



Patricia Mahoney

February 14, 1938 - September 26, 2021

Peacefully and surrounded by love, Patricia Arlene Mahoney of Topeka, Kansas passed away on September 26, 2021, at the age of 83.

Pat was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in June of 2016. She fought the disease with the same positivity and strength as she approached all things in her life, continuing to enjoy travel to Colorado, Europe and Alaska and spending time with family.

Pat was born on February 14, 1938, to Blanche and Leo Patterson. She grew up on a farm in Tecumseh, Kansas, with many vibrant stories of her farm life. Pat attended Tecumseh Elementary, Highland Park High School, Washburn University and received two Master's Degrees from Emporia State University and Kansas State University.

Pat married David Leo Mahoney on October 3, 1970, in Perth, Australia, where she taught at a Christian Brothers' School. Dave and Pat moved back to Topeka in 1973. In 1977, she began working in the Atchison/Jefferson County Co-op in special education. She transitioned to teaching 3rd grade at Jefferson West Elementary where she finished her 41-year teaching career.

During her retirement from teaching, Pat remained a passionate advocate for children. She spent countless hours volunteering as a board member for

Court Appointed Special Advocates for Children, Kansas Children's Discovery Center, and as a Master Gardener always focusing on the projects that engaged children.

Pat will be remembered lovingly by her husband of 51 years Dave; daughters, Bridget Farmer and Allison Heaney (Adam); grandchildren, who were the center of her universe, Abigail and Eva Farmer, and Leo and Max Heaney; brother, Richard Patterson (Martha); sister, Alyce Lloyd; and siblings gained through marriage, Teresa Boeding, Alice Heideman, Agnes Commodore (Robert), Patricia Stallbaumer (Patrick), Lucille Haverkamp (Larry), Sue Mahoney and their families. She was preceded in death by her parents and siblings gained through marriage, Helen Broxterman (Don), S.J. Boeding, Gerald Heideman and Tom Mahoney.

Pat was a friend to all she met, a passionate teacher with a legacy of students whose lives she changed, an extensive traveler and explorer, a baker whose desserts remain legendary, a loving and supportive mom who proved to be a role model for parenting, a grandma who loved her grandchildren tenderly and unconditionally, and a loyal and loving wife to her best friend Dave whose marriage was one to emulate.

Visitation will be 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, October 3, 2021, at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd, Topeka KS 66614. Rosary will be prayed at 9:30 a.m. Monday October 4, 2021, at Mater Dei Assumption, 204 SW 8th, Topeka KS 66603, where Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Private inurnment will be at a later date. To prevent the transmission of the COVID-19 Virus, masks are required at the funeral home and the Church.

Mass of Christian Burial will be live streamed on the funeral home's Facebook page.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Kansas Children's Discovery Center and sent in care of the funeral home. Condolences may be sent online to www.kevinbrennfamily.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Rosary

OCT 4. 9:30 AM (CT)

Mater Dei Assumption Church
204 SW 8th St
Topeka, KS 66603

Mass of Christian Burial

OCT 4. 10:00 AM (CT)

Mater Dei Assumption Church
204 SW 8th St
Topeka, KS 66603

Tribute Wall



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Patricia Mahoney



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - October 01, 2021 at 03:24 PM



“ Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Patricia Mahoney



Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home - September 28, 2021 at 12:04 PM



“ Patricia Mahoney

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM

LP

“ Dave, Bridget and Allison, we are so very sorry to hear about Pat. She was truly a very special lady and will be greatly missed by so many.

Please know that you are in our prayers.
Larry and Jean Pierce

Larry Pierce - October 03, 2021 at 12:02 PM

MH

“ Mark and Rita Henault purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Patricia Mahoney.



Mark and Rita Henault - October 02, 2021 at 04:02 PM

SB

“ Dave, Bridgett & Allison and families
We're so sorry to hear about Pat. She truly was an inspiration to all who met her.
We used to attend Mater Dei and I was a Eucharist Ministers with Dave & Pat.
Pat is truly in a better place, free of all pain.
You are all in our prayers.
Sally & John Brooke

Sally Brooke - September 30, 2021 at 07:10 PM

MG

“ Dave and family, Our deepest sympathy for your loss. Pat will be dearly missed by all who had the opportunity to know her. You and your family are in our prayers. Aric, Kylie, Ricky and Mary Gentry

mary gentry - September 29, 2021 at 04:53 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia Mahoney.*



September 29, 2021 at 04:46 PM



“ *Bridget and family:
My sincere condolences on the loss of Pat. My mother, Carol Musil, and Pat were friends in the 70's here in Topeka, as they were both teachers. On several occasions Pat would babysit me when we still lived here in Topeka. I still have a couple of photos of Bridget and me playing together as little kids. I know our moms kept in touch via Christmas cards for many, many years, no doubt sharing the joys (and tribulations) of teaching.
I am so very sorry for your loss. May happy memories carry you all through this difficult time.
With sympathy-
Brenda Musil*

Brenda Musil - September 29, 2021 at 03:05 PM



“ *Deepest condolence to Dave and girls. Pat was loved by all and such a blessing to all who knew her. Her love for all her students which included my two children was genuine! She touched so many lives. God received an angel in Pat. She will be missed by many.
Sincerely Jim, Nancy, Jenny and Casey Jones*

Nancy jones - September 28, 2021 at 09:42 PM

VS

“ Pat Mahoney was one of the most talented, kind, and inspirational teachers I have ever met. She treated all of her students including my son like they were her own. She instilled from day one that each class was a “family” and should treat each other with kindness and respect! I volunteered in her class one year and enjoyed her wit, perspective on life, and joy of teaching! My thoughts and prayers are with all of you!💔😭. She was a gem indeed!🙏

Virginia Soppe - September 28, 2021 at 12:50 PM