

## PATRICIA JOAN SQUIRES

Age 92, from Munhall, passed away peacefully while surrounded by her loving family on Saturday, August 3, 2024, following a decline this summer in physical strength and mobility.

Born to Daniel John Weisen and Anna Marie (Armstrong) Weisen in Homestead, Pennsylvania, on September 15, 1931, Pat completed education at Homestead High School and pursued a career as a legal secretary. Her first position was at the law firm of Reed Smith Shaw McClay (now Reed Smith) in Downtown Pittsburgh.

Pat's life took a joyful turn on August 1, 1953, when she married Joseph Anthony Squires at St. Mary Magdalene's church in Homestead. Together they had the blessing of five children, including Joanne Squires (James) White, Lawrence Joseph (Kathy) Squires, James John (Betsy) Squires, Linda Marie (John) Walters, and Maureen Rose (John) Hissom. She was extremely proud of her 11 grandchildren including Zach, Adam, and Sam White; Christopher, Matthew, Brendan, and Rachel (Wilson) Squires; Tommy and Valerie Squires; Jessica Yonek Gilman and Rebecca Marie Bagiatis, along with their spouses and partners. Angel the pet therapy kitty spent many hours with her grandma over the past few months. Pat also adored her 15 great-grandchildren with one more due in November. She spent days and hours supporting, caregiving and assisting for her grandchildren. Angel, the pet therapy kitty, spent many hours with her grandma over the past few months. The family remains close knit due to her legacy of Catholic faith, caregiving, kindness, and servant-leadership. She had a long, patient fuse but as Joe said, "don't get her Irish up".

Retired in 1993 after 25 years at South Hills Health System, Pat participated in the Home Care Alumni group, she spent many years of leadership, travel, Saturday night dances, and administration alongside Joe at the Homestead Elks, and devout service at her church community, including Eucharistic Minister (Larry & Linda - please add other groups - ladies guild? etc.), at St. Therese in Munhall. In her spare time, she loved crossword puzzles, old movies, sitcoms, and musicals, reading, politics, reminiscing, and was a fabulous cook and baker. She also dabbled in candy-making and possessed an incredible gift of hospitality, decorating, and was a very talented seamstress. She had a great vocabulary and a penchant for idioms ("she acts like Mrs. Astor's pet horse", "slower than molasses in January", and "no biggie - the next bus is coming" to name a few).

Preceded in death by her husband and parents, Patricia's legacy continues through every individual who ever met or knew her. She stayed at an independent apartment at Little Sisters of the Poor in Brighton Heights from September 2022, until March of 2024 when Pat transitioned to Linda and John's home on "Sunset

Drive" in Munhall where she enjoyed many "happy hours" and received indescribable TLC. Pat also enjoyed wonderful caregivers over the past 10 years including Diane Lesko, Melva Perich, Emerita Gonzales, and Cathy Budkey. The staff of Bridges Hospice was remarkable during the month of July - the family appreciates and thanks you profusely.

Patricia will be in our hearts forever until we meet again.

The funeral viewing will be held on Thursday, August 8, 2024, from 2-4:00 p.m. and 6-8:00 p.m. at **R.V. ANDERSON FUNERAL HOME**, 315 East Tenth Avenue, Homestead, PA 15120. A funeral mass of Christian burial will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Friday, August 9, 2024, at St. Therese Church in Munhall followed by interment at St. Mary Magdalene Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Carnegie of Homestead in memory of Patricia Squires. <https://www.carnegieofhomestead.com/donate/>

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