



Patricia Lucile Harre

December 6, 1937 - April 14, 2021

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Cemetery Details

Cremated remains to family.

Tribute Wall



“ My Friend Pat

When I think about Pat, I immediately think pipe organ. She loved playing the organ. The organ took a lot of coordination to play, you have four manuals, a foot pedal for dynamics and a foot keyboard for bass notes. You had to manage all these keyboards with 2 arms and 2 legs. Then there were the settings of the pistons which changed the different pipe combinations. Amazingly she was in command of all this.

Pat loved church music and playing the organ for many different churches and denominations. Most recently she played services at the Temple of Christianity in Oakland. She also played at the Piedmont Christian Science Church, three different Oakland Christian Science Churches, San Francisco Christian Science Church, Resurrection Lutheran Church in Oakland, St. Stephen's Episcopalian Church in Orinda, All Saints Episcopalian Church in San Leandro. All Saints Episcopalian Church in Carmel, and Saint Paul's Retirement Home in Oakland. These were just a few places where she was engaged, and I had an opportunity to see and hear her play.

Pat was well qualified in many professions. She had degrees in Music, English as a second language, Legal Secretarial Training, Training in Administration, and a California Teaching Credential. She had many interesting jobs. She was Dean of the Oakland School of Law and worked as a legal secretary and assistant in the offices of Murray Pedersen. She taught in many East Bay Public School Districts. She was an accompanist for the Norwegian Club Chorus in Oakland. She accompanied them to Washington State for the gathering of all the Norwegian Clubs in the West. She loved their yearly celebrations and potlucks and invited me several times to attend.

Pat also loved the San Francisco Opera. She came to many performances and my final performance with the opera in December

of 2018. She was a truly supportive person, and I appreciated her enthusiasm for an art I love and spent my life cultivating.

Most of Pat's dear friends would also tell you about Pat's appreciation for nicely tailored clothes and a well put together appearance. If you were going someplace special, she immediately wanted to know what you planned to be wearing. She always took time to care for her appearance and looked well put together with nice makeup, haircuts, and clothes. Greg on Grand Avenue was a master at hair and Pat supported his shop for years.

I particularly enjoyed accompanying Pat on trips to museums, outings at the Senior Center, and various other expositions and classes. She always had a eye out for something interesting and novel. I appreciated her willingness to investigate these. We often went together to these events with a bag lunch and money for a coffee. Pat loved coffee. In the bag lunch, Pat would often bring a homemade cookie which she would share. She loved to bake and also brought these to share at church.

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