



Patricia "Pat" Bohling Smith

August 29, 2020

On August 29th, 2020, Patricia (Pat) Bohling Smith, loving wife, mother, and Nana passed away to the Lord at the age of 67 after a courageous fight against cancer.

Pat was born on April 20, 1953 in Hammond, IN to Warren and Margaret (Grunhard) Bohling. On August 22, 1981 she married Robert Smith and they recently celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary. They raised a daughter and a son, René and Doug, along with many dogs, cats, and some feathered friends through the years. Pat graduated from Holy Cross School of Nursing in 1974 and later attended Metropolitan State College and the University of Colorado to receive her Bachelor of Science (1979) and Master of Science (1985) degrees.

Pat was passionate about helping others through her work and volunteer pursuits. She was a registered nurse at Poudre Valley Hospital for 35 years before retiring as the Service Line Director for Women and Family Care in 2014. After retiring, she was the Administrator for the Colorado Perinatal Care Quality Collaborative. Pat volunteered at many organizations over the years, and most recently gave her time at the Larimer County Food Bank and Wellington Library Friends organization. Pat enjoyed travel and spending time outdoors, including jeeping in Moab, water sports at Table Rock Lake in Missouri, and international travels to Tanzania and Europe. She also loved

trying new recipes and cherished her time with her family and many friends, whether it was outings with her grandchildren or gatherings with those she loved. Pat was known for her kind and generous spirit, sense of humor, and love for others.

Pat is survived by her husband Robert, daughter René Davison (Andrew), son Doug Smith (Christy Schultz), grandchildren Cora and Charlie Davison, sisters Dianne Harrington and Suzanne (Ray) Fumi and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her mother, father, and brother Peter.

A Rosary will be held at 1:30 pm, followed by a Memorial Mass at 2:00 pm, Friday, September 18 at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Fort Collins. Seating at the Mass will be limited by social distancing, but friends in lower risk categories are invited to join us in person. The service will also be streamed live online at either of the following sites:

<https://www.facebook.com/StJosephChurchFC/>

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCfTYqQ96sVNI3ED-UZFF0eA>

Private interment will take place at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made in Pat's name to the UCHHealth Northern Colorado Foundation Oncology Patient and Family Support assisting cancer patients with the financial burdens associated with treatment.

Cemetery Details

Grandview Cemetery

1900 West Mountain Avenue
Fort Collins, CO 80521
<http://www.fcgov.com/parks/grandview.php>

Previous Events

Rosary

SEP 18. 1:30 PM (MT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
300 W Mountain Ave
Fort Collins, CO 80521
<https://www.stjosephfc.org/>

Memorial Mass

SEP 18. 2:00 PM (MT)

St. Joseph Catholic Church
300 W Mountain Ave
Fort Collins, CO 80521
<https://www.stjosephfc.org/>

Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia "Pat" Bohling Smith*

October 25, 2022 at 06:14 PM



“ *Rene' and I have been best friends since first grade. We use to have sleep overs all the time! Pat would always welcome me into their home, back then I truly felt like I was part of their family. When my grandmother passed away in February, Rene and Pat came to the funeral. I was so relieved to see both of them! My family was so complete once again! Now, today we say good bye to this wonderful woman. Although I am unable to be with Rene' and family in person, I will be there in spirit. Pat was a wonderful, caring, amazing woman who has helped so many. I am truly honored to have had her a part of my family "tribe" grow up. Rest In Peace Pat, you will always be loved!*

Shannon Metty - September 18, 2020 at 06:30 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Paula Sutton - September 17, 2020 at 04:39 PM



Amazing trip to Tanzania, Africa 2012. Patty and Fuzz heady back to their tent after being out on safari.

Paula Sutton - September 17, 2020 at 05:01 PM

PS

“ *Paula Sutton lit a candle in memory of Patricia "Pat" Bohling Smith*



Paula Sutton - September 17, 2020 at 03:51 PM

PS

“ *Our hearts are breaking to know our fun-loving dear friend will no longer be joining us in our adventures. We know God has a plan and we look to him for comfort in our collective sorrow in the loss of such an amazing person. Patty has been a part of our lives for so many years and so many adventures. We will miss her smile, kindness, frankness, understanding, even-temper, patience, fun spirit, and one always ready for another adventure! Happy trails my friend. Much love to the Smith family. Hugs.*

Jerry & Paula

Paula Sutton - September 17, 2020 at 03:50 PM

CK

“ *I am sad to hear of Pats passing. Heaven is gaining a beautiful angel I had the pleasure of working with Pat at PVH on several product projects. She was a great role leader and I could always go to her with my many questions and advice on products that would best meet the needs of her patients. My thoughts and prayers are with her family and may her loving memories bring you comfort*
Cindy Kimber

Cindy Kimber - September 16, 2020 at 08:41 PM

SS

“ Our deepest sympathy for your loss. I worked with Pat for many years as the Chief Nursing Officer @ PVH. I saw her grow in her leadership role from a staff nurse Pediatrics to Director of Women's Care. She was clinically astute and was committed to excellence, competence, integrity and fairness with her nursing staff. We also shared children about the same age who went to St. Joseph's School. We are sorry to lose Pat at such a young age to such a devastating disease. May she rest in peace. May she know she made a difference in many people's lives. We will all miss her.
Sharyn H. Salmen RN MSN/MBA.

Sharyn H Salmen - September 14, 2020 at 11:32 AM

TF

“ The Davison Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Patricia "Pat" Bohling Smith.



The Davison Family - September 13, 2020 at 06:04 PM

LT

“ Our sincerest condolences to Pat's Family. She was such a kind, sweet person. She always had a smile.
Warmly, Linda & Doyle Thornton



Linda Thornton - September 11, 2020 at 04:56 PM

BM

“ It is very sad to hear of Pat's passing. I worked with Pat for many years at PVH. She was a leader in all aspects of nursing and her contributions to improve patient care are too numerous to list. As colleagues we laughed often and I will always remember Pat as a beautiful person who made a great difference during her lifetime. My condolences to all of you.
Bev Moline

Bev Moline - September 07, 2020 at 03:38 PM

NC

“ I worked with Pat for many years at Poudre Valley Hospital. Such a sweet soul and wonderful Nurse. My condolences to your family. 


Nancy Chandler Clark - September 07, 2020 at 09:02 AM

JZ

“ I was so sad to hear about Pat's passing. Pat and I worked together at PVH for years. I had the opportunity to work with Pat on multiple projects as a peer Director, educator and multiple committees. We both served on the Patient and Family Centered Care Committee which was for the entire hospital. She was always prepared and focused on what was best.
Since we retired, we also had the opportunity to go out for breakfast and happy hours. She will definitely be missed.
I am so glad your family got to go to Hawaii earlier this year. May those memories help comfort you.
Jo zumBrunnen

jo zumBrunnen - September 07, 2020 at 08:16 AM

SH

“ Bob, Rene and Doug, I am so sad to hear of Pat's passing. My thoughts are with you during this difficult time and I hope peace and comfort will find you in the days ahead.

Susan Hayes

Susan L D Hayes - September 07, 2020 at 02:41 AM

RM

“ I was saddened to hear of Pat's passing. She was a wonderful, caring woman with a great sense of humor. She and I worked together at Poudre Valley Hospital when I was manager of rehabilitation there. During the development of the Infant Hearing Screening program at PVH, she and I worked together to ensure it's success. She was very devoted to her patients and their families and her staff. May you Rest in Peace, Pat.

Rhonda McGrane - September 06, 2020 at 02:13 PM

VS

“ I was grieved to hear of Pat's passing. She was a great asset to the Wellington Library Friends, a very sweet and thoughtful person, and she will be dearly missed.

Vicki Slaton
Wellington Library Friends

Vicki Slaton - September 04, 2020 at 04:49 PM

KK

“ On occasion, I worked with Pat at Poudre Valley Hospital. She demonstrated the perfect balance; a warm, caring, assertive, strong leader. It was reassuring to see her working with staff, patients, families. She was a role model for me in helping parents learn to cope with serious illnesses --in my case helping kids and families embrace all the work of managing newly diagnosed diabetes. Her voice alone spoke volumes about her management; deep, strong, very kind and patient. She will be hugely missed!

Kathy Kosec Retired RN

Kathy Kosec - September 04, 2020 at 03:35 PM



“ It doesn't seem that long ago (I was 15) that I rode with Suz, Peter, and Aunt Marge to visit Pat in Colorado. I wanted to be just like her and live in the mountains some day....Pat was such a warm, caring person with a great sense of humor. My heart hurts for all of you. Please be comforted and healed knowing she is with Jesus now.

Donna Grunhard Shehane - September 03, 2020 at 10:29 PM

JA

“ My heart was broken hearing the news of Pat's passing. She was a wonderful person--always cheerful and caring, kind and funny. I always looked up to her as my cousin and loved spending time with her. She always had a way of making you feel special and cared for. I have many cherished memories of both spending time together as kids and with Bob and Pat and their family in Colorado when my family would go to visit. It was always so natural and like we hadn't spent any time apart at all. I will truly miss her until we meet again. My sincerest condolences to Bob, René, Doug, Andrew, Christy, and Cora and Charlie, whom she always spoke of with such excitement and joy. Our hearts are with you in this time of sorrow.

Jeanne Ayers

Jeanne Ayers - September 02, 2020 at 10:11 PM