



Ms. Patricia Ann Harper

March 22, 1950 - February 12, 2019

Her Journey:

The dash--

Patricia Ann Johnson Harper was born in Detroit, Michigan on March 22, 1950 to the blessed union of Thomas "James" Johnson and Inella Johnson. She was the middle of three children. Her parents and brother, Thomas, Jr. preceded her in death. The Johnson family lived on Bassett Street in the tight-knit Southwest Detroit community.

Pat graduated Southwestern High School in June 1967 and went on to earn her Bachelor of Science degree in Education from Wayne State University in June 1972. In the fall of 1972, Pat joined the teaching staff of Ecorse Public Schools where she taught with excellence for 38 years. She loved teaching and never really hung up her 'teaching shoes'. If you knew Pat and it did not matter how old you were, you felt her special gift of teaching.

Pat had an effervescent personality. Her heart was made of gold. She had a smile that was her force.

One of the things Pat will surely be remembered for was her close relationship with her Mother. They were that proverbial "2 piece." They shared many outings together, trips up North to the casinos, holiday dinners and just time together well spent. She eventually brought her mother home to live with her and Pat was a very devoted caregiver.

The annual Christmas Eve gala, completely catered, with a live band will always be recollected. This was her signature event. Pat hosted this event for family and longtime friends for many, many years. Her performance of Frosty the Snowman had its own unique twist. Greg seated behind the bar. She gave everyone a gift. In anticipation of Christmas Eve, 2019, she already had a bag of pennies with a handwritten note to Anna with instructions to "give everyone a penny." Certain colored dots on the penny yielded specific denominations of cash. Everyone had a fun time, year after year. Giving brought

Pat so much joy!

There is much to be said about Patricia Ann Harper, and a life well lived. In the fashion of her father, "she did it her way."

With an Omniscient God in charge, she ended the dash on February 12, 2019 in Beaumont-Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills, Michigan.

Cemetery

Westlawn Cemetery

31472 Michigan Ave
Wayne, MI, 48184

Events

FEB **Visitation** 12:00PM - 08:00PM

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O. H. Pye, III Funeral Home
17600 Plymouth Road, Detroit, MI, US, 48227

FEB **Family Hour** 09:30AM - 10:00AM

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FEB **Funeral Service** 10:00AM

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Comments



“ Remembering Pat as a special friend to my extended family and thankful for the support when I was a new teacher. Her radiance and smile was always welcoming. She was such a beautiful spirit that surely will be missed. Heaven has another angel..

Sharon Marshall - February 22 at 08:00 PM



“ We will surely miss her



Sharon Ramalia - February 18 at 08:50 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Ms. Patricia Ann Harper.



February 18 at 05:33 PM



“ To the Crutcher Family,

I am praying the Lord enfold you in His faithful love and comfort you with the cherished memories you hold dear.

Brenda G. Simpson



Brenda G. Simpson - February 18 at 03:36 PM



“ Lori Hunt lit a candle in memory of Ms. Patricia Ann Harper



Lori Hunt - February 18 at 01:20 PM



“ Bessie lit a candle in memory of Ms. Patricia Ann Harper



Bessie - February 18 at 08:52 AM



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February 17 at 01:43 PM



“ Pat there's so many memories from my childhood but I'll always remember when you used to take us Christmas shopping at Value City and we used to always have to meet back at a certain time. We did that for years

Lori Hunt - February 17 at 07:42 AM



“ CHARLENE LOWE lit a candle in memory of Ms. Patricia Ann Harper



CHARLENE LOWE - February 16 at 08:27 PM