



Anita Raye Pate

May 28, 1948 - December 4, 2023

IN MEMORY OF:

Anita Raye Pate

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – MURPHYSBORO

1421 Walnut Street, Murphysboro, Illinois

Anita Raye Pate 75, of Murphysboro, died Monday December 4, 2023 at 3:31 pm, at her home.

Anita (nee Ruble) Pate, was born on May 28, 1948 to Theodore and Berna Lee (nee McClelland) Ruble. The oldest of 4 children, Anita lived the majority of her life in Murphysboro, IL.

Anita married her husband, Matthew William Pate on June 18, 1966, in Sandridge, IL. He survives. They were married for 57 years, and Matt provided total care for her the last two years of her life. She was under the care of Hospice of Southern Illinois at the time of her death.

She had many talents, and wore many hats in her lifetime: wife, mom, memaw, hairdresser, EMT, business owner, restaurateur. She completed

beauty college and worked as a hairdresser for more than 15 years. However, she truly enjoyed art and was talented in multiple different media. She was a skilled seamstress, weaver, spinner, and jewelry maker. Her art was featured on occasion at the Southern Illinois Artisans Marketplace, and she and her family created and sold primitive art at many national wholesale marketplaces for many years.

Anita is survived by her loving husband Matt, daughter and daughter in law Holly (Dana) Gates of Benton, daughter and son in law Amanda (Ben) Willig of Murphysboro, son Timothy S. Pate of Murphysboro, and son Trevor H. Pate, also of Murphysboro, her brother and sister in law, Dale (Sherrie) Ruble of Carbondale, and brother and sister in law Tim (Kim) Ruble of Murphysboro, as well as many nieces, nephews and grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her grandparents, parents, and sister Charlotte Tellor.

As per her wishes, there will be no services. Her wish was to be cremated, and Crain Funeral Home has been entrusted with these arrangements. A celebration of life will be held at a later time.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Anita's memory to Hospice of Southern Illinois. The family wishes to thank them for the excellent, professional and loving care they provided to their wife, mother, and grandmother.

Tribute Wall

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“ To Anita’s family, I am so very sorry for your loss. I remember Anita from high school. She was a very sweet and cheerful person. Class of 66 mourns her loss.



Rita Calandro DeSett - December 07, 2023 at 12:21 AM

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“ Matt, I’m so sorry for your loss. I will keep you and your family close in prayer. Cindy Svanda

Cindy Svanda - December 06, 2023 at 04:10 PM

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“ Anita & I played together as kids out on the DeSoto Blacktop in the '50s. Her grandma lived next to us for awhile and her cousins lived a few houses up the road-good times. I could never catch her when we played tag.
-Steve Reiman

Steve Reiman - December 06, 2023 at 10:00 AM

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“ My boss many years ago when she had her restaurant behind the courthouse in Murphysboro Illinois.R.I.P ANITA UNTIL WE MEET AGAYON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS LIFE!!

Timmy Tolbert - December 05, 2023 at 06:08 PM