



Patricia Ann (Fritz) Keil

March 17, 1941 - February 13, 2024

IN MEMORY OF:

Patricia Ann (Fritz) Keil

Serving Location:

CRAIN FUNERAL HOME – DONGOLA

106 NW Front Street, Dongola, Illinois

Patricia Ann (Fritz) Keil, 82, of Dongola, passed away Tuesday, February 13, 2024 at Integrity of Anna.

She was born March 17, 1941 to Daniel S. and Wilma Louise (Ellis) Fritz in Dixon, Illinois, and later moved to Elmhurst, Illinois. On October 31, 1960, she married Jack Baggott Keil, and eventually moved to Dongola, Illinois. They spent over 50 years together until his death in 2010.

Patricia was a member of the First Lutheran Church of Dongola. She was also a 50-year member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, last being the Xi Mu Lambda chapter.

Pat was a homemaker for many years but she lived a life that was creative, eccentric and full of family adventures. Many will remember her for the years

she and her husband owned and operated Dongola Cycle Sales.

Over the years, Pat was always available to help family with day-to-day tasks but her biggest joy was to ride shotgun on life's big adventures with her husband, daughters and their families. Whether it was a role as airplane navigator, camping, snorkeling, traveling to Mardi Gras celebrations or the US Virgin Islands, the many truck trips to points in-between, grandchild support team or chauffer, enjoying all kinds of music and singing, she was all in, every time. Pat loved to paint and color, could bake a good loaf of bread or homemade rolls, crochet almost anything, and made every flavor of an endless supply of homemade wine.

Patricia is survived by her daughters, Pamela Keil, Rebecca (Mark) Dillman, Jennifer (Robert) Gordley, Belinda (Bradley) Jerolds, 9 grandchildren, Keiler Dillman, Tyler (Jenna) Simmons, Bryan Dillman, Jack (Diana) Gordley, Jori Henley, Colton Jerolds, Mariah (Jake) Parr, Kathryn Gordley, Conner Jerolds, great-grandson, Jack Simmons, sisters, Shirley Molenda, Myrtle (Pete) Cvangros, and sister-in-law, Donna (Allen) Searles, Other family including nieces Pammi, Dawn, Betsy, Amy, Carmen, Tessie, Krissie, Leslie, Missie and nephew Daniel, special daughters, Jackie Hammond, Alesia Stein, Carol West, and Julie Revolenski.

Along with her husband, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Alan Fritz and David Fritz.

Visitation will be held Friday, February 23, 2024 from 5:00 PM until 7:00 PM with the funeral service following at 7:00 PM with Pastor Chere Riedel officiating at Crain Funeral Home in Dongola.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests with gratitude that memorial contributions may be made to the First Lutheran Church of Dongola.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Crain Funeral Home.

Cemetery Details

Anna Cemetery

E Davie St
Anna, IL 62906
(618) 833-4083

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB **23**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (cst)

Crain Funeral Home - Dongola
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Funeral Service

FEB **23**. 7:00 PM - 7:30 PM (cst)

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Tribute Wall

PH

“ I just found out today (Sunday) Feb. 25,2024.. that my younger friend had died. I was over whelmed as I am getting up there but I can still remember how I remember my middle years with Pat and the third Pat (Jones) as the three Pat's from Dongola Lutheran Church. Oh we has fun and as long as Pat Keil was with us we knew we would laugh. When I came back from a few years in California I went out to see my good friend and she had tied yellow ribbons all over her yard's trees and had the music blaring out "Tie a yellow ribbon around the ole oak tree" and I was so touched I loved her even more. Pat Jones died while living where I used to (Anna Vista) and now the second Pat is gone. I know now I am the last Pat from Dongola Lutheran and it makes me sad. To her four daughters I extend my greatest sympathy and tell you all "I remember our time well" Love and blessings to you all. From PAT HINKLE

Patsy L Hinkle - February 25, 2024 at 06:40 PM

LM

“ Larry Moore lit a candle in memory of Patricia Keil



Larry Moore - February 22, 2024 at 11:29 PM

DF

“ I have many happy memories spent at the Keil home. One of my favorites is multiple Thanksgivings with Aunt Pat, Uncle Jack, and all the girls - Pam, Becky, Jenny, and Bindi sitting by their fireplace after dinner.

All my love, Dan

Daniel Fritz - February 20, 2024 at 04:26 PM

DC

“ Daniel and Carol purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Patricia Ann (Fritz) Keil.



Daniel and Carol - February 20, 2024 at 03:31 PM

AF

“ Alan and Deidre Tarpley and Family purchased the Crystal Cross Bouquet for the family of Patricia Ann (Fritz) Keil.



Alan and Deidre Tarpley and Family - February 20, 2024 at 08:44 AM

AF

“ Alan and Deidre Tarpley and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia Ann (Fritz) Keil.

Alan and Deidre Tarpley and Family - February 20, 2024 at 08:44 AM

JA

“ We had some fun times as sorority sisters in Beta Sigma Phi and learned lots from members...Marybelle, Ola, Georgia, Letha, and others! Sincere sympathy to all the family...love, Janie Peterson

janie - February 15, 2024 at 09:31 PM