



## Patricia Ann De Fries

October 29, 1954 - May 12, 2016

Patricia "Patti" Ann DeFries, age 61, of DeMotte, IN passed away Thursday, May 12, 2016. She was born October 29, 1954 in Valparaiso, IN to George W. and Nellie M. (White) Billings, both deceased.

On June 17, 1972 she married Brian DeFries, who survives. She was a graduate of Hebron High School and a licensed cosmetologist. She was a member of Grace Fellowship Church in DeMotte, IN. Patti was a master gardener.

Patti is survived by her loving husband, Brian DeFries, Children; Jennifer DeFries-Birch, Fair Oaks, IN, Brian K.G.(Jennifer Fredericks) DeFries, Gary, IN, and Angela (Douglas) Stamper, Roselawn, IN. Grandchildren, Douglas M. & Brandon J. Stamper and Donelle R., Audrey N., & Bryce D. Birch. Brothers, Tom (Karen) Billings, Chesterton, IN, David (Christine) Billings, Boone Grove, IN, and Sister, Peggy Balch, DeMotte, IN.

Preceded in death by her parents.

Visitation will be held Monday, May 16, 2016 from 10am-2pm with a funeral service at 2pm at Community Christian Reformed Church in Roselawn, IN with Pastor Tim Hester officiating. Internment at Roselawn Cemetery immediately following.

# Cemetery Details

## Roselawn Cemetery

Roselawn Cemetery  
Roselawn, IN 46372

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 16.** 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Community Christian Reformed Church  
10498 N 450 E  
DeMotte, IN 46310  
(219) 345-3388  
<http://www.communitychurchroselawn.com>

## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of Patricia Ann De Fries*



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**Jackson Funeral Chapels** - May 14, 2016 at 01:47 PM

PR

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family at this difficult time. May God grant you peace and strength. I remember Patti fondly from the days when the kids attended Lincoln Elem.*  
*Pat & Oscar Reyes*

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**pat reyes** - May 17, 2016 at 03:57 PM

MC

“ *Dear Brian and family, I do not even have the words to tell you how saddened I am for you. I am so, so sorry you have to go through this grief. I will be praying for you all during these next few days and for the future without Patti. Sending love from Missouri.*

*Marsha Coleman*

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**Marsha Coleman** - May 16, 2016 at 09:37 AM

TC

“ *Patti and Brian were neighbors when we first moved to DeMotte. I used to babysit for their kids. She was such a sweet lady. My thoughts and prayers are with Brian and her entire family. God rest her soul.*

*Tricia Cockrell*

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**Tricia Cockrell** - May 16, 2016 at 09:14 AM

CK

*Dear Brian and family,  
I am so very sorry for your loss of lovely Patti. I remember getting to know her especially at ladies Bible class at Living Stones. Such a gentle, kind, sweet woman of God. My thoughts and prayers for God's comfort, peace & strength go out to all of you. God is the strength of your hearts.*

*Sincerely,  
Cheryl Klingberg*

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**Cheryl Klingberg** - May 17, 2016 at 08:17 AM

EA

*I am very sorry to hear about Patti..we have been neighbors for a long time..Thought & prayers are with the family at this difficult time..*

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**Elaine (Boezeman) Anderson** - May 17, 2016 at 01:12 PM

RP

“ *I was so shocked to hear of Patti's passing. She use to come to my mom's house to do her hair for her. She will be missed by so many. May the memories you have of her help you through this difficult time.*

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**Robin Price** - May 16, 2016 at 07:54 AM

SK

“ To Brian and the entire family,

*Words will never be able describe what a great person Patty was.  
She was such a blessing to be around. We will miss her dearly.  
We are lifting all of you up in our thoughts and prayers.*

*With lots of love,  
Tim & Sandy Krivickas  
And  
Jim & Erma Ewigleben & family*

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**Sandy Krivickas** - May 15, 2016 at 10:15 PM

VW

“ I met Patty when I was in Kindergarten, her son Brian was my little friend and I'd go to their house to play. Many years later I became her neighbor, then started seeing her husband Brian picking up steel from my work. She always had a smile on her face and a kind word to say. She will be missed deeply by so many. I am so sorry for the pain you feel. I wish I had magic words to say to lessen that pain, but I do not. Rely on your faith as Patty would want you to and keep reminding yourselves she is with our Heavenly Father now, everything she sees, smells, touches is beyond beautiful and perfect. She will never leave you, she will forever be in your hearts and you will forever keep her Spirit alive by telling her life stories and reflecting on them. She loved her family and friends so fiercely and so pure, the most beautiful kind of love, unconditional. I am so sorry we will miss her services, I just had a spine surgery. But I will be thinking about her wonderful smile and the family. To Brian, we are just down the street, please if there is anything we can help you with, do not hesitate to ask.  
God Bless you, God be with you in your time of pain and mourning, let him comfort you in knowing that he now has Patty in his home and he is now protecting her and keeping her soul at ease until you are all reunited.  
Veronica (Montgomery) Williams

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Veronica Williams - May 15, 2016 at 09:25 PM

JK

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers...may you each feel the presence of the Lord during this time and in the days to come. May He be your strength and the lifter of the your head, may His Peace fill you, and those places that are now empty with Patty's passing...we look forward to the day where we'll all be together, forever, with Jesus.  
In the mean time continue to keep her memory alive in each of you.  
Tim & Julie Kesler

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Julie Kesler - May 15, 2016 at 06:56 PM

AK

“ Aunt Carolyn, Vernon, April and Kaydence purchased the Spring Has Sprung Mixed Basket for the family of Patricia Ann De Fries.



Aunt Carolyn, Vernon, April and Kaydence - May 15, 2016 at 12:24 PM



“ Secret Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Patricia Ann De Fries.



May 15, 2016 at 11:59 AM

JB

“ So saddened when I heard the news. Prayers for your family during this difficult time and the difficult days ahead. God Bless you

Jennifer Boyd - May 15, 2016 at 09:51 AM

SS

“ Brian and family. We are so very shocked and saddened by the tragic loss of Patti. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Sandy and Anna Sandos - May 15, 2016 at 08:54 AM

TC

“ Our deepest sympathy to Patty's family. We were neighbors in Roselawn. Patty was a very sweet person with a beautiful smile. Prayers for God's peace. Jeff and Teresa Coleman

Teresa Coleman - May 15, 2016 at 12:23 AM

CC

“ Dear Friends,

*So hard to take this all in. We are praying for the Lord's love to engulf you and His Grace to uphold you through this sad time. We will grieve with as we will miss this sweet friend.*

*Love and hugs,  
Craig and Kathy Collins*

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**Craig and Kathy Collins** - May 14, 2016 at 09:55 PM



“ So Sorry for your loss. You're in our thoughts and prayers.  
Dave and Jumoke Phillips

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**Dave Phillips** - May 14, 2016 at 09:16 PM

MK

“ my prayers and love to all my family. so very sorry for your loss.  
(cousin in ohio) michelle kanchok

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**michelle kanchok** - May 14, 2016 at 09:10 PM

TF

“ Patty and Brian were our neighbors when our kids were little. She was the best. My heart is broken.  
Terri and Dave Forehand

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**Terri and Dave Forehand** - May 14, 2016 at 08:20 PM



“ 60 files added to the album Life Tributes



Jackson Funeral Chapels - May 14, 2016 at 01:31 PM

AF

“ Anthony Czaja & Marsha Felyk purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Patricia Ann De Fries.



Anthony Czaja & Marsha Felyk - May 14, 2016 at 01:10 PM

ME

“ So sorry for your loss.....your family will be in our prayers.



melinda - May 14, 2016 at 12:00 PM

CS

I am so sorry for your loss..Patti was a wonderful person and will be missed deeply..prayers of strength..Christine vukovich

christine shaw - May 14, 2016 at 12:29 PM



“ 1 file added to the album *Life Tributes*



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**Jackson Funeral Chapels** - May 14, 2016 at 11:58 AM



“ Garden Accent Stone - "*Wherever a Beautiful Soul...*" was purchased for the family of Patricia Ann De Fries.



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May 14, 2016 at 11:57 AM



“ Aunt Betty, Michele, Kimmy, Jeff, & Families purchased the *Enchanted Cottage* for the family of Patricia Ann De Fries.



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**Aunt Betty, Michele, Kimmy, Jeff, & Families** - May 14, 2016 at 11:15 AM



“ All your DeFries brothers and Sisters purchased the *Ocean Breeze Spray* for the family of Patricia Ann De Fries.



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**All your DeFries brothers and Sisters** - May 14, 2016 at 09:26 AM

MA

“ Margaret Ault lit a candle in memory of Patricia Ann De Fries



margaret ault - May 14, 2016 at 07:53 AM

MA

Was classmates for awhile. Prayers for all her loved ones 🙏

margaret ault - May 14, 2016 at 07:56 AM

LK

“ sorry for your loss. she was an awesome lady.



linda kinney - May 14, 2016 at 07:50 AM



“ So sorry for your loss. I am a fellow classmate of Patti's. Went to school with her from 1st grade thru 12th grade when we graduated in 1972. May Jesus wrap his loving arms around your family and comfort you thru this difficult time. You are all in my prayers.



Alberta Havengar Krueger - May 13, 2016 at 10:25 PM



“ *Julie James-McCrory lit a candle in memory of Patricia Ann De Fries*



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**Julie James-McCrory** - May 13, 2016 at 10:07 PM



“ *Peggy Olive lit a candle in memory of Patricia Ann De Fries*



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**Peggy Olive** - May 13, 2016 at 09:21 PM



“ *Stacy Sayers Waling lit a candle in memory of Patricia Ann De Fries*



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**stacy sayers waling** - May 13, 2016 at 08:01 PM