



*To Those I Love And Those Who Love Me*

*When I am gone, release me, let me go —  
I have so many things to see and do.  
You mustn't tie yourself to me with tears,  
Be thankful for our many beautiful years.*

*I gave to you my love, you can only guess  
How much you gave to me in happiness.  
I thank you for the love you each have shown,  
But now it's time I traveled on alone.*

*So grieve a while for me, if grieve you must,  
Then let your grief be comforted by trust.  
It's only for a time that we must part  
So bless the memories within your heart.*

*I won't be far away, for life goes on  
If you need me, call me and I will come.  
Though you can't see or touch me, I'll be near  
And if you listen with your heart, you'll hear  
All my love around you, soft and clear.*

*And then, when you must come this way alone  
I'll greet you with a smile and say — "Welcome Home!"*

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

*Patricia Louise Sester*

**WHO WAS BORN**

June 22, 1938  
Appleton, Minnesota

**AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME**

December 2, 2025  
Waconia, Minnesota

**MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL**

Saturday, December 27, 2025 - 11:00 a.m.  
St. John's Catholic Church  
Ortonville, Minnesota

**CELEBRANTS**

Father Shawn Polman  
Father Michael Sester, LC

**ACOLYTE**

Brother John Sester, LC

**MUSICIANS**

Diane Vangsness, Accompanist  
Judy Fennell, Vocalist

**URN BEARER**

Terry Hagen

**HONORARY BEARERS**

All of Pat's Grandchildren

**INURNMENT**

Mound Cemetery  
Ortonville, Minnesota

**APPRECIATION**

Pat's family is grateful for your attendance at this service.  
Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated.  
Following the graveside service, please join the family  
for a luncheon in the church fellowship hall.

*Mundwiler & Larson Funeral Home - Ortonville, Minnesota*

Patricia Louise (Wagner) Sester was born on June 22, 1938, in Appleton, MN, to Heike and Gertrude (Nelson) Wagner. She attended school in Appleton and graduated from Appleton High School, where she laid the groundwork for a life filled with love, art, and service.

It was at the Sioux Historic in Ortonville where she first met Jim Sester, and their shared love of dancing sparked a lifelong romance. The couple married on March 1, 1958, and together they nurtured a family of four children. Pat and Jim were partners in life, founding Sester Equipment, where Pat demonstrated her meticulous nature and skill by managing the books for many years.

Patricia's career path led her to serve as an optical assistant for Dr. Yeager Eye Care and for Dr. Conroy Eye Care. She helped patients select frames, fit their glasses, and taught them how to put in contact lenses. Later, she took on the role of church secretary at St. John's Catholic Church, where she became an integral part of the congregation.

In addition to her professional accomplishments, Patricia was deeply passionate about her hobbies. She found joy in decorating her home, tending to her garden, and watching the birds—activities that brought her immense pleasure and tranquility. A gifted artist, she loved to paint and often created beautiful works that reflected her vibrant spirit. Her talent extended to her involvement with the Larson Funeral Home, where she drew the covers for funeral memorial cards, a testament to her creativity and compassion.

She was also a dedicated volunteer, having served as an EMT for a time, and her love for music flourished as she sang with the St. John's Church choir. Her family, particularly her cherished grandchildren, were the center of her universe; Patricia poured her love into every moment spent with them.

Left to cherish Patricia's memory are her daughter, Terry (Tom) Hagen of Brandon, MN; her son, Todd (Karen) Sester of Rogers, MN; her son, Scott (Sandy) Sester of Minnetonka, MN; and daughter, Julie (Craig) Bennis of Deephaven, MN; her grandchildren: Fr. Michael, Br. John, Anthony, Rachel, Riley, Claire, Sarah, and Caroline; sisters-in-law: Virginia Michels of Alexandria, MN; Kathleen Morgan of Battle Lake, MN; and Patricia (Ken) Knudsen of Glenwood, MN; brother-in-law, Dave Forbes of Marshall, MN; along with many nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Jim in 2013; her parents: Heike Wagner, and Gertrude Brackenbury; her sister, Anita Antrim; sisters-in-law: JoAnn Kump, and Marilyn Forbes; and brothers-in-law: Tom Antrim, Joe Michels, George Morgan, and Dan Sester.

Please use this QR code to view Pat's obituary & online guestbook.



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Painting by Patricia Sester

Pat Sester  
1938 - 2025