



Patricia "Pat" M. Happke

July 14, 1937 - August 8, 2011

Patricia "Pat" Marie Happke, 74 year old resident of Elk River, MN, formerly of Pierz, passed away unexpectedly on Monday (Aug. 8) at her home. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:30 A.M. on Friday, August 12, 2011 at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Pierz with Father Gerald Dalseth officiating. Burial will be at St. Joseph's Parish Cemetery in Pierz. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 PM on Thursday at the Shelley-Virnig Funeral Chapel in Pierz and from 9 - 10 AM on Friday at the funeral chapel. Christian Mothers Rosary will be prayed at 4:30 PM followed by Parish Prayers at 6:30 PM Thursday at the funeral chapel.

Patricia "Pat" Marie Happke was born on July 14, 1937 in Bowlus, Minnesota to the late Frank & Ann (Czech) Kroll. She was united in marriage to James Happke on June 8, 1959 in Pierz, MN. She loved farming alongside her husband, Jim and raising their five children. Pat was well known for her 'secret recipes', like potato salad, cinnamon rolls, and coffee cakes which were handed down by Jim's mother, Wilhelmina. The tradition of these recipes will be carried on by her children and grandchildren. Jim passed away on February 12, 1997. In 2006, Pat moved to Elk River, MN to be closer to her children and grandchildren. Pat never really slowed down, she decided to get a job at Coborn's deli in Elk River. There she quickly picked up a loyal following. The customers and staff immediately adopted her as their own mom. Pat always gave of herself and never asked for anything in return. She prided herself in being a good wife, mother and grandmother, these qualities

were admired by her family and will be greatly missed. Pat is survived by her five children, Timothy (Diane) Happke of Pierz, MN, Thomas (Pamela) Happke of Coon Rapids, MN, Christine (Timothy) Andrea of Champlin, MN, Charles Happke of Brooklyn Park, MN, and Stephen Happke of Reston, VA. 8 grandchildren, Jennifer Petrie, Michael Andrea, Caitlynn, McKenna, Scott, Brian, Cody, and Tyler Happke; sister, Priscilla (Joe) Maronick of Helena, MT; brothers, Robert (Kay) Kroll of St. Augusta, MN, Al Kroll of Malta, MT, and Vern (Winona) Kroll of Boulder, MT. Pat was preceded in death by her husband, Jim Happke; brother, Callistus Kroll (1932); parents, Frank & Ann (Czech) Kroll. Honorary Pallbearers will be Jennifer Petrie, Caitlyn and McKenna Happke. Active Pallbearers will be Steve Petrie, Mike Andrea, Scott, Brian, Cody and Tyler Happke.

Previous Events

Service

AUG 12. 10:30 AM (CT)

St. Joseph's Catholic Church
68 North Main Street
Pierz, MN

Tribute Wall



“ Lemieur Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Patricia "Pat" M. Happke



Lemieur Funeral Homes - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Patricia "Pat" M. Happke

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ Chris and family,
My deepest sympathy on your loss.
My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Take care
Dar##imported-begin##Darlene Gladhill##imported-end##

August 11, 2011 at 03:08 PM



“ Chuck, My prayers and thoughts are with you and your family at this time. Having just gone through this same thing 4 months ago all I can say is hang on to all the good things you did with your Mom! Having met her only a couple times she sure was a sweet heart.##imported-begin##Dave Olson##imported-end##

August 11, 2011 at 02:32 PM



“ Tom,
What a lovely family. Your mom was blessed with all of you. I know you will miss her. I pray peace for you all and comfort that only comes from above.

God Bless!

Sharon##imported-begin##Sharon Neukircher##imported-end##

August 11, 2011 at 10:48 AM



“ Pat was the heart and soul of Coburns deli. I am a daily customer of the deli and I always hoped to be waited on by her. I like to think that she even created some dishes mainly for me. She supported me in my campaign for mayor even to the point of being bothered by her landlord because she put one of my signs in the area next to her unit.

I am very sorry for your loss. Coburns will not be the same without Pat's friendly smile and caring attitude.

John Dietz

Mayor of Elk River##imported-begin##John Dietz##imported-end##

August 11, 2011 at 09:50 AM



“ Steve, please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss... our thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Kimberly Crump Smith and family##imported-end##

August 11, 2011 at 08:54 AM



“ To Steve Happke and Family - From everyone here at the Coast Guard we send you our deepest condolences. You are in our thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Skyler Heavans##imported-end##

August 11, 2011 at 08:52 AM



“ Tim, Tom, Chris, Chuck & Steven,
My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this sad time. Your Mother, my God Mother, will be remembered as a loving and kind woman. She was always interested in talking to me and giving her best advise. It's small and silly, but I remember a large brown stuffed dog that your Mom & Dad gave me when I was very small. I don't have it any more, but still treasure it as one of the best gifts of my life.
My heart is with you all.
Love, Shellie##imported-begin##Shellie Norton Seering##imported-end##

August 10, 2011 at 10:40 PM



“ Steve,

I am so sorry for the loss of your mother. My prayers are with you and your family. May God comfort and help you during this difficult time.

Sincerely,

Dan##imported-begin##Dan Howe##imported-end##

August 10, 2011 at 02:37 PM



“ TO STEVE HAPPKE AND FAMILY:

My very deepest sympathy, love and empathy for you and your family!!

I'm here for you and your family in anyway possible as you were for me and my family at the passing of my mother.

God needed another of His Angels at His side.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL!!!##imported-begin##Juanita Thomas and Family##imported-end##

August 10, 2011 at 02:33 PM