



Patricia Jane "Pat" Runkel

May 31, 1944 - June 8, 2018

Patricia Jane "Pat" Runkel, age 74, of Andrews, died at 9:45 a.m. Friday, June 8, 2018 at her granddaughter's home.

Visitation will be from 4 - 6 p.m. Monday, June 11, 2018 at Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana. Funeral services will immediately follow at 6 p.m. Monday at Bailey-Love Mortuary with Pastor Harold Smith officiating.

Preferred memorials are to Riley Children's Health, in care of Bailey-Love Mortuary, 35 West Park Drive, Huntington, Indiana, 46750.

Pat was born on May 31, 1944 in Portland, the daughter of Ernest and Opal (Roberts) Murphy. She was raised on a farm outside Bryant in Jay County. She graduated from Bryant High School in 1962 where she was a cheerleader and majorette. She married George Edward Runkel on February 22, 1963 in Jay County. Together they raised three children in Banquo before moving to a farm in rural Huntington County. There she enjoyed farm life, gardening, feeding fish at the pond, her many animals, dogs, cats, 4-H lambs, and horses. She lovingly worked as a homemaker and worked at The Shirt Shed in Wabash until her children told her they didn't care about the money, they wanted her home. She was a member of Banquo Christian Church and a member of a quilting club; she especially enjoyed making quilts for her loved

ones. She also gave presentations and loved to teach children about Indian life at the Historic Forks of the Wabash and Mississinewa 1812. She was a wonderful cook and enjoyed making special meals for loved ones. She loved to go camping with family and friends and loved taking golf cart rides around the farm with her grandchildren. She also loved feeding hummingbirds and watching them eat. She enjoyed going to the Portland Engine Show and traveling to Florida as a “snowbird.”

Survivors include her husband of 55 years, George Edward Runkel of Andrews, daughters Kim Runkel and Jackie (Mitch) Hobbs, both of Huntington, a son, Patrick (Melanie) Runkel of Bluffton, grandchildren Kristie (Eric) McEntyre, Josh Donald, Kandi (Josh) Hale-Roseberry, Tom (Nakia) Hobbs, Chayton Foster, Dakota Foster, Levi Runkel, and Jacob Runkel, and great grandchildren Branden McEntyre, Lilly McEntyre, Skylar Donald, Alexis Donald, Dottie Hobbs, Kinlee Hobbs, Daphne Hobbs, Rosemary Hobbs, Leah Hale, and Jackson Roseberry. Also surviving are a sister, Barb (Jerry) Kiepher of Muncie, a brother, Randy (Dianne) Murphy of Portland, sisters-in-law Sue Murphy of Portland and Beulah Murphy of Bluffton, and a lifelong friend, Penny Hons. She is preceded in death by her parents, brothers Tom Murphy, Wendal Murphy, and Michael Murphy, and a granddaughter, Samantha Foster.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary created a Tribute Video in memory of Patricia Jane "Pat" Runkel



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - June 11, 2018 at 12:01 PM

KF

So sorry to hear of Pat's passing. Loved to go visit them in Huntington and "horse camping" at Salamonie. Many prayers.

Karen Fosnaugh - June 12, 2018 at 03:30 PM

MR

Beautiful tribute to my Aunt Pat

Michelle Ripple - June 12, 2018 at 06:14 PM

JP

“ To George and family, I'm so sorry for your lost of Pat. She was a very special lady and I feel bless to have known her. Pat was a wonderful person and will be missed. You have My deepest sympathy and prayers to help you through the coming days.



Jean Poisel - June 13, 2018 at 01:05 PM

JK

“ I grew up just outside of Banquo and my parents were friends with Pat & George for many many years. I remember coming over to their place to play with Kim and Pat. They were always so nice to us. I am sorry to hear of your families loss of such a wonderful soul. Please know that my thoughts and prayers our with your entire family, please tell George the Kinley family still thinks of them all the time. God Bless.



Jerri Kinley - June 11, 2018 at 03:00 PM

EY

“ George thought and prayer's are with you in this time of need. Elwin Young



Elwin Young - June 11, 2018 at 01:37 PM

RY

“ What can we say about Pat. She always showed love to everyone she came in contact with and made them fell like part of her large family. Our thoughts and prayers go out to George and the entire family with loving memories. Rick & Jenny Young.

Rick & Jenny Young - June 11, 2018 at 12:49 PM

GW

“ Geraldine Wayman purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Patricia Jane "Pat" Runkel.



Geraldine Wayman - June 11, 2018 at 10:59 AM

BL

“ 26 files added to the album Life Tributes



Adkins Bailey-Love Mortuary - June 11, 2018 at 10:58 AM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Patricia Jane "Pat" Runkel.



June 11, 2018 at 10:15 AM

MA

“ Mike & Jay Anstett lit a candle in memory of Patricia Jane "Pat" Runkel



Mike & Jay Anstett - June 11, 2018 at 08:46 AM

JT

“ *Jim & Robyn Todd lit a candle in memory of Patricia Jane "Pat" Runkel*



Jim & Robyn Todd - June 10, 2018 at 07:08 AM

JT

“ *Dear Family, it is heart breaking to hear of Pat's passing. We have enjoyed so many good times at 1812 with her. Her kind, gentle voice, her way of loving on people will always be remembered. Pat made us feel like we were family too! Peace be with all of you in the coming days and months as you go on. Pat, will be missed sorely!*

Love, Jim & Robyn Todd

Jim & Robyn Todd - June 10, 2018 at 07:07 AM



“ *So sorry to hear about Pat's death. She seemed so invincible to me; always full of spark. She often teased me about already having great-grandchildren when I had my first GRANDchild. She always made me smile. We were cheerleaders and majorettes together - lots of great memories. May The Lord embrace all her family in His Love.*

Joann Strickler - June 09, 2018 at 03:55 PM

FA

“ So sorry for your loss. Pat will be missed by us all at Spanish Main. She was a great friend to everyone. Our thoughts and prayers are with you George and all the family at this difficult time. R.I.P. dear Pat. So loved.
Fred and Rachel Armani.

Frederick A Armani - June 09, 2018 at 10:06 AM

JF

“ Our friend Pat will be missed here in Spanish Main....Her oyster dressing, her smiles at bingo, and the friendly chats on the street... Rest in peace pat!! We are praying for comfort for all the family!!!

Judy Flether - June 08, 2018 at 05:19 PM

MC

sorry for your loss she was a great friend to have i will miss her very much and prayers go out to george and her family sorry i didnt get to say good bye you rest in peace my dear friend i will miss you xoxoxo

mary alice chempanos - June 09, 2018 at 09:48 PM

LJ

I'm so sorry to hear about Pat. She and George always had a story and smile to share with Ed and I. Although I didn't get to see her much I enjoyed the times I did. My heart goes out to the beautiful family she cherished. Leslie Jones

leslie jones - June 10, 2018 at 08:55 PM

JR

We are so sorry to hear of Pat's passing. Sending prayers for strength and peace for George and family. We will miss her.

Joyce and Dave Robinson - June 13, 2018 at 09:29 PM