



Patricia Carol Johnston

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Patricia Carol was born in Detroit, Michigan on January 6, 1927 to William W. and Violet C. Ries Wells.

When Pat was young, her family moved to Missouri. She graduated from Kirtwood High School; and then attended William Wood College in Fulton, Missouri.

She married Robert B. Johnston in Kirkwood, Missouri. They moved to Oregon in the early 1960's.

While raising six children; she studied oil painting; stained glass art; and creative writing. Pat also volunteered as a Portland tour guide in her limited spare time.

After her 1978 divorce; she volunteered at Scappoose High School; becoming a full employed teachers aid; working with disadvantaged children as well as a coordinator of the summer work experience program.

Pat was a prolific reader and believed in sharing the power of books. She was a member of The Friends of the Scappoose Library; and also served on the Library Board. Some other things Pat enjoyed were travel, garage sailing, going to the opera, sewing, and spending time with family and friends.

Pat is survived by her Children: Stephen Douglas Johnston of Beaverton; Candice Leigh Johnston Kooyman of St. Helens; Jeffery Scott Johnston of Vancouver; Melissa Ann Johnston Kooyman of Columbia City; and Anthony Lathrop Johnston of Scappoose; Brother, William W. Wells of Olympia; Grandchildren: Matthew, Jessica, Christopher, Stephani, Nicole, Stephen, and Catie; Great Grandchildren: Alexis, Ashlin, Audra, Braden, Brody, Devon, Henry, Seth, Dylan, Drake, Justice; 2 Nieces and 1 Nephew. She was preceded in death by a son, Michael B. Johnston; her sister, Barbara JoAnn Wells Brett and her ex-husband, Robert.

Contributions are suggested to The Friends of the Scappoose Public Library - P.O. Box 400 - Scappoose, OR 97056.



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Anonymous posted:

I've lived in Scappoose 30 years and whenever I saw Pat she was at the Scappoose Public Library or working with a teen-age student. Her love of education was apparent. Her dedication to both Scappoose High School students in need and the library were an inspiration to many, including me. I worked with her last on the multi-month preparation for the library's 80th anniversary in 2009. She LOVED the library and was revising its history for the Friends to publish in a booklet to be enjoyed by many. Even though she was noticeably aging, she wanted to do everything possible to prepare and help for that milestone. Her numerous years on the Board were served with common sense and wisdom; her devotion as a volunteer with Friends of the Scappoose Public Library will never be forgotten. She was instrumental in building the beautiful library we have today with its professional staff to serve us well into the 21st century. I'm, sure she also inspired many struggling teenage students to keep learning, not give up, and make something of their lives. She will be missed in the Scappoose community. Nancy Rocha, FOSPL Treasurer, June 4, 2011##imported-begin##nancy rocha##imported-end##

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