



Patricia "Pat" Dishaw

October 7, 1939 - March 15, 2026

Patricia "Pat" Dishaw, 86, of Mansfield Township died peacefully on March 15, 2026 at the Iron County Medicare Facility in Crystal Falls, Michigan.

Pat was born on October 7, 1939 in Sagola Michigan to Rose Mae (Kania) and John Zavada, Jr. Pat attended the one room Mansfield School #2 in her early years and graduated from Crystal Falls High School in 1957. She was employed as a bookkeeper at the First National Bank in Iron Mountain and in 1959 married Neil G. Dishaw in Sagola. He preceded her in death in 2013. Pat served as the Mansfield Township treasurer for over 34 years and was very active in the Michigan Township Association. She was a member of the Iron County Heritage Trail and was instrumental in the reconstruction of the Mansfield Pioneer Church serving as the President of the Mansfield Memories Committee for almost 45 years. She prided herself on sharing the history of Mansfield Township whenever she could. She and her friend, Bev Bates, published the "Mansfield News" for over 20 years. Pat was an active volunteer at the Iron County Medical Care Facility and a 4-H leader and founder of the Mansfield Mini-Mights 4-H Club for 50 years. She was recognized in 2012 as a recipient of the Emerald Award in Lansing. She was a devoted church member of St. Rose Catholic Church in Channing where she was an organist for over 60 years. Her love of music was evident through her work in the Crystal Falls Musicale group as well as local music productions. She received

a grant for her volunteerism that provided playground equipment for the children of Mansfield and accepted that award in Washington DC. She was also the recipient of the Iron County Museum Volunteer Award, the Crystal Falls Woman of the Year Award, named Iron County Homemaker of the Year and the recipient of the Crystal Falls Lions Club Citizen of the Year Award. She encouraged volunteerism and led by example--especially with her children. Pat enjoyed her family, music, tea parties with her grandchildren, gardening, picking berries and her many pets.

She leaves her children, Shirley (Randy) Dishaw Beck, Sharon (Mark) Nickels, Mike (Tina) Dishaw, Joe (Kim) Dishaw and Kathy (Gordon) Springberg; her grandchildren, Daniel (Susan) Beck, Katherine Beck, Kimberly Beck and David (Agnieszka) Beck, Jeff (Rachel) Nickels, Sarah (Mike) McNally, Brooke (Alex) Dishaw, Dustin Dishaw, Nicholas (Addy) Dishaw, Ben (Amber) Burklund, Matthew (Krystyna) Dishaw, Michael (Shawna) Dishaw and Chris Springberg; and four great grandchildren, Olivia, Madeline, Levi and Ellie.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by her son, Pete Dishaw, an infant sister, brothers, Bob and Ken Zavada, brothers-in-law, Duane and Brad Dishaw and sister-in-law Joyce Zavada.

She is survived by sisters-in-law, Karen Rust, Elaine Dishaw and Bev Zavada.

Visitation will be held on Friday, March 20 from 3:00 pm to 7:00 pm at the Nash Funeral Home in Crystal Falls. The rosary will be recited at 7:00 pm. Visitation will also be on Saturday from 10:00 to 11:00 am at St. Rose Catholic Church in Channing. Fr. Daniel Dapaah will offer the Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 am with a luncheon to follow at the Mansfield Township Hall on M-69. Burial will be in the private family cemetery in the spring.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made in Pat's memory to the Mansfield Pioneer Church, 257 Wright Rd. Crystal Falls, MI; St. Rose Catholic Church, 703 Bell Ave. Channing, MI; or the Northwoods Animal Shelter, 930 Selden Rd. Iron River, MI.

The family would like to extend their heartfelt thanks to the caregivers of the Memory Care Unit at ICMCF.

Condolences may be expressed to the family of Pat Dishaw online at www.nashfuneralhome.net

The family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home of Crystal Falls with the arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 20. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services, Inc.
104 N. Third Street
P.O.Box 147
Crystal Falls, MI 49920
1-906-875-6381
nashfuneralhome@gmail.com
<https://www.nashfuneralhome.net/>

Rosary

MAR 20. 7:00 PM (CT)

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Visitation

MAR 21. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Rose Catholic Church
703 Bell Ave.
Channing, MI 49815

Mass of Christian Burial

MAR 21. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BS

“ 1 file added to the album Pat's MEMORIES



Bob Simoni - March 23 at 07:48 PM

SB

Thanks Bob. We so enjoyed our time in Mansfield Massachusetts meeting you and your Mom. 😊

Shirley A Dishaw Beck - March 25 at 07:48 AM

NM

I remember Pat very fondly. I was a Mansfield Mini-Might in the mid to late 80s and the early 90s. Some of my fondest memories are all the projects we did in 4-H. My condolences to her family and friends. Pat was such a nice lady.

Sincerely, Nicole Moggo-Reynolds

Nicole Moggo-Reynolds - April 06 at 06:11 PM

SL

“ Pat was truly an inspiration. She gave generously of her time and talent to make our community a better place for all. Pat always took time to include a personalized message with the mailing of my yearly property tax notices and I appreciated the thought that went in to that. My thoughts and prayers go out to Pat's family. May they take comfort in knowing that her spirit, devotion and legacy will live on through them.



Steve Larsen

Steve Larsen - March 23 at 01:54 AM

SB

Thank you for your kind words Steve. Mom designed that little note with a drawing of her to include in the tax notices. She got to know many of "her taxpayers" through those notes. They would often return a note or Christmas card with their taxes. 😊

Shirley A Dishaw Beck - March 23 at 08:13 AM

BO

“ Our condolences to the Dishaw family. What a wonderful woman Pat was! She had a true servants heart!! We remember fondly, our six trips to the U.P. from Minnesota in years past. She was always so welcoming along with her extended family. I know she's looking down from above and giving a big ole Pat smile. With love to all, from Brian and Deb Ochetti ❤️🙏

Brian and Deb Ochetti - March 21 at 11:21 PM

SB

Thank you for your kind words....we were lucky to have such a wonderful mother. ❤️

Shirley A Dishaw Beck - March 25 at 07:47 AM

DM

“ Sad to hear about Pat. My condolences to all of her family. Dave Morton, Classmate; CFHS 1957

Dave Morton - March 20 at 04:32 PM

MS

“ Sympathy to family & friends. I've known Pat most of my life not so much in last several years. Very kind and friendly person. From, Mary Jane Riverside-Schultz-Olson-Soderberg.

Mary Jane Soderberg - March 20 at 01:12 PM

LZ

“ Patsy was an absolutely wonderful aunt. Her brother and my dad, Ken Zavada, so loved his little sister. Patsy so loved her big brother.

Patsy was such a wonderful role model to so many people; her children, the 4Hrs she led, and the Mansfield and Crystal Falls community.

Patsy is truly one of those people that made the world a better place. I send prayers and condolences to the family.

Larry Zavada - March 20 at 09:24 AM

SB

Thank you Larry. We hope to see you for her service this summer.

Shirley A Dishaw Beck - March 25 at 07:49 AM

DG

“ Shirley, Sharon and Family,

Our heartfelt condolences go out to you and your family. May you find comfort in all your happy memories shared throughout your life time with your loving mother.

Bill & Debbie Grabowski



Debbie Grabowski - March 18 at 08:38 PM

TM

“ Our condolences to all of Pat's family. We knew way back in the 60s. She played at our wedding. I remember her always being very kind. RIP Pat!

Tom and Kathi McCole` - March 18 at 08:33 PM

RK

“ Ralph, Bonnie, Tom, Kathy, Al and Karen purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Patricia "Pat" Dishaw.



Ralph, Bonnie, Tom, Kathy, Al and Karen - March 18 at 04:19 PM

RK

“ Ralph, Bonnie, Tom, Kathy, Al and Karen planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia "Pat" Dishaw.

Ralph, Bonnie, Tom, Kathy, Al and Karen - March 18 at 04:19 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Patricia "Pat" Dishaw.



March 18 at 12:05 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Patricia "Pat" Dishaw.

March 18 at 12:05 PM



“ My Deepest Sympathy to the Family. Pat was always such a caring person. I remember her well as a classmate and friend. She had me to her home several times when I visited my family in Crystal Falls. May she Rest In Peace in the Arms of Our Lord.

Karen Parcels - March 18 at 10:46 AM



“ Please watch for addition to Mom's obituary that will have suggested charities instead of flowers. Thank you....Shirley

Shirley A Dishaw Beck - March 18 at 09:32 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Patricia "Pat" Dishaw.



March 18 at 07:54 AM



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March 18 at 07:54 AM



“ Pat was always a kind and pleasant lady. Sending my sympathy and prayers to the family.

Pat Westcott - March 17 at 11:06 PM



“ Jeffrey Gangl purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Patricia "Pat" Dishaw.



Jeffrey Gangl - March 17 at 08:51 PM



“ Jeffrey Gangl planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia "Pat" Dishaw.

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“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Patricia "Pat" Dishaw.*



March 17 at 07:16 PM



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March 17 at 07:16 PM