



Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal

September 23, 1939 - October 21, 2018

Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal, 79, of Peoria, IL transitioned peacefully at 11:17 AM on Sunday, October 21, 2018 at her home surrounded by her family.

Patricia was born in Pontiac, MI to Henry Melvin and Letha Mae (Ford) Harper. During her formative years, Mr. Harper moved the family to Peoria to begin a job as Director of George Washington Carver Center. Patricia was a 1957 graduate of Manual High School where she met her high school sweetheart, Wiley Lee O'Neal, Jr. She married Wiley on June 11, 1960. They were married 57 years when he passed away on January 9, 2018.

Patricia was a loving and devoted wife, mother, sister, aunt and friend! She retired from CILCO in 1997 after 34 years of dedicated service in CILCO's Accounts Payable Department. She was a lifelong member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church; formerly St. Martin DePorres, where she formerly held leadership positions in the Alter & Rosary Society.

Patricia had a green thumb as she loved gardening. She also enjoyed traveling and shopping. Patricia loved her children, grandchildren extended family, and her fur babies, Blackie, Rockie and the late Ruby Dee.

Patricia leaves to cherish her most precious memories her loving and devoted children; Steve (Chritty) Harper of Peoria, Katrina (Darrell) Grice of Tampa, FL, Karlene (Lorenzo) Claridy of Chattanooga, TN, Kristy O'Neal of Tampa, FL and Kwan (LaQuasha) Hill-O'Neal of Peoria; five brothers, Frankie (Essie) Harper of Brookfield, WI, Joseph (Kathy) Harper of Columbus, OH, Robert (Iris) Harper, Wayne Harper and Bill Harper of all of Peoria; one sister, Mary

Elizabeth Harper of Portland, OR; 12 grandchildren; 2 great grandchildren and a host of nieces, nephews, other relatives and friends. She is also preceded in death by her parents and one brother, Charles Harper.

A two-hour visitation will be held Thursday, October 25, 2018 from 5:30 PM – 7:30 PM at St. Joseph Catholic Church. A Funeral Mass will be held at 11:00 AM, Friday, October 26, 2018 also at St. Joseph Catholic Church with a visitation one-hour prior beginning at 10 AM. Father Alexander Millar is the Celebrant. Patricia will be laid to rest at Resurrection Cemetery.

Simons Mortuary has been entrusted with the arrangements. Online condolences may be made at SimonsMortuary.com.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Mausoleum & Cemetery

7519 North Allen Road
Peoria, IL 61615
<http://www.ccapeo.org/index.cfm?load=page&page=156>

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **25**. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
103 S. Richard Pryor Place
Peoria, IL 61605

Visitation

OCT **26**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
103 S. Richard Pryor Place
Peoria, IL 61605

Funeral Mass

OCT **26**. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
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Peoria, IL 61605

Tribute Wall



“ *Simons Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal*



Simons Mortuary - October 25, 2018 at 02:28 PM



“ *Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal*

January 29, 2023 at 06:10 AM



“ *Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal*

January 29, 2023 at 03:12 AM



“ *Jennifer lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal*



Jennifer - October 29, 2018 at 01:54 PM

AW

“ *Praying for comfort for the family.*

Angela & Roland Walker



Angela Walker - October 25, 2018 at 07:25 PM

LI

“ *So Sorry for your loss. We enjoyed Pat when she came to Scissors For Hair for her appointments! We will surely miss her , she was so sweet!*

Scissors For Hair Staff



Linda - October 25, 2018 at 02:16 PM

PC

“ *Dear family so sorry we are unable to be there to support you in your grief. We are hoping brighter days will be coming your way and that time and prayers of many who care will lessen your sorrow each day.*

keeping you in our prayers
Charles & Pearl Cannon

Pearl Cannon - October 24, 2018 at 08:42 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal.*



October 24, 2018 at 05:01 PM

JB

“ *Joanie Brown sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal*



Joanie Brown - October 24, 2018 at 04:43 PM

MS

“ *Michelle Sledge lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal*



Michelle Sledge - October 24, 2018 at 07:20 AM

GT

“ *GSK USP HR Team purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal.*



GSK USP HR Team - October 23, 2018 at 05:09 PM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal.*



October 23, 2018 at 04:49 PM

BD

“ Brian and Elizabeth Dersch purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal.



Brian and Elizabeth Dersch - October 23, 2018 at 01:34 PM

BD

“ Brian and Elizabeth Dersch purchased the EBN Mother - 9" Ebony Angel Figurine for the family of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal.



Brian and Elizabeth Dersch - October 23, 2018 at 01:29 PM

MG

“ My prayers go out to all of Pat's family! She was simply a beautiful lady and I will miss seeing her. Pat always had a way of brightening my day and I looked forward to seeing her every week when she would get her hair done. Loved her!
Margo Garnant

Margo Garnant - October 23, 2018 at 12:38 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal.



October 23, 2018 at 09:49 AM

LF

“ Love, IBD Family purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal.



Love, IBD Family - October 23, 2018 at 09:05 AM

KA

“ Karen Ashby sent a virtual gift in memory of Mrs. Patricia Mae O'Neal



Karen Ashby - October 23, 2018 at 12:51 AM



“ So sorry to hear of Pat's passing. Its been years since I'd seen her but remember her her as a fun loving & funny girl when we were vrowing up. May God's promise to comfort you during this difficult time.

Evelyn Tate-Clayton - October 22, 2018 at 07:15 PM

Camille Harris

“ Prayers,condolences,hugs,and love go out to Steve,Kristy, Katrina, Karlene,Kwan, and the rest of the family. Cousin Pat was always a sweet. Cherish the memories and the love that is/was shared. Praying for your comfort and peace.



Camille Harris - October 22, 2018 at 05:55 PM