



Mrs. Patricia (Byrne) Dubeck

August 4, 1922 - April 13, 2015

Mrs. Patricia Dubeck, nee Byrne, age 92, died on Monday, April 13, 2015, in Utica, after a long illness. She was a resident of Essex County, N.J. for 89 years before moving to the loving home of her son and daughter-in-law, Drs. Frank Dubeck and Marybeth McCall, in Utica.

Pat was born to Maurice and Lucile Byrne in Newark, N.J. on August 4, 1922 and grew up in Essex Fells. She graduated from Grover Cleveland High School in Caldwell where she was Captain of the Cheerleaders, and a member of the Northern New Jersey All Star Field Hockey Team. She also graduated from the Berkeley School in East Orange.

Pat was a creative wife and mother who loved a party—and her parties were exceptional: the “talking pumpkin” at Halloween, the Thanksgiving dinners for which she started cooking in September, and the “Playday” she organized for 1000 Girl Scouts in the South Mountain Reservation, South Orange to name a few.

Pat was a parishioner in New Jersey of both St. Aloysius and of Our Lady of Lourdes Churches and in New York of Our Lady of the Rosary Church, New Hartford. She participated in both the St. Benedict’s and Seton Hall preparatory schools’ theater programs as a volunteer costume designer, the Girl Scouts, as troop leader for 9 years, the Boy Scouts, as den mother for 9 years, the West Caldwell Board of Elections and the Spa Lady therapeutic water aerobic class which she last attended when she was 89 years old.

She worked at Western Electric in Kearney, N.J. as an executive secretary

during World War II and for Dr. Dante Alexander, Optometrist, Caldwell as office manager and Fieldmaster technician during the 1980s and 1990s. Pat was a caregiver; she cared for her aging parents for 11 years, her widowed mother for 12 years and her husband with Parkinson's Disease for 17 years.

Pat was the beloved wife of 53 years to the late Frank Dubeck whom she met on a blind date. She is deeply missed by her children Jo-Ann Farley and husband Don, John and wife Susan Hotine, Frank and wife Marybeth McCall and Michael; her grandchildren, Claire Flynn, Sarah Farley, Beth Schiller, and Tom, Matthew, Leslie, Owen, and Julian Dubeck; and great grandchildren, Emmet, and Lillian Dubeck, Adelaide, and Winston Tilove, Abigail, and David Schiller, and John Flynn; and her sister Maureen Kobayashi and husband Yutaka.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Pat's memory to the American Kidney Fund, 11921 Rockville Pike, Suite 300, Rockville, Md. 20852; the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, 1359 Broadway, Suite 1509, New York, New York 10018 or Hospice & Palliative Care, Inc., 4277 Middle Settlement Rd., New Hartford, NY 13413. Visitation will be held on Friday, May 8th from 4-8 pm at the Paul Ippolito-Dancy Memorial Funeral Home, 9 Small Avenue, Caldwell, NJ. A funeral service will be held on Saturday, May 9th at St. Aloysius Church, 219 Bloomfield Avenue, Caldwell, NJ, with burial following at the Gate of Heaven Cemetery in East Hanover. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Saturday morning, April 25th at 10:00 at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, 1736 Burrstone Road, New Hartford, NY. Local arrangements have been entrusted to the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc. 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave.

Previous Events

Funeral Service

APR **25**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Church
1736 Burrstone Road
New Hartford, NY 13413

Tribute Wall

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“ Yesterday, I got word that a woman who was always very important in my life, passed away, my Aunt Pat.

Aunt Pat is the reason my sisters and I are here today. You see, my mother and aunt were co-workers at Western Electric over 70 years ago. They were great friends, Pat was the extrovert, Mom the introvert. They loved going to the Jersey Shore together (I've seen the pictures). Mom always said "Pat, loved the guys in uniform." I think my Mom did too. One day, Pat told my Mom she had a brother that she wanted her to meet. They met, fell in love, married and had 3 daughters.

Aunt Pat met my Uncle Frank, a guy in uniform and married. They raised four amazing children, all very successful in their chosen career paths.

I forgot to mention Aunt Pat was a cheerleader at her high school in NJ, as well as, a cheerleader through life...to her family and friends. She was definitely my cheerleader, getting me through difficult times growing up, and when I went through a painful divorce. When I met Richard, I was not allowed to marry him unless he had the official Aunt Pat Seal of Approval. Of course he passed inspection.

We joked about me being her clone, because whatever physical hereditary issues she had, I have. We had a lot of things in common and shared an interest in genealogy. I called her a few weeks ago, to tell her I found the names of her great grandparents in the Byrne side. Irish roots are hard to find.

My last conversation with my Aunt Pat was two weeks ago, she called to see how my daughter was doing with her breast cancer journey, and to let me know that she prays for Jill everyday. Always thinking of others. She mentioned that she had spoken to a second cousin of mine, Chris Byrne, that day. Now that I think about it I think her phone calls to Chris and me, were her farewell to us.

Aunt Pat, I will miss your laughter, your positive acclamations ...just YOU.

I always ended our conversations with "I love you" and Aunt Pat always said, "love you back, kiddo." So with tears streaming down my cheeks, I will say "Farewell, Aunt Pat, I love you.

Susan Byrne DeKleine - April 15, 2015 at 10:59 AM

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“ Dear Dr. Dubeck and Dr. McCall,

My condolences for your loss. Losing a parent is never easy but thinking of the good memories will help ease the pain.

Mark and Carol Hodge

Mark Hodge - April 14, 2015 at 05:04 PM

JH

“ Jim Hill lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Byrne) Dubeck



Jim Hill - April 14, 2015 at 09:12 AM

JH

Marybeth and Frank: My sympathy and prayers are with you and your Family.

Jim Hill - April 14, 2015 at 09:14 AM