



Patricia 'Pat' Degan

June 26, 1926 - February 14, 2011

Patricia Marie Degan passed away Tuesday February 14, 2011 in Topeka surrounded by her family. Patricia was born in Hays, Kansas to Edgar Ross Howard and Rose Margaret McGuire on June 26th 1926. She was soon adopted by Christopher "Dade" and Frances Adelman of Topeka. Patricia attended elementary school in Topeka and High School at the Ursuline Academy Paola, Kansas. She attended Loretta Heights College in Denver, Colorado graduating in 1948 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English. April 15,th 1950 she married Edgar William Degan Jr. at Holy Name Church, (he preceded her in death), they had three children. They survive. Patricia worked at Billie's Ladies Apparel in Westboro Plaza and Saint Francis Hospital. She also was a founding member of Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church and enjoyed traveling, food, and a dry martini... three olives. Her house was always open to friends and she was known for her Christmas parties after Midnight Mass. She was kind, strong and accepting of all people and lived life on her own terms. Her biggest joy was raising her children. She is survived by three loving children Rebecca "Becky" (Steve) Stock of Houston, Texas, Kathleen "Kathy" Bryant of Leawood, Kansas and Edgar "Ed" and (Jan) Degan of Denver, Colorado. She had four grandchildren; Ashley Stock, Richardson, Texas, Michael Degan Bryant deceased, Mark Bryant, Kirkwood, Washington and Clare (Degan) Reisenauer, Denver Colorado. There will be a Memorial Mass on Thursday February 17th, 10:00 at Most Pure Heart of Mary Church. Friends are encouraged to attend. In lieu of flowers contributions can

be made to The Library Foundation, Topeka & Shawnee County Public Library
Red Carpet Services 1515 SW 10th Ave Topeka, KS 66604-1374.

Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia 'Pat' Degan*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Ed, sorry about your mom, I was out of town and missed you. she was a great lady and always fun to run into. steve*

Steve Knoll - March 01, 2011 at 09:45 AM



“ *Becky, Kathy & Ed,
Sorry to hear about Pat....she was such a nice person. I still drive down Arnold street and always remember so many great friends and neighbors! You are in my thoughts and prayers.
Fondly,
Cheryl McCrite*

Cheryl Collier McCrite - February 17, 2011 at 01:18 PM



“ *Kathy and Family,
I was so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. She was such a sweet lady ...always bright, fun and cheery. Thoughts and prayers are with you.
Loretta*

Loretta (Fallon) Shelley - February 17, 2011 at 09:56 AM

ED

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you in the loss of this sweet lady. We enjoyed knowing her and (Emily) sharing a dining table with her. May God give you all peace and comfort.

Emily Dodge, Jim & Jan Dodge - February 16, 2011 at 09:04 PM

VW

“ I'm so sorry to hear about Pat. I was her caregiver for awhile and truly enjoyed her. She was very sweet and a joy to be with. I will miss her. May God bless her and all of you.

Veronica Winsor - February 16, 2011 at 07:16 PM

JF

“ Very sorry to read of the loss of your Mother, may she Rest In Peace.

John Finucane - February 16, 2011 at 06:28 PM

DS

“ Kathy and family, I was so sorry to read of your mom's passing. She was a wonderful lady. I remember the great times we had at the Arnold St. house, many years ago. She's in heaven now and I suppose dad is working on her car. Please know that you are all in my thoughts and prayers.

Deb Friedl Salisbury - February 16, 2011 at 03:28 PM

PH

“ To the family our life long friend,
Our families had so much fun together through the years, thanks to
your mother. She was very special to us all.

Our prayers and condolences are with you,

Patty (Moore) Haines and Family

Patricia Haines - February 16, 2011 at 02:09 PM

MS

“ Degan family,

Our deepest sympathy. Your mother and you are in our thoughts
and prayers.

Muriel Segerson and family

Muriel Segerson - February 16, 2011 at 01:49 PM

MB

“ Becky, Kathy and Ed,

*I was sorry to hear of your mother's death. I haven't seen her or any
of you in years, but I do have great memories of spending time with
your family. I live in Northwest Arkansas now with my husband and
four daughters. I'm sorry I won't be in Topeka for the funeral. Do you
suppose my mom and yours are having a bridge game right about
now? My thoughts and prayers will be with you all.*

With love, Margaret Falley Bartell

Margaret Falley Bartell - February 16, 2011 at 12:28 PM

MS

“ *Becky, Kathy and Ed,
I'm truly sorry for your loss. Patty was such a treasure to all who knew her. I remember fun times at the house on Arnold and I know how much my folks, Otto and Theresa, loved her. I know they are greeting her in heaven!! I will always remember her fabulous smile and twinkling eyes. Fondly, Mary T Schnellbacher-Decker*

Mary T. Schnellbacher-Decker - February 16, 2011 at 09:05 AM

MS

“ *To My Cousins....Becky, Kathy & Ed...
Our Dear Aunt Pat...The original cook of PB&J's,
with a little bottle of the forbidden and yummy coke-a-cola...every child's dream of an Aunt! "Hi Doll" she always said with a smile...She was simply THE BEST'...
As she lands in Heaven, may they hand her a martini as she crosses the threshold! My thoughts are with you all, and please know I am there with you in spirit as you celebrate the life of your dear, dear sweet and wonderful mother, my Aunt Pat.
Much Love, Mindy Sunday*

Mindy Sunday - February 16, 2011 at 12:57 AM

BS

“ *Dear Kathy, Becky and Ed,
Sorry about the passing of your Mom. I have fond memories of Pat. The house on Arnold was always such a fun place to visit! I always felt a part of your family. It is sad so many of our loved ones are gone. We are left to remember all the good times.
Fondly, Bobbi Showalter*

Bobbi Showalter - February 15, 2011 at 06:02 PM

MB

“ Cathy and all,

My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time. Your mother was such a wonderful person and will be greatly missed. She was always supportive and so very helpful when my dad was in the hospital off and on before he passed. God Bless her and all of you as well.

*Fondly,
Mary Beth*

Mary Beth Brennan - February 15, 2011 at 04:01 PM