



## Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels

October 12, 1948 - April 3, 2015

Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels, 66, of Peoria passed at her daughter's home surrounded by her loving family on Friday, April 3, 2015 at 9:15 pm. Patricia was born to Versell Richardson and Niles Garrett on October 12, 1948 in Cairo, IL. She married the love of her life, Orville C. Nevels, Sr., on August 14, 1970.

Patricia, affectionately known as Pat, leaves to cherish her most precious memories her loving and devoted husband of 44 years, Orville Nevels, Sr., of Peoria; loving and devoted daughter, Sonya (Christopher) Pacey of Peoria; two step sons, Orville (Kesia) Nevels, Jr., of Memphis, TN and Kevin (Kimberly) Nevels of St. Louis, MO; one brother, Frederick (Cheryl) Garrett of Peoria; one sister, Gloria Gregory of Peoria and a host of grandchildren; nieces, nephews other relatives and friends. She is preceded in death by her parents; two brothers, Edgar and Ulysses McKnight and one sister, Virgie Mack.

Pat worked as a Contact Center Representative at CEFCU, retiring February of 2014 after over 19 years of service. She truly enjoyed spending time with her loving granddaughters, Kristian and Kennedy. When she was not baking and crafting with the girls, she enjoyed traveling with friends and family. Pat was a beacon of light to all she knew. She never met a stranger. She had the gift of recognizing strengths within people and helping them find beauty within themselves; that was her ministry.

Pat was a member of St. Paul Baptist Church where funeral services will be

held at 12 Noon on Friday, April 10, 2015 with a visitation beginning at 11 am. Pastor Deveraux Hubbard will officiate. Pat will be laid to rest at Swan Lake Memory Gardens. Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with arrangements. Online condolences may be made at [simonsmortuary.com](http://simonsmortuary.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 10. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Paul Peoria  
114 W. Forrest Hill Avenue  
Peoria, IL 61604

## Funeral Service

APR 10. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (CT)

St. Paul Peoria  
114 W. Forrest Hill Avenue  
Peoria, IL 61604

# Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels*



**Simons Mortuary** - April 09, 2015 at 03:33 PM

MA

*Beautiful tribute... Prayers to your family...*

**Marilyn** - April 09, 2015 at 04:33 PM

FB

*Very beautiful tribute tears began to flow your mom is a very beautiful person with a beautiful smile there was not one picture of her without a smile and you are soooo your mothers twin also Alijah says to tell you he is sorry for the loss of your mom and he will say a prayer for you God is with you and your family LOTS OF LOVE TO ALL OF YOU ❤️*

**Freda Broadway** - April 09, 2015 at 06:23 PM

DC

*That is beautiful Sonya  
Dr. Sam and Doloris Gaines*

**Doloris Cotton-Gaines** - April 09, 2015 at 07:30 PM

  
Denise  
Mables

*That was so beautiful....thanks for sharing a small portion of your moms wonderful life 💕💕💕 stay strong*

**Denise Mables** - April 09, 2015 at 08:36 PM



*Extraordinary! You and family continue to be in our prayers.*

**Eleanor Cowling** - April 10, 2015 at 12:53 AM



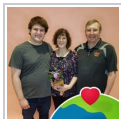
*A rich legacy...a life well lived!*

**Joyce** - April 10, 2015 at 09:51 AM



*I really will miss my friend. Praying for you both!*

**Carolyn Howard** - April 10, 2015 at 07:40 PM



*Lovely and peaceful.  
God bless each of you.*

**Tracie Carey** - April 12, 2015 at 02:51 PM



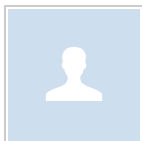
*Great job Cuz!!!! : 1: 🌷🌷. Love you much.....*

**Marc McKnight** - February 08, 2017 at 08:51 PM



“ *Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM

SN

“ Stacy Noe lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



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**Stacy Noe** - April 10, 2015 at 08:29 AM

EJ

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family during your time of mourning. I think I can speak for the entire group of Sumner High School alumni when I say Pat will be missed by all of us.

*ELLA Johnson*  
*Indianapolis, IN*

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**Ella Johnson** - April 10, 2015 at 08:15 AM

DB

“ Debbi Bitner lit a candle in memory of Mrs.  
Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



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**Debbi Bitner** - April 10, 2015 at 03:16 AM

AS

“ Sonya, thoughts and prayers with you and your family during this difficult time. I remember your mom's big smile like it was yesterday at Christ Lutheran. She was always so classy and upbeat, a lot of fun to be around for all.

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**Angela Sollberger(Bushman)** - April 09, 2015 at 10:45 PM

YB

“ Yvonne B. purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels.



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Yvonne B. - April 09, 2015 at 09:25 PM

DB

“ Denise Buckner lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



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denise buckner - April 09, 2015 at 08:19 PM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels.



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April 09, 2015 at 07:04 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels.



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April 09, 2015 at 01:06 PM

BB

“ My prayers are with you all as you all, thinking of you at this time. My most sincere sympathies!

*Beth Bussan*



Beth Bussan - April 09, 2015 at 11:30 AM

TT

“ I will always remember PAT for her kindness she was a very sweet person treated everyone so nice .I will miss her beautiful face at the voting precinct.



theresa tolliver - April 09, 2015 at 08:41 AM

AS

“ My prayers are with you and your family as you endure this difficult time. May God continue to bless and keep you in the days to come.



Angela Smith - April 08, 2015 at 08:52 PM

CF

“ Rest in Peace and in Heaven...May God Bless You and Your Family Wholeheartedly.



Consuela Evans & Family - April 08, 2015 at 05:36 PM

MH

“ *My sympathy to the family. Pat and I started the same day at CEFCU in the Contact Center. She was always upbeat and a joy to know.*

*Margaret Herrman*

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**Margaret Herrman** - April 08, 2015 at 04:53 PM

BL

“ *Brandi Lynn lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels*



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**Brandi Lynn** - April 08, 2015 at 02:10 PM

WD

“ *Born and raised in Cairo, IL, I have known Pat basely all my life. She never wavered from being the nicest person you will ever meet. I had the pleasure to meet Orville during the many trips to Cairo for our Reunions. Pat & Orville were truly soulmates. She will be missed*

*William Davis  
Sumner High  
Class of 65*

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**William Davis** - April 08, 2015 at 11:57 AM

JG

“ To a very dignified & classy lady the Lord took you away too soon. I enjoyed working with you at CEFCU also seeing you when I worked at the Paradise. Prayers to your family during this difficult time. God Bless.



Jay T Gaskins - April 08, 2015 at 10:16 AM

AS

“ Arnitria Shaw lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



Arnitria Shaw - April 07, 2015 at 03:08 PM

CA

“ Sonya, I was so sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. May her memory be a blessing to you and the whole family.



Cecile Arquette

Cecile Arquette - April 07, 2015 at 02:57 PM

MG

“ Monica Garman lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



Monica Garman - April 07, 2015 at 11:15 AM

NA

“ *Nicole Atkins lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels*



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**Nicole Atkins** - April 07, 2015 at 09:23 AM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels.*



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April 06, 2015 at 10:22 PM

TF

“ *Tyanna Ward & Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels*



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**Tyanna Ward & family** - April 06, 2015 at 09:12 PM

PB

“ I am sure most of you can remember Pat's sense of humor. My funniest memory is when Pat did an impromptu back up (Doo Wop) dance at a Cairo Gathering Karaoke Contest a few years ago; she was hilarious.

*My prayers will continue for Orville, Sonya and family.*

*Pat Baker  
Friend and Classmate*

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**Patricia Baker** - April 06, 2015 at 09:05 PM

JP

“ They come no better than Pat Nevels, God Bless you and all your family and know that I am praying for you all.



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**Jan Pacey** - April 06, 2015 at 07:41 PM

JF

“ Jennifer Flexer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



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**Jennifer Flexer** - April 06, 2015 at 06:10 PM

PD

“ Pam & Michael DeWalt lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



Pam & Michael DeWalt - April 06, 2015 at 05:06 PM

Janice Wayman Hall

“ Janice Wayman Hall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



Janice Wayman Hall - April 06, 2015 at 04:04 PM

KB

“ Kerry Bickett lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



Kerry Bickett - April 06, 2015 at 02:51 PM

CL

“ Carissa Lawton lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



Carissa Lawton - April 06, 2015 at 02:45 PM

RN

“ Rufus & Kim Nelson lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



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**Rufus & Kim Nelson** - April 06, 2015 at 11:29 AM

  
Michael  
Phason

“ Keeping all the family in our prayers, God bless each of you. My sister Mary Phason was a classmate of Patricia's and always thought that she was such a wonderful person.  
Sincerely Mary & Michael Phason.

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**Michael Phason** - April 05, 2015 at 11:17 PM

TM

“ Tonya McCall lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



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**Tonya McCall** - April 05, 2015 at 11:01 AM

KR

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Another angel received her wings.

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**karen and katie richeson** - April 04, 2015 at 04:21 PM

MH

“ I have one memory of Mrs. Patricia Nevels, and that is of the wonderful gift she gave the world, her daughter Sonya. Mrs. Nevels must have been a truly beautiful woman to have created such a legacy. Love to the family.

Mary Hill - April 04, 2015 at 03:56 PM

KN

“ Kesia Nevels lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



Kesia Nevels - April 04, 2015 at 03:38 PM

CF

“ Chrystal Ferguson-Maclin lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels



Chrystal Ferguson-Maclin - April 04, 2015 at 03:36 PM

ME

“ A mutual friend put us back in touch with each other. I am so thankful I had a chance to talk to her after many years. I will always cherish the friendship we shared. May God comfort you and your family at things time.

mary eanes - April 04, 2015 at 03:36 PM

JH

“ I got an opportunity to work with this beautiful lady over the last couple of months!! She will truly be missed! I'm keeping all of your family in prayers asking God to give you all strength during this time. My deepest condolences goes out to you all! 🙏

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**Jessica Harris** - April 04, 2015 at 03:30 PM

ME

“ *Mary Eanes lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia (Garrett) Nevels*



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**mary eanes** - April 04, 2015 at 03:28 PM