



Patricia "Pat" Ann Yunk-Herdina

August 13, 1947 - June 21, 2025

Patricia Ann (Pat) Herdina

age 77, passed away peacefully on June 21, 2025, at 12:50 PM at Care Partners in Weston, Wisconsin, surrounded by the love of her family.

Pat was born on August 13, 1947, in Park Falls, Wisconsin, to Robert and Laura (Gotz) Yunk. She was raised in Park Falls, where she attended St. Anthony's of Padua School and graduated from Lincoln High School. Following graduation, she furthered her education at Wausau Technical Institute.

Pat began her career at Employers Insurance Company of Wausau, where she worked as a Bond Agent until her retirement. Never one to sit still, she continued working part-time for the Wausau School District in food service, where she enjoyed connecting with students and colleagues.

A vivacious and spiritual woman, Pat had a gift for making others feel welcome and loved. Her four grandchildren brought her tremendous joy, and she took great pride in being part of their lives.

Pat lived life to the fullest. She loved camping with her family, gardening, spending time at her family's cabin, golfing, fishing, sale shopping, decorating

for all holidays and traveling. An avid walker, she always sought to live a healthy lifestyle. She was also a passionate Wisconsin sports fan, cheering on the Green Bay Packers, Milwaukee Brewers, and Wisconsin Badgers. One of her proudest moments was attending the Rose Bowl to watch the Badgers play.

Pat's love for family and friends was unconditional and enduring. Even in the face of illness, Pat continued to share smiles, hugs, and words of love, despite the challenges she faced.

Pat is survived by her sons, Kenneth (Carrie) Kleman of Fort Atkinson, WI, and Michael (Jill) Kleman of Wausau, WI; by her beloved grandchildren Elena, Ava, Jack, and Abbey. She is also survived by her mother, Laura Yunk of Park Falls, WI; siblings Carol Merten of Park Falls, WI, Ronald (Kathy) Yunk of Park Falls, WI, Mary (John) Schwartz of Iola, WI, Joan Yunk of New Baden, IL, Donna (Deb Mayhew) Yunk of Superior, WI, and Randal Yunk of Park Falls, WI; as well as many dear aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins, friends and her husband, Russel Herdina of Wausau, WI.

She was preceded in death by her son, Brian Kleman; her father, Robert Yunk; her grandparents; brother-in-law, William Merten; and several aunts and uncles.

A Celebration of Life Mass for Pat will be held at Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church, 1104 S 9th Ave, Wausau, WI 54401 on July 25, 2025, with visitation from 9:30 AM to 11:00 AM, followed by a funeral mass. To view the Celebration of Life Mass online visit: <https://meet.google.com/ftp-mieg-kfa>

A graveside service will be held at Nola Cemetery in Park Falls on Saturday July 26, 2025 at 11:00am. Deacon Bob Schienebeck will officiate.

Pat's warmth, laughter, and boundless love will remain in the hearts of those who knew her. She will be deeply missed.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt gratitude to Care Partners Memory Care in Weston and Compassus Hospice Services for their exceptional kindness, compassion, and loving care of Pat throughout her final journey. Your support meant so much to her and to all of us.

Cemetery Details

Nola Cemetery

Park Falls, WI

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 25. 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church
1104 S. 9th Avenue
Wausau, WI 54401

Funeral Mass

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Graveside Service

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