



## Patricia M. Ward

June 6, 1947 - July 15, 2021

On July 15th, the world lost a beautiful soul with the passing of Patricia Anable Ward. She passed peacefully in the presence of the love of her life, her devoted husband, Richard Ward. Pat was born in Hudson New York on June 6th, 1947 to Frank and Mary Kozub Anable. A lifelong resident of Columbia County, Pat attended St. Mary's Academy from Kindergarten to graduation in 1965. Pat then moved on to study elementary education at Mount St. Mary College, graduating in 1969.

Everyone who had the pleasure of knowing Pat knew, that her family was of the utmost importance to her, and her students a close second. Pat dedicated her life to both her family and her students at John L. Edwards Elementary school where she taught second grade for 33 years.

The ultimate loving and generous woman, Pat was a born caretaker. She had both of her parents move in with her and took care of them in their senior years, but her most beloved job was helping raise her grandchildren who she loved with her whole heart and soul. She was always available to take care of them and she did so with love and patience. She will be sorely missed by her entire family. Pat is survived by her devoted husband, Richard Ward, her three children Jeffery (Erin) Hofstetter, Brian Hofstetter and Coreen (Scott) Brown and four precious grandchildren, Emily, Olivia, Sophia Hofstetter and Timothy Brown. Pat was an only child, but was extremely close to her cousins, Nancy Randall, Jean Hart and Thomas Draushuk.

This loving soul passed on the qualities of love, devotion, honesty and dedication to peace and inclusion to the hundreds of children who passed through her classes in her years at John L. Edwards. She will be remembered fondly by both her students and her fellow staff members.

Calling hours are private. There will be a Mass Of Christian Burial held at Holy Trinity Parish (St. Mary's) at 10:00 am Wednesday July 21.

Because of Pat's love for her pets and all animals, in lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Animal Kind or Everlasting Hope Animal Rescue.

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 21. 10:00 AM.

Holy Trinity St. Mary's Parish  
Hudson, NY

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Donna Florio lit a candle in memory of Patricia M. Ward*



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**donna florio** - July 25, 2021 at 08:20 AM

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“ *Growing up till I moved away Pat Richard Ward was like a second mom to me. They took me in as one of their own. We used to joke and say I was their 4th child. I practically lived their for years and years. I remember clear as day and looking forward to it every Saturday morning waking up with Brian and cooking breakfast for the whole family. Pancakes, eggs, bacon, sausage, home fries. It's were I developed my passion for cooking. They were my second family. I remember that day we got caught stealing fishing scissors from Jamesway. I don't think you ever told my mom. Trips to fays. Who could forget pepperoni subs from Oakdale deli. You spoiled us. Not a day has gone by that I don't miss that feeling of family. When I moved away it broke my heart that I wouldn't and didn't see them anymore. Life changes and people move on but I will never forget the love Pat and the rest of the family showed me. They helped mold me into the person I am today. I'm am so sad and sorry I haven't had the chance to thank them and tell them how much they meant to me. Pat was a Angel. May you now fly with the rest of the Angels and watch over us from above!*



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**Michael Vrana** - July 22, 2021 at 08:08 AM

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“ *Mrs. Ward will be missed in the neighborhood. She was always so thoughtful and kind to everyone.*

*Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family.*

*Laura*

*David H Rivenburgh Agency Inc*

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**Laura L Mortefolio** - July 19, 2021 at 11:21 AM



“ There aren't enough words to express my sadness for one of our wonderful SMA class mates. She always had a smile on her face and willing to do anything for you. I will treasure our friendship and all the wonderful memories.

*Richard and Family, I am truly sorry for you great loss. I will keep you all in my prayers.*

*Claudia Nack Troy*

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**Claudia Troy** - July 18, 2021 at 11:31 PM