

Home

Take pause for just a moment
And look up to the skies
I want to show you heaven
As seen through joyful eyes
The moment I arrived here
I saw the sweetest sight
All those who'd gone before me
Surrounded by His light
They reached out and embraced me
And instantly I knew
That I'd fulfilled my purpose
And one day you will too
It's natural you are sad now
But try to let that go
There's overwhelming peace here
And beauty all aglow
We have no pain or suffering
No thought of right or wrong
No one here's an outsider
Each one of us belong
There is no sense of judgment
His light reveals our soul
Each one unique and perfect
We make each other whole
So when you really miss me
Just cast your eyes above
Remember, I am home now
And sending you my love
~ Donna Schilling



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Patricia (Pat) was born on Thursday, May 2, 1946, in Shoal Lake, Manitoba to Robert and Marie McComb. Their family home was always busy growing up alongside her older sister Grace and four brothers Bob, Orval, Wayne, and Ken. She quickly learned the value of love, laughter,



and hard work each of which she carried throughout her life.

In 1954, the family moved to Bredenbury, Saskatchewan before settling in the north, where Creighton, Saskatchewan became home in 1955/56. At fifteen years old, Pat met the love of her life, Keith Coutts, and their adventures together began.

Pat set out to pursue her passion for hairdressing by attending The Marvel Beauty School in Saskatoon where she graduated in 1964. Over the years, she was our personal hairstylist from perms and frosted tips to mullets and buzzcuts, she kept us up with the trends. As we got older, she would remind us "if you're going to be picky, you can go pay for it."

A year later, in 1965, she married her best friend and true love, with family and friends by their side on Saturday, August 14th in Flin Flon, Manitoba. Their honeymoon in Banff, Alberta was a trip they would never forget and inspired them to relocate to Calgary in 1966. The following year began with exciting news as they found out she was expecting their first child. Dreams of starting a family of their own were coming true, Darin was born November 12, 1967, followed by Pamela on January 14, 1970, in Calgary, AB.

Soon after Pamela was born, they made the decision to move their young family back to the north, where Wanless, Manitoba became their home and Coutts' Greenhouses began. They worked hard building their home and business from the ground up. She was never afraid of hard work or getting her hands dirty. She was an early riser and began every morning grateful for another day.

On October 25th, 1974, they welcomed their third child, Kevin to the world and their family was complete. They were later blessed with 7 grand-children and 5 great-grandchildren and very proud of each of them.

Pat loved her community, was always willing to volunteer or help a neighbour. She took on many projects over the years, but was very proud of the Wanless Cemetery and so happy to see the completion of the columbarium project.

She loved her flowers. Having a green thumb was an understatement. She took pride in the beauty of her yard and helping others fill their flowerbeds with all the colors from the greenhouse. She loved music, from belting out a tune or hitting the dance floor, to tapping her foot to the beat of her favorite country song. Music was a huge part of her life. Pat was a loyal friend and cherished the friendships she made over the years. She spoke so lovingly about those around her.

She loved her family, they were her entire world. She always had an ear to listen, be there to offer advice, support, and kept an open mind. You could always count on her to be your road trip partner or to go on an adventure.

She was the rock of our family; our party planner, Easter-egg hunt coordinator, and Nanaimo bar master. She made every Christmas feel like magic.

Everyone had to have a stocking and the lights of her Christmas villages brightened her home. She made every day spent together feel like a celebration. She wore her heart on her sleeve, and always made us feel loved.

She was the best Gramma. Her grandkids kept her busy and loved every moment they spent with her. Whether it was a day on the balcony watching hummingbirds, a swim at Rocky Lake, or an afternoon game of marbles, she always made sure her grandkids felt loved and were having fun. When they were little, her yard was their playground. "Taste testing" mud pies, driving quads or skidoos, and playing in the garden were only a few of the fun activities they always looked forward to with her.

She was a fighter and faced many obstacles throughout her life including her recent illness, but always met them with both strength and grace. Even on her worst days, her kindness towards others remained.

Pat passed away peacefully, surrounded by family, on Tuesday, April 11, 2023 at St. Anthony's Hospital in The Pas, Manitoba at age 76 years.

Pat will be forever missed by her husband Keith, children Darin (Angie), Pamela (Roger), Kevin (Barb). Grandchildren – Kailyn, Allyssa, Aidan, Liam, Corey, Breanne, Courtney. Great-grandchildren – Serena, Carter, Kooper, Kion, Sabastian, many other family members, friends, and the community.

Pat was pre-deceased by her parents Robert and Marie McComb, Earl and Louise Coutts, brothers Bruce (infant) and Orval McComb, brother in-laws Ray McTavish and Ray Coutts, sister in-law Geri McComb.



Celebration of Life

Saturday, June 17, 2023 11:00 am
Wanless Community Hall, Wanless, MB

Presider: James Hemauer

Memories from the Heart:

Heather McKinnon, Allyson Makar

Service Songs Special to Pat's Family

"Beat You There" Will Dempsey

"Grandma's Garden" Zach Brown

"Heaven's Lucky to Have You" Jonathan Lee

Lord's Prayer

**Interment at a later date at the
Creighton Community Columbarium**

*In lieu of flowers, donations to the Wanless Community Club,
Box 111, Wanless, Manitoba, R0B 1T0 or to
The Pas Health Complex Foundation, Inc., Memorial Fund,
Palliative Care Division, Box 541, The Pas, Manitoba, R9A
1K6, would be appreciated by Pat's family.*

