



Patricia Ann "Pat" Braatz

December 11, 2012

Pat went peacefully into God's presence on the morning of Tuesday December 11, 2012 after a yearlong decline in her health.

Mrs. Patricia Ann Braatz was born on June 2, 1937 in Toledo Ohio to Albert and Rosella Hoover. She graduated from Central Catholic High, class of 1955. She was working at the telephone company as a supervisor when she met her future husband Lee. Together Pat and Lee raised three children and instilled in them their value of Faith, Love, Service, and Humility. She devoted her life to God and caring for her family, always placing their needs before her own. Pat enjoyed spending time reading, praying and cooking family meals. She was always reaching out attempting to bring others closer to Christ. Her spiritual life was a continuous process by being a leader in many spiritual movements, starting with Marriage Encounter, Cursillo, the charismatic movement, O.L.P.H. Prayer Group, and always a part of her parish P.A.L. retreats. Her ambition didn't stop there; she took communion to the sick, held communion services at Michaelmas Manor and Foundation Park and became a volunteer at Hospice of Northwest Ohio, where she received the tender loving care needed before going to the Lord.

Her greatest love was being a part of the Society of St. Vincent DePaul. She always made sure it was a hand up and not a hand out, and many a time gave away her own things, or bought prescriptions for others. She once bought school uniforms for a needy teenager.

Pat was preceded in death by her parents, and Lee's parents Harold and

Audrey Braatz; she is survived by her loving husband Lee; children Brenda, Brian, and Brad; grandchildren Dylan, Logan and Mikaela Green, and Benjamin Braatz; plus many brothers and sisters in Christ from O.L.P.H. Church.

Friends may visit at the Coyle Funeral Home; 1770 S Reynolds Rd on Friday December 14th from 2-8 pm where a scripture service will be held at 7:00 pm. Funeral services will begin in the mortuary on Saturday December 15, at 9:30 am followed by the funeral mass at 10:00 am at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church. Interment will follow in Resurrection Cemetery. Memorials may take the form of a contribution to either OLPH Church, they never left our side and kept our faith strong, or Hospice of Northwest Ohio. Please view and sign the on-line guest registry at CoyleFuneralHome.com

The family would like to thank the many doctors and nurses at St. Ann's Hospital and the staff and nurses at Hospice of Northwest Ohio who went out of their way to make Pat comfortable.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

5725 Hill Ave
Toledo, OH 43615

Tribute Wall

BH

“ *Lee, I am very sorry to hear of Patricia's passing. I know what a long journey it was for both of you. Now she is with the Lord, and I pray that God will comfort you and your family with the assurance of His enduring love and mercy. My prayers are with you. Take care my friend. Your former Amerisource driving buddy, Bob Haar*

Bob Haar - December 15, 2012 at 01:19 PM

BH

“ *Bob Haar lit a candle in memory of Patricia Ann "Pat" Braatz*



Bob Haar - December 15, 2012 at 01:15 PM

JM

“ *Lee and Family,*

My condolences on your great loss. Pat shared with me one time that she never felt like she was doing enough. This on a day that she looked particularly tired and couldn't squeeze one more thing into her day. Pat inspired us all to be better spouses, better parents, better Christians and better Catholics. She lived as she believed and I know she will be missed. My prayers and best wishes are with you all.

John Mackley

John Mackley - December 15, 2012 at 01:08 PM

PK

“ So, sorry about your loss. May god bless all of you. Paul and Jackie Krohn, neighbors from Glenview Dr.

Paul Krohn - December 15, 2012 at 11:11 AM

MB

“ Lee, Mike and I are so sorry to hear the loss of Pat, may God guide through this sad time. Our prayers are with you, May God Bless you and your family,
Mike & Vicki Bailey

Mike & Vicki Bailey - December 15, 2012 at 09:41 AM

BR

“ Lee,

What a shock to read this morning's paper. Since Jim and I moved I have not been good at coming to see everyone. It was always fun to watch Pat walking the dog,, regardless of weather, and finding the time to stop and visit. Both of you have committed so much to OLPH, and you can be so proud of that commitment. I have one serious bout of something and can't expose anyone to this cold, etc. I did a quck weekend in California to see our little granddaughters and they were so kind as to send me home with this cold.

If at all possible, and I won't contaminate anyone, I will try to attend her funeral Mass on Saturday. Please be assured you have our prayers and sympathyas well as your children.

I'll have our son, Bill, add a prayer for Pat also. I frankly think all of you need a prayer more than Pat. So we will do that. Many years ago Pat had a date with my brother, Bill, not too long before he drowned in 1962. We often talked about that and the good times we were fortunate enough to share.

Hang on to the wonderful memories, Lee.

Barbara & Jim Rose

Barbara Rose - December 13, 2012 at 11:00 PM