



Patricia Costelloe Schaefer

May 7, 1929 - September 11, 2008

Patricia Costelloe Schaefer, 79, of Annapolis, MD, formerly of Waldorf, MD, passed away at her daughter's residence in Lothian, MD, on Thursday, September 11, 2008. Mrs. Schaefer was born in Brooklyn, New York, on May 7, 1929, and was the daughter of the late William Maurice Costelloe and Agnes (Hammer) Kennedy. Her husband, Donald Francis Schaefer, preceded her in death after 48 years of marriage, in March of 2000.

Patricia retired from the Department of Veterans Affairs after 24 years of service. She received numerous awards for her outstanding service and many years of volunteerism. After retirement, she enjoyed working part-time for Candy Kitchen in Ocean City, MD. Upon moving to Annapolis, in July 2004, she worked part-time at Hallmark in the Annapolis Mall. She was a Girl Scout troop leader for her daughters and granddaughters, staying active within the organization for more than 30 years.

She is survived by her daughters, Donna Schaefer Gregg married to Danny C. Gregg of Lothian, MD, and Barbara Schaefer Lanza married to Alfred J. Lanza of North Salem, NY; her granddaughters Danielle Gregg Swetz married to A. Christopher Swetz of Elkridge, MD, Kristin N. Gregg of Annapolis, MD, Carolyn M. Gregg of Annapolis, MD and Kathryn E. Lanza of North Salem, NY; and one great-granddaughter, Madasin N. Gregg of Annapolis, MD.

Friends will be received at Fellows, Helfenbein and Newnam Cremation and Funeral Care, P.A., 814 Bestgate Road, Annapolis, MD, 21401 on Wednesday, September 17, 2008 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. John Neumann Catholic Church, 620 North Bestgate Road, Annapolis, MD, 21401 on Thursday, September 18, 2008 at 1 p.m. Interment will be at Cheltenham Veterans Cemetery in Cheltenham, MD. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of the Chesapeake, 445 Defense Highway, Annapolis, MD, 21401.

Online condolences may be made at www.fhnfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Service

SEP **18**. 1:00 PM (ET)

St. John Neumann Catholic Church
620 N. Bestgate Road
Annapolis, MD

Tribute Wall



“ *Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Patricia Costelloe Schaefer* ”



Fellows, Helfenbein & Newnam Funeral Home - September 11, 2008 at 12:00 AM



“ *Patricia Costelloe Schaefer* ”

October 26, 2023 at 06:42 PM



“ *Patricia Costelloe Schaefer* ”

January 28, 2023 at 12:44 PM



“ *Patricia Costelloe Schaefer* ”

January 28, 2023 at 08:03 AM



“ Dear Donna and Barbara

I remember:

Girls Scouts – learning to sew in your dining room; singing “I have a favorite Auntie”. It was because of your mother that I was a Girl Scout leader for 13 years.

Our parents laughing together; your father was always cooking; your father’s work shirt with Budweiser on one side and Schaefer on the other.

Your mother’s perfect penmanship; her ready smile – still glowing when I saw her in the Hallmark store last year, after almost 40 years of absence!

I can truly say that her influence on me has been lasting.

They were good years – cherish the memories - Beth###imported-begin##Beth Green Shutts###imported-end##

September 21, 2008 at 09:39 AM



“ Dearest Barbara and Donna You are in my thoughts and prayers..I

will always remember your mom as a great mother and neighbor and an even better 'room mother' at Mt. Calvary, she cared deeply about you and made your friends feel special too I loved her for that . I know the void you will feel but I also know that you were blessed to have such devoted parents,they were special.Be strong.Love Always,Linda Casey###imported-begin##Linda Casey###imported-end##

September 18, 2008 at 09:04 AM



“ My deepest sympathy to the family of Patricia Schaefer. I enjoying talking with my former neighbor and her little dog. She will be missed.

Mary Hixson
from 203 Warners Terrace###imported-begin##Mary
Hixson###imported-end##

September 17, 2008 at 05:19 PM



“ I was lucky enough to be one of the many Girl Scouts whose life was touched by Mrs. Schaefer. She was so dedicated to her girls and many of learned valuable life lessons thanks to her - not leasod of which is "be prepared".

I am sure the girls and her family will miss her, Janet###imported-
begin##Janet Tippett Absher###imported-end##

September 17, 2008 at 01:03 PM



“ The staff of the PACU in the Westchester Medical Center wish to extend their deepest sympathies to the Family of Patricia Costelloe Schaefer, especially to our colleague Barbara Lanza, the daughter of Patricia Costelloe Schaefer.

Barbara always spoke with great respect and love for her Mother, we know she will miss her very much. The Family will be in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time.###imported-
begin##Roseanne Neudeck, Nurse Manager PACU Westchester
Medical Center###imported-end##

September 16, 2008 at 12:00 PM



“ Our heartfelt prayers are with you at this sad time. We hope you find some comfort in knowing that your mom is in a wonderful place now, whole and healthy and watching over you with her love.

John 14

Jesus Comforts His Disciples

1"Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. 2 In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. 4 You know the way to the place where I am going."##imported-begin##The Allman Family##imported-end##

September 15, 2008 at 10:45 PM



“ Donna, Danny, and girls,

I had the pleasured of knowing Mrs. Schaefer for the past 5 years.

She was so full of life, moxy, and attitude that it hard to comprehend that she is no longer here, amazing me with all of her energy.

Donna, you gave your mom the best gift ever, and take comfort that she is no longer suffering. She is in the best of company now, and

we all know that she is giving everyone an earful. You now have

time to exhale. Take comfort in your family and friends. I will be right

there with you. Love, Teresa##imported-begin##Teresa

Ashburn##imported-end##

September 15, 2008 at 09:45 PM



“ My deepest condolences go out to everyone touched by Patricia (Granny) Schaefer.

Granny would take me into her home several summers so I could enjoy a trip to Ocean City with my best friend, Kathryn. She always treated me the way that she would treat any of her Grandchildren, and I loved her for that. I will always remember and cherish summer vacation trips to Maryland, which started out as trips to the beach and became much-anticipated trips to see Granny. I have a suncatcher in my car, a recent gift from her, and it's brilliant, rainbow rays will always remind me of the beautiful, cheerful person Granny was.

Patricia Schaefer will always have a place in my heart, as so many of us did in hers. God bless.##imported-begin##Sarah Bassett##imported-end##

September 15, 2008 at 08:04 PM



“ My most heartfelt sympathy goes out to Donna & Barb. Mrs Schaefer was also known as "Granny" to my daughter Sarah, wo is also deeply saddened by your loss. Your Mother was such a deep influence to all the people that she knew & met. Know that she will be missed by all who knew her & her "spirit" will live on through those she touched.##imported-begin##Barbara Bassett##imported-end##

September 15, 2008 at 06:42 PM



“ At a time like this, words, sometimes, seem inadequate. May GOD's embrace keep you and your family during your times of sorrow. While her earthly body may be gone, and you miss her dearly, I hope you can find solace knowing that her spirit soars with the Angels!##imported-begin##Sharon C. Mc Innis##imported-end##

September 15, 2008 at 02:30 PM



“ *Having lost my own father to cancer last year, I know how hard it is on those who are left behind to grieve. It might help to think of it this way--As you begged your Mom to hold on and fight, the comforting plea from your Dad was too hard to ignore. Know that they are together again....##imported-begin##Susan Nealey##imported-end##*

September 15, 2008 at 10:06 AM



“ *Although I am unable to attend the viewing or burial service of Pat Schaefer, I want to express my deepest sympathy to all the members of her family. My mother was Eva Darmstead; and the Darmstead and Schaefer families have been associated through marriage for more than 70 years. My uncle Bill Darmstead married Katherine Schaefer. Pat, of course, married Donnie Schaefer who was Aunt Kitty's brother. Pat was one of the kindest human beings I had the privilege of knowing. She visited my grandmother's house many times, and all our family had fond memories of Pat. My Aunt Emily and Pat's mother were great friends. Pat will be sorely missed by all who knew her.*

Sincerely,

Tad Free##imported-begin##Charles M. Free, Jr. (Tad)##imported-end##

September 14, 2008 at 11:25 PM