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Patricia (“Duck”) Dahlstrom Reider, age 68, passed away unexpectedly on her birthday, September 26, 2016. Patty was everyone’s best friend and leaves behind her husband Rick; son, Benjamin (Alyssa Braafhart) Reider; her mother and step-father, Grace and John Church of Muskegon; step-sister, Sue Kellogg; and best friend, Linda Cline. Patty was preceded in death by her son, Thomas E. Boyd; father, Edmond; and brother, Randy Dahlstrom.

Patty was born in Muskegon on September 26, 1948 to Edmond and Grace (Roseboom) Dahlstrom. Patty attended Muskegon High School before going on to receive her BA and MA in Education at Western Michigan University. She returned to Muskegon and taught for 32 years with the Mona Shores School System at Hile and Ross Park Elementary. Patty loved to teach and had extreme compassion for her students and always made each one feel special in their own unique way.

Patty met her husband Rick while seeking legal advice in 1978 and later married on September 18, 1981. Patty and Rick found their special getaway in the Outer Banks, North Carolina, in the small town of Duck (where we are sure she is dancing or collecting seashells, or playing Scrabble with her son Tom). After several years of trying, Patty and Rick’s wish finally came true when they had their son Benjamin Patrick Reider on January 31, 1990. Patty, Rick, Tom, and Ben loved to travel together, especially to Duck, North Carolina. Patty was extremely devoted in supporting her children. She loved watching her son Tom pole vault at Reeths Puffer High School, where he still holds the record since 1995. She also loved supporting her son Ben while he attended DePauw University and Marquette University Law School.

After retiring in 2004, Patty could not resist her love for teaching and continued working in the Success Center at Muskegon Community College and volunteered at Mercy Hospital. She enjoyed her family, friends, all animals, boating, traveling, and walking. The happiness she brought to everyone she touched will be deeply missed.



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A MEMORIAL SERVICE will be held 11:00 AM, October 1, 2016 at The Lee Chapel, 6291 S. Harvey Street, Norton Shores, MI 49444, 231-798-1100 with the Pastor John H. Brown officiating. You are also invited to sign the family's Online Guest Book at www.sytsemafh.com. Those desiring to make an expression of sympathy are asked to consider Pound Buddies Animal Shelter & Adoption Center, 1300 E. Keating Ave., Muskegon, MI 49442.



Events


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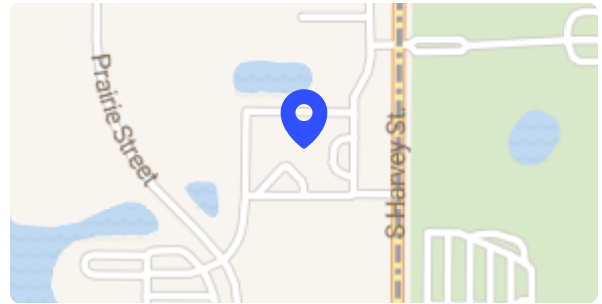
Memorial Service

 **Saturday**, October 1, 2016

 11:00 AM ET

 **Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services - The Lee Chapel**

6291 Harvey St., Norton Shores MI 49444





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JP

Jerry Paquin posted:

My niece , Marsha Karr, brought me this sad news. I have known Pat all her life Although our paths didn't pass often enough she was always a classy gal when the paths did meet. May the peace of Christ overwhelm the family and friends.Jerry Paquin and family

October 1 at 1:24 AM

MA

Mark Aamodt posted:

Rick, Ben & family...so sorry for your loss...we feel so lucky to have known Patty...her glowing personality was contagious...always loved running into you guys...whether it was at a function/out and about in NM or waving as you passed through Bear Lake channel on your boat...you will be missed by so many...heaven sure got a good one...RIP sweet lady...thoughts and prayers!Mark & Diane

September 30 at 12:10 PM

NH

Nick Hutchinson posted:

I will always be thankful to her for inspiring me to be a better writer and helping me edit my first novel entitled "Factory of Lies". I considered her not only a teacher, but also a friend who was a beautiful person and I will miss her notes of encouragement as I persist in the pursuit of becoming a published author. Thank you and God bless!Nick Hutchinson

September 30 at 9:17 AM



Anonymous sent a Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum to the Reider family.



September 30 at 8:56 AM

TP

Terri Poulin posted:

Patti taught 2 of my 3 daughters. I enjoyed helping out in her classroom. Everybody loved Mrs. Reider, she had a sparkling personality.Terri Poulin

September 30 at 5:52 AM



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Anonymous sent a Beautiful in Blue to the Reider family.



September 29 at 4:04 PM



Shelley Woodson posted:

Dear Rick and Ben, We were very lucky to meet you 3 before Law school. Patty's beautiful smile and wonderful spirit will remain in our hearts. With love and prayers. John, Shelley, Tucker and Jenna

September 29 at 3:13 PM



Shelley Woodson shared an album called **New Album Name**.



September 29 at 2:57 PM



Lisa Bush Bowers posted:

We were all so devastated to hear of this loss. =(Ben, you know how we adored your mother and the impact she left on my family. Eli was absolutely heart broken. The lasting imprint she left on so many students/parents/family/friends will live for a very VERY long time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. Lisa Bowers (And Eli, Isaac, Mia and Dave)

September 29 at 9:04 AM



Terri Essex posted:

Rick - I didn't know Patty, but I know you, so she had to be a very special person. I am so sorry for your loss. Terri Essex

September 29 at 8:33 AM



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HH

Harold And Shelley Hall posted:

Rick and Family, We are so very sorry for your loss. Patty was such a lovely lady and always had a smile and kind word for everyone! Our son, Hayden, loved having her as his teacher and she would always ask how he was doing. Our service department at Hall's said that she was one of their favorite customers; again, always so kind and appreciative! No words can express how deeply sorry we are for your loss, Rick. We are out-of-town this Saturday and will not be able to attend her memorial; but, please know that our thoughts and prayers are with you at this sad time. Sincerely, Harold and Shelley Hall

September 29 at 7:43 AM

RF

Ruth Forrest posted:

Rick, So very sorry to hear. You have my deepest sympathies. Ruth Forrest

September 29 at 6:51 AM

DL

Derita Leatherman posted:

My heart goes out to the family. Patty was such a wonderful person. She volunteered at the Mercy Campus for Mercy Health and I would talk to her frequently when I did the scheduling. She was so kind and concerned about how I was doing, especially after my husband was killed. She will be missed by all of us and she will always hold a special place in my heart. Derita Leatherman

September 29 at 6:35 AM

GM

Georgia Moss lit a candle in honor of Patricia .

To the Reider Family, My sympathy to you in the loss of such a great and inspiring woman, Patty. We worked together in the MCC College Success Center. Her kindness will always be remembered. 2 Corinthians 5:8, "we are absent from the body and present with the Lord." Georgia Ann Moss



September 29 at 5:24 AM



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LB

Lynda Lear Balkema posted:

Like all of Patty's "NM family" I am heartbroken. Rick and Ben, I know there really are no words, I just hope you feel the love and support of our little community. She was loved by so many. Ben, may your mother's light shine on in you, she was so proud of you. There was never a time that I talked with her that she didn't have glowing reports about you! I ran into her a few weeks ago with her mom at Queen's Nails. I am so glad we had a chance to chat. I know how much she loved her family and her pets. I remember her walking the beautiful big white dogs (I and II), they were bigger than her, and she was so sad to let them go. Of course her hardest time was losing Tom, but for Ben, Rick and her mom, though forever changed, she kept going. Now it is your lives that will be forever changed, but you know she wants you to keep going, be strong, be happy again, cherish the memories and hold each other close. Prayers of peace, love and comfort.

September 29 at 5:24 AM

KE

Ken posted:

To the Reider Family, So sorry to hear of your great loss. You have our sincere sympathies. Ken and Pam Pugh

September 29 at 4:57 AM

SR

Sharon Rindfusz posted:

There truly are no words to express the deep sadness when I heard of Pat's passing. I hadn't seen her in years and I just so happened to run into her a few weeks ago, what a blessing that is. She is by far one of the most beautiful women that I have ever had the pleasure of knowing. She was and will always be an irreplaceable kind and beautiful soul. I am so very sorry for your loss. I pray that God holds you in the palm of his hands and that he provides you with peace and strength during this most difficult time.

September 28 at 7:37 PM

OH

Odessa Houston posted:

I got to know know Patti through Ms. Helen. We talk and laughed like we had been knowing each other for years. I will never forget that smile one of the most nicest person you could every want to meet. She will be missed. Praying for the family.

September 28 at 3:43 PM



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DS

Debra Habetler Sechen posted:

How blessed are we for Patti having touched our lives. Our spirits were always brighter when in her presence...there was a contagious glow about her. We will never forget her support and advocacy for both Charlie and Grant. The memories at Hile and Ross Park are too numerous to mention. God bless you Rick and family for sharing her with us..you are all in our prayers.With much gratitude and sincere condolences,Debra Habetler Sechen and sons

September 28 at 3:07 PM

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September 28 at 3:04 PM

MB

Mary Ann Belrose posted:

Patti and I taught together at Hile School. We had our children one day apart, that is the year there were 5 of us pregnant at the same time. We had many fun times at school and after school. She was a joy to be with, and will be missed.My Sincere Sympathy,Mary Ann Lueth Belrose

September 28 at 2:28 PM

SH

Steve Habetler posted:

I always enjoyed our trips to teaching in-service with Patti. She lit up the room initially with her beauty and illuminated even more with her passion for teaching. Laughs abounded when this Lady walked in the room. My prayers go out to her family and friends.Oh, and Patti, thank you for your devotion to my nephews after their horrific accident. Our family will be eternally grateful to you.Habs

September 28 at 1:00 PM



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Bonnie (Berg) Muttart posted:

Sue, I am so sorry to read about your sister. Please accept my condolences and prayers as you go through this difficult time.

September 28 at 12:30 PM



Shelley Woodson shared 3 photos to the **New Album Name** album. September 29 at 2:57 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Patricia by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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