



## Patricia "Pat" Holly

March 28, 1940 - February 13, 2014

Patricia J. Holly

RACINE – Patricia Joan Holly (nee: Hrasky), 73, passed away on Thursday, February 13, 2014 at the Hospice Alliance Hospice House. She was a lifelong resident of Racine, born on March 28, 1940, the daughter of the late Anton and Sylvia (nee: Danzer) Hrasky. Pat graduated from Horlick High School in 1958, St. Luke's School of Nursing in 1961, and Carthage College in 1974. Pat was employed by St. Luke's Hospital and the City of Racine Health Department. On February 4, 1961, Pat was united in marriage to the love of her life, Steve, at the First Evangelical Lutheran Church. Pat was a longtime member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

In addition to her passion for nursing, Pat enjoyed playing tennis, watching Sunday morning news programs, watching Casablanca endless times, volunteering with the Racine Unified WINGS program, reading everything and anything, discussing and debating politics, admiring and adoring her grandchildren, doing jigsaw puzzles, gardening, bird watching, playing Mah Jongg with the girls, watching NCIS over and over, reading Time magazine, playing Rummikub, enjoying cocktails, attending book club, eating pizza at Wells Brothers, listening to WGN, dining out with friends, helping others, donating to countless charities, and spending time with her family and her many, many dear friends. And more...much more than this...she did it her way.

Pat is survived by her son, Christopher Holly of Racine; daughter and son-in-

law, Jennifer Holly and William Podkowa of Shorewood, IL; grandchildren, Anthony and Elizabeth Podkowa; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, James and Patricia Holly of Springville, CA; brother-in-law, Robert Burns of Carbondale, CO; and sister-in law, Janet Hrasky of Peterborough, NH. She is further survived by nieces, nephews, cousins, other relatives and those aforementioned many, many dear friends.

She was preceded in death by her husband; parents; brother, William Hrasky; and her very special friend, Helen Stoffel.

Funeral services will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Saturday, February 22, at 11 a.m. with Rev. Diane Tetrault officiating. Pat will join her soul mate Steve in a private ceremony at Graceland Cemetery following services. There will be a visitation at the funeral home on Friday evening from 4 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. and at the funeral home on Saturday, from 10 a.m. until the time of the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Health Care Network, 904 State St. Racine, WI 53404 or American Cancer Society, have been suggested by the family.

A special thank you to Dr. Antony Ruggeri, Dr. Michael Mullane, Dr. Thomas Goodrich, and the staff at the Hospice Alliance Hospice House for the loving care.

# Cemetery Details

## Graceland Cemetery

Racine, WI

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 21. 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home  
3014 Northwestern Avenue  
Racine, WI 53404  
(262) 632-4479  
info@sturinofuneralhome.com

## Visitation

FEB 22. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Funeral Service

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FEB **22**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

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“ I grew up at 1100 Romaine Ave. and still remember Pat walking around in a swimming suit when I was in my teens. She always took care of herself. I'm 65 and always enjoyed Pat, her Mom, and Dad. I was her paper carrier, too. I'm so glad I got to be reacquainted with Pat while she was in the Racine Health Dept. She was a smiling face, a warm heart, and helping hands to anyone who needed her help, whenever.

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**Jim Kaplan** - March 09, 2014 at 07:29 PM

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“ Worked with Pat at St. Luke's Hospital, I will always remember her positive attitude, and smile. My thoughts and prayers to her family.

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**Tony Trotta** - February 27, 2014 at 12:26 AM

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“ Pat had a way of correcting the most prestigious physicians in such a jovial way that they would take her words as a compliment when in reality she was scolding them. She was a true patient's advocate. I will miss those ICU and School of Nursing stories she told so well at our post retirement nurse's luncheons. Heaven has one more angel now.

*Ellie Thoemke*



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**Ellie Thoemke** - February 19, 2014 at 09:15 AM

JB

“ *Jim & Carol Binkowski lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Pat" Holly*



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**Jim & Carol Binkowski** - February 17, 2014 at 02:04 PM

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“ *Remember her fondly from St Luke's School of Nursing 1971-1973, she was always so happy. A truly beautiful soul and inspirational nurse. Susan Petersen Karrer R.N.*

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**Sue Karrer** - February 16, 2014 at 08:39 PM

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“ *Bryan & Judy Krist lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Pat" Holly*



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**Bryan & Judy Krist** - February 15, 2014 at 12:52 PM