



Dr. Patricia (Pat). G. Boyer

March 6, 2021

Dr. Patricia (Pat) G. Boyer departed this life on March 6, 2021 at the age of 63. She was a native of New Orleans, Louisiana, but resided in Black Jack, Missouri for 21 years where she was an Associate Professor at the University of Missouri-St. Louis (UMSL) and a member of the Grow 2 Go Christian Center in St. Louis, Missouri.

Pat graduated from McDonough #35 High School and earned a B.S. degree in Chemistry from Xavier University of Louisiana in New Orleans. She received a M.A. degree in College Student Personnel Services from the University of Northern Iowa and a Ph.D. in Educational Leadership and Policy Analysis from the University of Missouri-Columbia. Pat began her academic career at UMSL in 1999 in the Department of Adult and Higher Education in the College of Education. She was an exceptional scholar and educator. She had dual research focuses on faculty and student issues with the goal of improving their well-being and level of productivity. Beyond her scholarly contributions Pat had a profound impact on legions of students during her career. Many of them spoke of how she transformed their lives with her supportive mentoring style that also demanded academic excellence. As noted by Dean Ann Taylor, "It is these students who remain the living legacy of Pat's scholarly devotion to their growth". Personally, Pat was "the rock" of our family. She had a unique and special relationship with each and every family member, but it was her nieces, nephews and great nieces and nephews who were a major source of her pride and joy. Pat adored and loved each of them

unconditionally.

Pat was the daughter of Dorothy and Francis Boyer, Sr. who preceded her in death. She was also preceded in death by sister Carolyn Dade. She leaves to cherish her memory her siblings Francis, Gloria Cherrie, Michael and Glen Boyer, Barbara Williams, Shirley Nolan, Linda Jordan, Janice Walthour, Jacqueline Beard, and sisters-in-law Deborah and Joyce Boyer. She is also survived by a host of loving nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, other relatives, friends, and colleagues.

Relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend a Funeral Mass of Christian Burial at St. Raymond and St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, 2916 Paris Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana on Saturday, March 20, 2021 at 10:00 am. Visitation and Tributes will begin at 9:00 am with Father Stanley K. Ihuoma, SSJ, Celebrant. Interment will be at Mount Olivet Cemetery and Mausoleum, 4000 Norman Mayer Avenue, New Orleans, Louisiana, 70122.

As mandated by the State of Louisiana due to the COVID-19 pandemic, attendance is limited. Everyone is required to adhere to all restrictions. You must wear a face mask at all times and practice social distancing.

Arrangements are by D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 3933 Washington Avenue. Please visit www.rhodesfuneral.com to sign the online guestbook and to share memories and condolences for the family.

Cemetery Details

Mt. Olivet Cemetery

4000 Norman Mayer Ave.
New Orleans, LA 70122

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 20. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Leo/St Raymond Catholic Church
2916 Paris Ave
New Orleans, LA 70119
(504) 945-8750

Service

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Tribute Wall

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“ I was shocked to learn of Pat's death. I was in grad school with Pat at the University of Missouri. She was the rock of our small cohort of Black grad students in the Educational & Leadership Policy doctoral program. She was the one who always provided support and encouragement to get us through the program. She will be missed but know that she will always be watching over us.

My sincere condolences to the family.

Ron Kelley

Ron Kelley - April 08, 2021 at 01:10 PM

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“ Rest In Peace Cousin Pat! My prayers and condolences to all of the family. ❤️✝️🙏

Theresa Rhea, Calumet Park, IL

Theresa Rhea - March 16, 2021 at 12:19 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Dr. Patricia (Pat). G. Boyer.



March 16, 2021 at 12:17 AM

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“ *Condolences to the Boyer family on the loss of a special lady, sister, friend, cousin, and outstanding educator, Pat Boyer. Our prayers are with the family during this difficult time.*

Love,

Cousin Miriam, Theresa, Josephine and Albertine and the entire Rhea/Graham family

Miriam Graham - March 15, 2021 at 11:30 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Dr. Patricia (Pat). G. Boyer.*



March 15, 2021 at 04:33 PM

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“ *With sincere condolences to the entire family. May the memories that you cherish of dear Patricia sustain you during this sad time. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Yvonne Rafferty*

Yvonne Rafferty - March 15, 2021 at 02:16 PM