



Patricia J. Munsell

July 30, 1950 - April 12, 2017

Albany-Patricia Munsell, beloved wife and mother, passed away surrounded by family, on Wednesday, April 12th, 2017.

A lifelong resident of Albany, she graduated from the Vincentian Institute and the University at Albany.

Patricia dedicated her life to early childhood education and the study of nature. Her career included the Trinity Alliance, Director of Childcare at the Albany YWCA. Director of Early Childhood Education at the Rensselaer County Junior Museum, Museum Educator at the Albany Visitors Center, and Board Member and teacher at the Heldeberg Workshop. She treasured time spent outdoors, observing the natural beauty and wildlife of the mountains and Hudson Valley. In retirement, she wrote stories of small animals and their part in nature. Her passion for the arts, live music, and social justice have been an inspiration to friends and family, and her irreplaceable spirit will be greatly missed.

Patricia is survived by her husband, John Koethen, daughters Amelia Koethen and Allison Munsell Napierski, step-daughter Nora Koethen, granddaughter

Rae Napierski, step-granddaughter Josi Giuliano, brothers Steven and Jerry Munsell, parents Eugene and Ruth Munsell, and son-in-law Robert Napierski.

Relatives and friends are invited to visit with Patricia's family Friday, April 21, 2017 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm in McVeigh Funeral Home, 208 North Allen Street, Albany with a Memorial Service to be held at 5:00 pm.

To leave a special message for the family, light a candle, obtain directions or view other helpful services please visit www.McveighFuneralHome.com

In the spirit of her love of nature, in lieu of flowers please send donations to the Nature Conservancy:

<https://www.nature.org/membership-giving/more-ways-to-give/tribute-honor-giving/index.htm?intc=nature.tnav.give>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 21. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

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Service

APR 21. 5:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia J. Munsell*

October 08, 2023 at 09:24 PM



“ *I only met Aunt Pat for one day, but I found her to be a very caring person.*

Dawn - April 20, 2017 at 11:18 AM



“ *I'm sending out deep love and gratitude for my Aunt Pat, one of the warmest, best hugging, steadiest, cleverest, easiest-to-laughing, most fun-loving, creative, and supportive humans I've had the honor to know, who raised two remarkably delightful daughters, served and protected the Arts with a capital "A", and was a loving companion and partner of my Uncle John for more decades than I've lived. She had such an ageless spirit and was such a reliably sunny part of our family tree that I didn't realize that she wasn't an immortal muse to all of us, and I waited past prudence to make a long-intended visit to Albany. In memory of mine, don't wait to visit and share your appreciation with the Aunt Pat in your life. Love and hugs to Uncle John, Amelia, Allison, Rae, Nora, and Josie. - Love from Juliana and the Neelbauers*

Juliana N. - April 20, 2017 at 09:49 AM



Sending our condolences to the loving family of Pat. Ed and I are very sorry to not participate in the service but our thoughts are with all of you pat was a dear friend from our early days in Albany. Rest In Peace Pat

Cathy Frank and Ed Atkeson - April 21, 2017 at 04:20 PM