



Patricia MacDonald Jewell

March 4, 1926 - December 10, 2015

Crystal Falls

Patricia M. Jewell

89, of Crystal Falls, passed away peacefully on Thursday, Dec. 10, 2015 at Iron County Medical Care Facility in Crystal Falls. Patricia was born on March 4, 1926 in Milwaukee, WI daughter of the Late Byron and Mildred (Geismar) MacDonald. She graduated from high school in 1943. Patricia attended the University of Wisconsin for two years and graduated from business school in Milwaukee in 1944. She worked for Flood Supply as an accountant and office manager for 31 years, retiring in 1988.

Over the years, Patricia has been extremely active in many church, American Legion Auxiliary, National and Civic organizations. She was a member of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Crystal Falls where she served as a Licensed Lay Reader, Chalice Bearer and Eucharistic Minister. She also served three terms on the Bishop's Committee and Vestry, Treasurer and was an active ECW member. Patricia also served the church at the Diocesan level as Board member, the Search Committee and Western Area Treasurer. She worked in the Christian Book Store as the bookkeeper for twelve years. Patricia has been an active member of the local, district, state and national American Legion Auxiliary since 1964. Locally, she has served on all the committees, as secretary, treasurer and president. At the district level, she served on many committees, as chaplain and district president for two years. At the state level,

she was chairman of numerous committees, historian, chaplain, vice president and president. Nationally, she was chairman of many committees and served as national chaplain. In addition, she served as national executive committeewoman for ten terms, girls state staff member and chairman of the national advisory board. She received the American Legion Auxiliary National Award. Patricia's community was always very important to her. She was never hesitant to give of her time and talents. Patricia was an active and vocal volunteer in many civic organizations. For the City of Crystal Falls, she served seventeen years as a City Commissioner. Also, as a member of the Library board, Hospital board, Bi-Centennial Committee, Committee to re-write the Crystal Falls City Charter, Crystal Falls Tax board and Chairman of the Flag Day Celebration. Additionally, Patricia was president of the Iron County Authority on Aging, past president of the Crystal Falls Kiwanis Club, president of the East Side Senior Citizens Council, member of the Handicap Housing Board, Iron County Chamber of Commerce, board member of Forestland Teaching Home, member of the Greater Crystal Falls Area Council of Arts, past president of the Crystal Falls Musicale, member of Carrie Jacobs Bond Singers, past president of the Upper Peninsula Michigan Federation of Music Clubs, Charter member of the Crystal Manor Aux. and past president, Crystal Falls Hospital Auxiliary, guardian and council member of Job's Daughters, past treasurer of the Iron County Republican Committee, treasurer of the V-J Day Celebration Committee and treasurer of the Reunion Committee for graduating the class of 1943. Patricia was named Crystal Falls Citizen of the Year in 1977. In 1994, she was appointed by Governor Engler to the Physical Therapy Board of the State of Michigan for a three year term. She was then re-appointed and served until 2003. In 1992, she was appointed by President Bush to the Michigan Selective Service Systems Board. Patricia also served as vice president for the Iron County Housing Commission and the Iron County Canvass Board.

In addition to her parents and husband Floyd, Patricia was preceded in death by her daughter, Susan King.

She is survived by her daughter, Robin (Peter) Johnson of Iron Mountain her grandson, Larry (Krista) Johnson and their children, Emma, Justin and Jason;

son in law, Phil (Judy) King and children, Robert, Corey and Dawn King "Special Daughters", Susan (Michael) Youngberg, Cherry Bendick and her daughters, Evelyn and Emily.

Visitation will be from 11:00am-12:00noon Saturday, July 2nd at United Lutheran Church in Crystal Falls.

Memorial services and a celebration of Patricia's life will follow on Saturday, July 2nd at 12:00noon at United Lutheran Church in Crystal Falls

Burial will be in Evergreen Memorial Cemetery.

Memorials may be made in her memory to: St. Mark's Episcopal Church memorial fund in care of Peggy Padilla.

Condolences to the family of Patricia Jewell can be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.net

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

Cemetery Details

Evergreen Memorial Cemetery

311 Logan St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 2. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

United Lutheran Church
506 Superior Ave.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Celebration of Life

JUL 2. 12:00 PM (CT)

United Lutheran Church
506 Superior Ave.
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Graveside Service

JUL 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ *She was such a good friend to my mom. My condolences to the family.*

Paul Sundquist - May 03, 2016 at 09:01 AM

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“ *I would like to take a quick moment to express my sorrow and thoughts to the family of Patricia Jewell. Patricia was a friend of mind through the Iron County Republicans. I was very fortunate to meet her in June 1997 and have been blessed by her kindness and the cards of encouragement that she gave me over the years. I miss her very much.*

As the Jewell family moves forward, I would like everyone to know that my best thoughts and prayers are with the family. May God extend the best of his healing mercies upon this beautiful family.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Erik N Koenig

Erik Koenig - January 12, 2016 at 01:50 PM

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“ *Robin and Larry, I am so proud to have called your mom and grandma my "Aunt Pat." She lived her life with so much energy, optimism and passion for serving others -- I don't know how many of us it would take to make the same impact! She has been an inspiration to many and affected so many lives. My mom and I are revisiting memories and thinking of you and your families --*

Holly Wenzel

Holly Wenzel - December 23, 2015 at 11:31 PM

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“ As a lifelong friend, it was with great sorrow that I heard the news that Patricia had passed. She and I were both members of the Crystal Falls High School Class of 1943, and together we were part of a local group who planned most of our thirteen class reunions, the last one in 2013. As one of the largest classes to graduate from Crystal Falls or Forest Park High Schools, of the 72 members, she was one of 15 remaining. She was treasurer of our reunion committee and told me many times in our later years that she and I would be the last two survivors and we would spend the remaining money at a nice supper club someplace. I can speak for all of our class members when I say that we will miss Patricia and are so very proud of her for her many accomplishments through the years. Rest in peace Patty.

Norb Dishaw - December 14, 2015 at 07:04 PM