



## Patricia "Pat" Buhler

September 4, 1931 - September 20, 2010

Patricia Ann (O'Connell) Buhler, 79, Topeka; died September 17, 2010 after an extended illness. Pat was born September 4, 1931 in St Joseph, MO; the only child of Jeremiah O'Connell and Ethel Theisen. Pat graduated from The Convent of the Sacred Heart and Platt Business College. She was employed by Sheridan Clayton Paper company, in St Joseph, where she met Charles Buhler; a salesman there. Pat married Charlie Buhler June 16, 1956 at St Joseph's Co-Cathedral Catholic Church. Charlie & Pat moved from St Joseph to Topeka, KS in January 1967 and have lived in that house since. Pat was a homemaker in the truest sense of the word. Having 5 boys was only part of the reason many of the over 50 kids in the neighborhood, and later high school and college kids made Pat's house their other home. Pat was a confidant, mentor and friend to many who spent time there. Pat made volunteering a part of her life. She began with library and coaching in grade school. She and Charlie helped with the building of the St Lawrence center at Kansas University. They also taught marriage prep classes in the Catholic Church. While her sons were in Hayden High school, Pat and Charlie became a key part of the alumni and fundraising efforts at Hayden. For over 30 years, they worked PACE auctions, bingo and concession stands. A scholarship was created in their honor at Hayden in 2007. Pat is survived by her husband of 54 years, Charlie; her sons Paul (Sherry) Shawnee, KS, Brian (Laurie) Berryton, KS, John, Keller, TX, David (Gwin) Topeka, KS and Mark (Becky) Greeley, CO; and grandchildren: Shannon; Mandi and Skylor; Chelsea, Emily and

Brad; Ben, Chris and Dan; and numerous nieces, nephews and extended family. Pat was preceded in death by her parents, and her 4 half brothers, John and Robert O'Connell, Joseph and William McDonald. Visitation will be Mon. 4-8p.m. at Mater Dei Holy Name Catholic Church in Topeka. The family will receive friends from 6-8p.m. A parish rosary and prayer service will be held at 6:30p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at Mater Dei Holy Name Catholic Church at 10:00a.m. Tues. Interment will be in Mount Calvary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Buhler Family Scholarship Program, PACE at Hayden High School, Topeka or Midland Hospice House, Topeka.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia "Pat" Buhler*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Charlie, I was very sorry to hear about your loss of of your wife Pat. I remember when I first went into the Ins. business your home was one of the first that I visited.*

*I have always felt you & Pat & your children were my friends that you have a great family.*

*Pat was a great person and I know you will miss her so very much.  
Harvey Smith*

Harvey Smith - September 21, 2010 at 06:24 PM



“ *Kevin and I join in sending our sympathies to you all -- Charlie, Paul, Brian, John, David and Mark -- upon the passing of your mother and our adopted "mom" Mrs. B. She was one of the grandest ladies I've ever known. I treasure memories of times spent in your home with her and all of you. Time has not erased those precious memories. May God continue to bless each of you with comfort and peace, knowing that one day we will all (believers) see her again in Heaven.*

*Love,  
Michele Cochran Reese  
Hayden Class of 1974*

Michele Cochran Reese - September 21, 2010 at 05:28 PM

FJ

“ *Mr. Buhler, Paul, Brian, John, David, Mark and the entire Buhler family; you are all in my thoughts and prayers as you say goodbye to Mrs B. Along with mine, she touched, guided and comforted so many lives as we "grew up". So many memories of running rampant in the big house as she stood in the kitchen smiling, quasi-reprimanding and always listening to the numerous life dramas we were going thru and giving advice and her love to us. We were all lucky to have her part of our lives. God keep her and Bless you all.*

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**Felipe Rangel Jr.** - September 21, 2010 at 09:31 AM

DW

“ *Dearest John and Family,  
Katie and I want you to know that we have you in our thoughts and prayers. May God hold you close and give you comfort, peace and understanding during this difficult time. If you need anything, please do not hesitate to let us know.*

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**Donna & Katie Wawak** - September 20, 2010 at 02:09 PM

TF

“ *Dear Buhler Family,*

*Please accept our sincerest prayers and condolences during this very difficult time of loss for your family. John, Debbie and I are thinking of you. Please let us know if there is anything we can do to support you.*

*Greg and Debbie Stanwood*

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**The Stanwood Family** - September 20, 2010 at 01:18 PM

JS

“ Dear Friends - It seems as long as my family has been a part of the Topeka Catholic/Hayden community - we've had so many positive contacts with the Buhler family. While Pat's passing brings sorrow, it is shared by our whole community. We're all fortunate to have so many good memories to soothe the sorrow. God bless you all - JVS

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**John, Lori, Chris & Ben Spain** - September 20, 2010 at 11:55 AM

NG

“ Charlie, Paul, Brian, John, David and Mark,  
I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of your beloved wife and mother. Please know that you are all in our thoughts and prayers. Find comfort in the Lord, and may He give you strength and peace to make it through this difficult time. Blessings to you all....Nancy, David and family

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**Nancy (Schmitz) Gregory** - September 20, 2010 at 09:14 AM

BF

“ Mr.Buhler, Paul, Brian, John, David, Mark, and all your families - I am so sorry for your loss. You were all truly blessed by having Mrs. B as were hundreds of others. She was a wonderful, caring person who touched a lot of people. I personally benefited from knowing her and your family has always been there for me. I treasure all the moments. May God bring comfort and peace to all of you during this time.

*In His name,  
Love, Barb (Tinsley)*

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**Barb & Scott DeWalt and family** - September 19, 2010 at 09:56 PM

JM

“ *David, Gwin and Family,*

*We are so sorry to hear about your mother. May faith, family and friends get you through this difficult time. We know you have many memories to cherish and comfort you. Jan and Mike Michel and Family*

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**Jan Michel** - September 19, 2010 at 02:09 PM

KF

“ *Sorry to hear of Mrs Buhler passing. She was a great lady and will be missed by all,our prayers to you all*

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**Kirby,Tammy Cameron & Family** - September 19, 2010 at 01:40 PM