



Patricia "Pat" Renwart

November 15, 1925 - September 4, 2021

Patricia was a WWII Veteran, serving with the Allied Forces in the British Royal Navy (W.R.N.S.). As a "WREN" her job was a writer in signal intelligence. On VE Day (Victory in Europe) she had a chance meeting and danced with a handsome aircraft mechanic who had come to serve in the R.A.F. Belgian Division. Married in Manchester, England, she followed her husband to Brussels, Belgium where they had their first three children. With a transfer to New York with SABENA Airlines in 1952, they started their American life and had their fourth child.

Pat obtained her Stockbroker's License at a time there were few working mothers. She was a Welcome Wagon Lady and a World Book Encyclopedia salesperson. Desiring to further her education, Pat began attending Nassau Community and Molloy Colleges, graduating with a B.A., Summa Cum Laude. Higher learning took her to Hofstra and Stonybrook Universities earning dual Masters in French, ultimately receiving her ABD (All But Dissertation) for her PhD in TESOL from N.Y.U. In the 1980s she was an Adjunct Professor at SUNY Farmingdale in the Language Department. As a French and ESOL teacher, she was able to help students from all nationalities. Pat then opened her own school, The Language Institute of Long Island as Director. Pat was the first to volunteer at St. Bernard's Church to help with the transition of refugees from Vietnam, teaching them English.

Upon retirement, Pat and Emile built a log home on Lake Gaston, NC and traveled the country in their RV. Through their church, Pat continued her

volunteer work teaching English to Hispanic migrant workers as well as serving local charitable organizations including the local Fire Department. When rural life got too much for them, they found their way to Bonita Springs, FL. Pat was active in St. Leo's Church, making Moses Baskets, joining the knitting group and helping the Christian Brothers at Manor Christian. She created a program for the local Hispanics teaching ESOL.

In her later years, although challenged with poor eyesight and hearing, she was still able to work most days on her "COMPUTA" completing two textbooks using her own method of teaching English. Additionally, she recently finished a book of her memoirs.

Pat was able to spend her last years living with her three daughters who live three houses in a row. Anyone who knew Pat saw that she was intelligent, strong willed, determined and ready to take on the world. She will be greatly missed.

Pat is survived by her three daughters, Anne (George) Vola, Kathleen Renwart-Ruano and Simone (Christopher) Davies; grandchildren, Nicole Vola, Alexander Renwart and Arielle Renwart. She was preceded in death by her husband, Emile Renwart; son, Serge Renwart and his wife, Pauline; and son-in-law, George Ruano.

A Memorial Mass will be held on Friday, September 17, 2021 at 11 AM in St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, Bonita Springs.

To sign Pat's guest register or to leave online condolences, please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home and Crematory, Family Owned and Operated since 1978.

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

SEP 17. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Leo the Great Catholic Church
28290 Beaumont Road
Bonita Springs, FL 34134

Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia "Pat" Renwart*

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Patricia "Pat" Renwart.*



September 16, 2021 at 04:35 AM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Patricia "Pat" Renwart.*



September 15, 2021 at 11:45 AM



“ *There's another angel in heaven! Pat was wonderful in her thoughts and concerns for the less fortunate and their literacy. She helped our mission of Los Hermanos in Bonita reach many. Prayers for the repose of her soul and the consolation of her family. On behalf of the Christian Brothers I wish you peace, Brother Benedict McDonough, cfc*

Br. R. McDonough - September 15, 2021 at 06:53 AM

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“ I’m so very sorry for your loss. Your mother/
grandmother, Pat, was a very special woman!
Her positivity, generosity, strength and
trailblazing attitude, definitely touched my life
and countless others around the world. May
she Rest In Peace. With deep condolences and love, Carolyn
Adamski & Family



carolyn adamski - September 09, 2021 at 09:07 PM