 12, 2023 at 03:46 PM

DK

“Patti was my very first friend! She lived across the street from me, so I have known her for 89 years. Her family was so large that each of my siblings was a friend to one of her siblings. Still stayed in touch all these years, getting together for lunch whenever we could. Sometimes, just her and I, another time with Marlene Kornack, the very last time, Jack even joined us. I was saddened to see the notice in the paper this morning. I really wondered because I hadn't heard from her when I sent a birthday card and Christmas card. Sending my sincere sympathy to her family. She was a great person to know.

Love,
Doris Kollinger

Doris Kollinger - February 12, 2023 at 03:30 PM

BB

I met Patty through her husband Jack. Patty was always so youthful and always had a smile for you. My favorite story she told me was before she met Jack she went to Rome with a couple of girlfriends she said she tossed a coin in the famous Trevi fountain which was in the movie *Three Coins in a Fountain* and made a wish .” I said What did you wish for Patty? She said a husband. Patty said when she got home from her trip she met Jack ! Loved that she shared that story with me . We will all miss you Patty . ❤️

Bonnie Bourque - February 13, 2023 at 07:59 AM

CP

“ Patti was always such an encourager and a supporter of her husband Jack, the children and families of the Royal Oak Boys’ and Girls’ Club and to anyone like me, who needed encouragement. She was kind to everyone and loved her community. Patti and Jack were a power couple but never realized the positive influences they had on those around them because they were both gracious and humble people. They didn’t need praise or pats on the back every time they did something because it was never about them, it was about others.

Patti and the late Jack were always there for me whenever I had a question or had a problem as I volunteered at the Boys and Girls Club for many years and served on the Board of Trustees for 8 years. There were many ups and downs but I could always call Patti or Jack and they would help me resolve whatever was going on. Patti encouraged me to become a volunteer probation officer in Royal Oak and kept encouraging me that helping others to lift them up was a good thing. Patti and Jack taught me so much about volunteering and giving back to the community. I am a better person for knowing them and I truly loved them and will never forget all that they did for me.

Cindy Parsons - February 12, 2023 at 10:26 AM