



Patricia Ellen Mothersead

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Patricia Ellen Moody Mothersead, lovingly known as Pat and Patty, passed away peacefully at home on August 22, 2025, after a courageous battle with cancer. She was 79 years old.

Patricia was born on April 5, 1946, in Salt Lake City, Utah, to Ellen Greenwood Smith Moody and Charles J. Moody. She was preceded in death by her parents, who instilled in her the values of love, resilience, and compassion that she carried throughout her life.

Pat graduated from Olympus High School in Salt Lake City, Utah, in 1964 and went on to attend Utah State University, where she earned a bachelor's degree in office administration with a minor in English in 1968. During her time at USU, she was inducted into the honor societies of Phi Kappa Phi and Alpha Lambda Delta, achievements that reflected her dedication to learning and excellence.

Pat later retired from the Virginia Employment Commission in April 2011, where she dedicated many years of service helping others and forming lasting friendships with her colleagues.

Family was at the center of Patricia's world, and her greatest pride was in her role as a mother and grandmother. She is survived by her daughters: Anne Greenwood Mothersead (fiancé Stan Grubb), Mary Elizabeth Rowland (husband George Rowland), and Catherine Suzanne Butler (husband Greg Butler). She was a proud grandmother to Will Southerland, Makayla Breeden, Marcus Rowland, Riley Rowland, Sophia Butler, and Savannah Butler. Patricia is also survived by her loving sister, Charlotte McGee of Colorado, her niece, Leah M. McGee; and many extended family and friends who cherished her.

Patricia's life was marked by kindness, strength, and a warm sense of humor. She had a gift for making others feel welcome and valued, whether with her thoughtful words, her laughter, or her ability to listen with a caring heart. She loved traveling to other countries and embracing new experiences, but her happiest moments were often found close to home—gardening in the



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sunshine, playing bridge with friends, spending time with her grandchildren, and surrounding herself with animals. She especially loved sheep, collecting sheep-themed treasures that brought her joy and reflected her gentle spirit.

Those who knew Patricia will remember her resilience and grace, even in the face of life's hardest challenges. She lived each day with courage and generosity, and her legacy lives on through the many lives she touched.

The family wishes to extend heartfelt thanks to the hospice staff of Compassus, Dr. Viscuse and his nurse Alexis Brown, the Emily Couric Cancer Center, and the UVA Oncology teams in both Charlottesville and Pantops, as well as to everyone who offered love and kindness throughout Patricia's journey.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, September 6, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Found and Sons Funeral Chapel, 850 Sperryville Pike, Culpeper, VA. Family and friends are warmly invited to attend and share memories of the remarkable woman she was.

Patricia's life was a testament to love, faith, and strength, and she will be deeply missed by all who were fortunate enough to know her.

The family invites those unable to attend to watch via livestream at

<https://view.oneroomstreaming.com/index.php?data=MTclNjQ4NTU4NzM3ODI2MiZvbmVyb29tLWFkbWluJmNvcHlfbGluaw==>

An online guestbook and tribute wall are available at www.foundandsons.com

Found and Sons Funeral Chapel of Culpeper is serving the family.



Events


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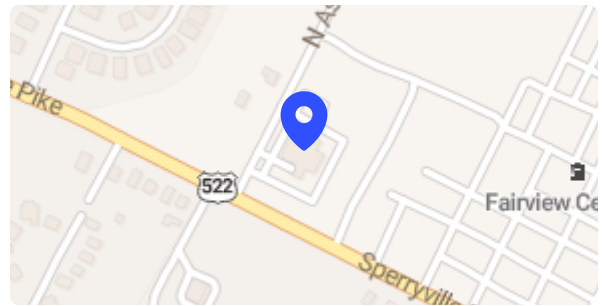
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Celebration of Life

 **Saturday**, September 6, 2025

 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM ET

 **Found and Sons Funeral Chapels & Cremation Service**
850 Sperryville Pike, Culpeper VA 22701





Tribute Wall

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A

Anne Mothersead shared 7 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

April 5 at 3:26 PM



A

Anne Mothersead shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

April 5 at 3:22 PM



A

Anne Mothersead lit a candle in honor of Patricia.

Happy Birthday Mom ♥♥♥♥♥

April 5 at 3:19 PM



A

Anne Mothersead sent a virtual gift in honor of Patricia.

Anne Mothersead sent a virtual gift in memory of Patricia Mothersead

April 5 at 3:18 PM



A

Anne Mothersead lit a candle in honor of Patricia.

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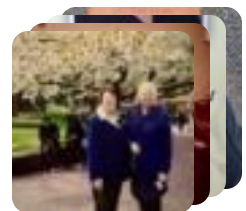
April 5 at 3:16 PM



M

Mary shared 42 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

August 30 at 8:31 PM





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M

Mary shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.



April 5 at 1:36 PM

M

Mary sent a virtual gift in honor of Patricia.

Mary sent a virtual gift in memory of Patricia Mothersead



April 5 at 1:25 PM

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April 5 at 1:25 PM

M

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April 5 at 1:24 PM

M

Mary posted:

Happy birthday in heaven mommy! I love you & miss you every day. Devastating ❤️ doesn't even begin to describe the time since you left us. Gone too soon ❤️❤️💜❤️ Time does not heal wounds or heart break. I am having to redefine my life without you my best friend, amazing human being and mom with the best sense of humor and wisdom

April 5 at 1:23 PM

M

Mary sent a virtual gift in honor of Patricia.

Mary sent a virtual gift in memory of Patricia Mothersead



February 27 at 11:37 AM



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February 27 at 11:36 AM



M

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August 30 at 8:31 PM



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Mary shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

February 26 at 9:33 PM



M

Mary shared 2 photos to the **Tribute Wall** album.

February 26 at 9:30 PM



AG

Anne G. planted a grove of 3 Memorial Trees in honor of Patricia.

October 17 at 4:09 PM



AN

Anne lit a candle in honor of Patricia.

Anne lit a candle in memory of Patricia Mothersead

October 17 at 4:06 PM





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MR

Mary E Rowland posted:

I wanted to share a few things about my mother Patricia. it is one thing to lose a parent, which is always sad, but you lose your best friend and biggest supporter is another ballpark all in itself. My children (her two youngest grandchildren) are special needs. She supported me and was behind me every step of the way when no one else was or I didn't know what to do. I taught my children sign language because they were non verbal against the recommendations of teachers, experts, and doctors. She encouraged me & we spent long conversations on the phone trying to figure out what to do and how she could help me and what programs to enroll her grandchildren in. She listened to every frustration, every doubt, every time I came against the wall and was discouraged and cried she listened & she was there. I am so grateful for her for that and all that she taught us. She was the kind of mother that could give you that "Mom look" and you stopped dead in your tracks or stopped what you were saying as kids. She didn't have to say a word. something I know my sister's and I wish we had with our children today. She was caring, she was loving, she was always making jokes (we loved to make each other laugh), she was empathetic, thoughtful, and had a lot of patience. She was always there for us kids when we were sick through surgeries, cancer scares ourselves, and unknown diagnoses - she was there. It was definitely not hard for me to be there for her through all the treatments, surgeries, infusions, chemo, radiation, and immunotherapy holding her hand being there for her in return. At one point she was actually cancer - free it was amazing. She loved the simple things such as butterflies, hummingbirds, animals (cats dogs sheep horses.. she had put us in 4-H dog club cat club sheep club horse club.. she had an active role in Horse club), lighthouses, and a good hot meal. She also loved the finer things too like art (including Renoir, Monet, Dega), poetry (Robert Frost), classical music, operas, and musicals. She loved a variety of music as well. She shared all these things with us as well. She was fiercely intelligent and worked for the C.I.A. at one point. She would watch Jeopardy nightly and usually get most if not all the answers right, it was amazing I loved it. We loved to watch game shows together (the game show network) and a good movie. She loved traveling. If it was far away or local she was all in. She got to go to many places including Australia, China, New Zealand, Vancouver, England (several times), Rome, Canada, and in the states Hawaii, Florida, California, New Jersey, Nevada, Mexico, and many more. When covid hit it slowed down her traveling and then she got sick after that. She was diagnosed with cancer December of 2022. She was strong, she was stubborn, and she fought with everything she had. I know she had hoped that her children would get the travel bug ... there is still hope. She taught us so many things; values, morals, being a well rounded person with common sense and to be safe. When I lived in Richmond for 2 1/2 years some of the lessons she taught me I know saved my life. A week before her death she was still correcting our grammar and keeping us laughing "shuffling off to Buffalo". I know that she was very proud of her three girls (and grandchildren) as we were proud of her. Her strength and legacy that she left us and can carry on. I love you mom and will miss talking to you each and everyday but I know you are with me in my heart forever until I see you again. Thank you Mommy for being an amazing, awesome person and for being my mom. ❤️

August 30 at 8:31 PM



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MR

MR **Mary Rowland** September 19 at 5:35 PM
❤️

AM **Anne Mothersead** September 12 at 9:29 AM
I though that this is beautiful and I absolutely agree, she was always there and empathetic and compassionate and loving and kind. She taught us so much and I miss her every second of every day

ME

Mary E. planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Patricia.



September 7 at 11:31 AM

MB

Mary Ann W Bowersock posted:

Pat was my friend and co-worker at the Culpeper VEC. Our cubicles were next to each other. She was very knowledgeable in the ways of unemployment and taught me well how to do claims. She was a kind person. We shared many stories and laughs for the 9.5 years we were colleagues. She was so proud of her daughters and grandchildren. To all of her family I send my condolences.

September 6 at 11:09 AM

LF

Love, Erika Ohleger Marshall & Family sent a Pretty Please to the Mothersead family.



September 3 at 11:55 AM

Anonymous sent a Blue Caribbean Bouquet to the Mothersead family.



September 3 at 9:15 AM



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AM

Anne G Mothersead sent a virtual gift in honor of Patricia.

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September 2 at 11:58 AM



SG

Stan Grubb lit a candle in honor of Patricia.

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September 2 at 11:57 AM



AM

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MR

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September 1 at 12:20 PM



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September 1 at 12:20 PM



FR

Franklin M. Reynolds posted:

PRAYERS FOR T HE FAMILY. WE WERE NEXT DOOR NEIGHBORS WITH PAT AND GIRLS FOR A LONG TIME. FRANK & JEAN REYNOLDS

September 1 at 7:53 AM



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Marsha Pike sent a virtual gift in honor of Patricia.

I'm so sorry to hear of Patty's passing. It was a privilege to know her. She and I were roommates in Arlington, Virginia where we were employed by the Federal government. I really enjoyed her friendship. I'm extending to her family my sympathies, and please know they are in my thoughts and prayers.



August 30 at 8:31 PM



Jane Calvert September 6 at 12:34 PM

Pat was a kind person. She and I worked together at Culpeper Vec I'm sad to hear of her passing. She was a great listener and gave good motherly advice. Prayers for her family. 🙏



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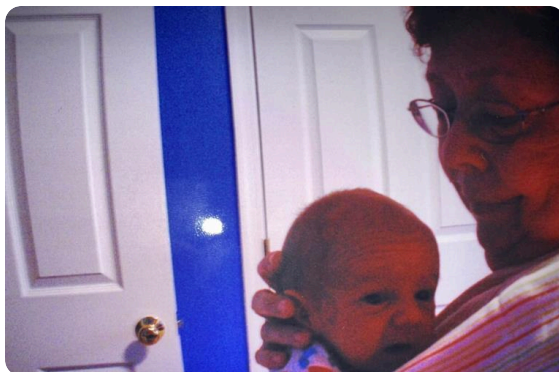
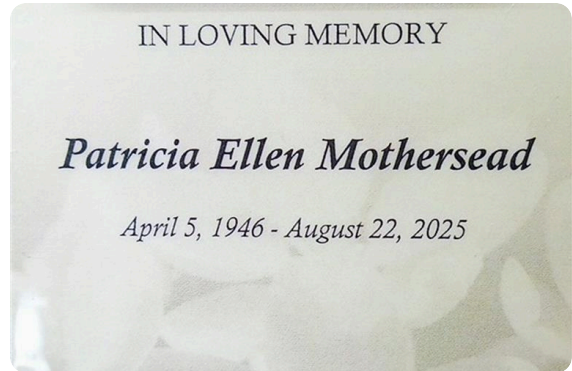
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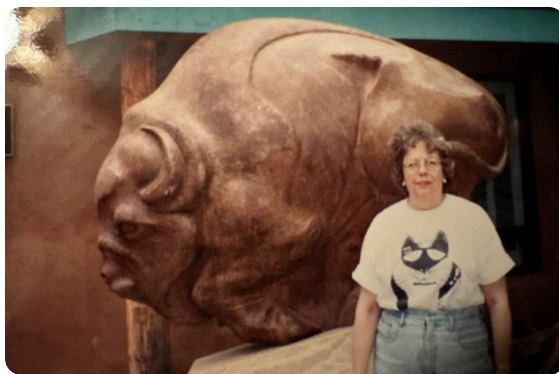




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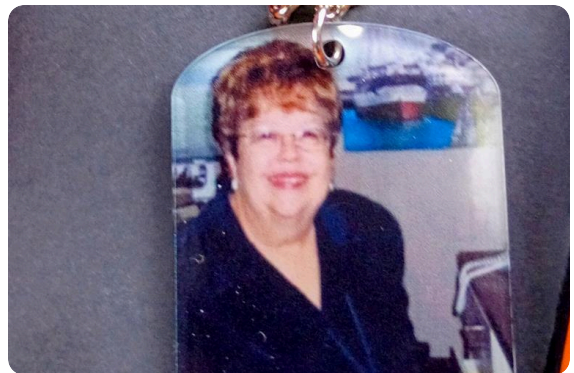
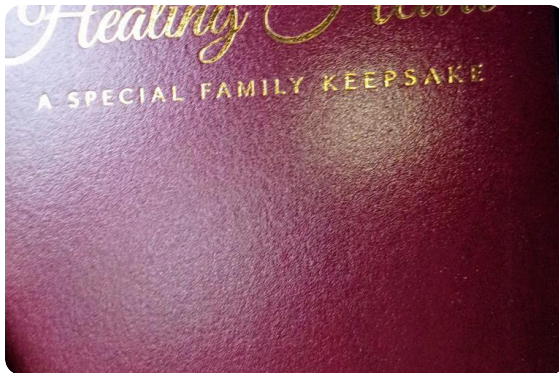


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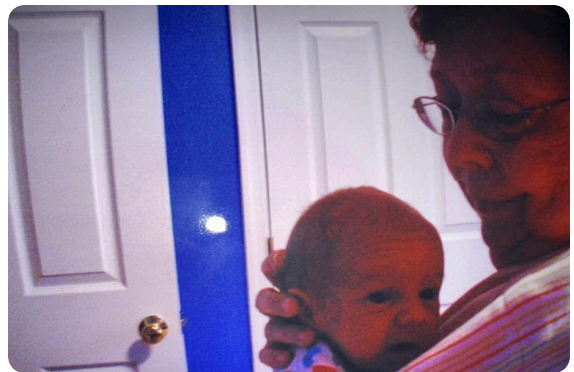




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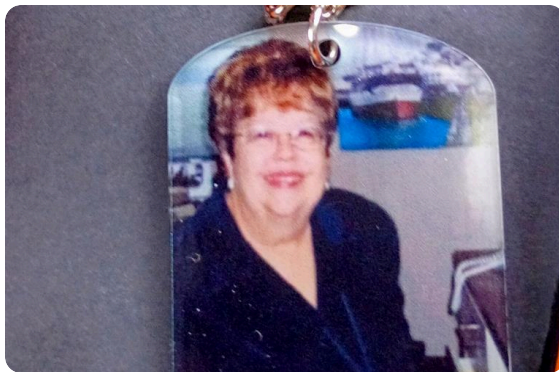
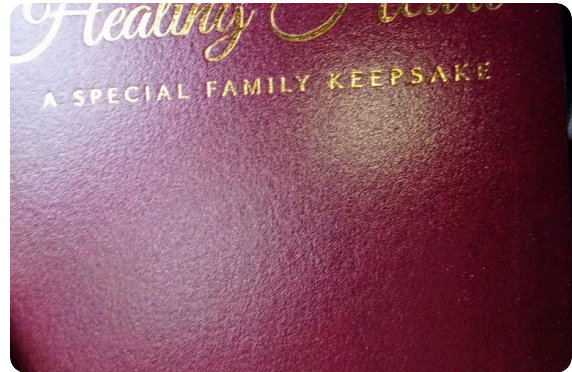


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Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Patricia by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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