

My First Christmas in Heaven

I see the countless Christmas trees
Around the world below,
With tiny lights, like heaven's stars,
Reflecting on the snow.

The sight is so spectacular,
Please wipe away that tear.
For I'm spending Christmas
With Jesus Christ this year.

I hear the many Christmas songs,
That people hold so dear,
But the sounds of music can't compare,
With the Christmas choir up here.

For I have no words to tell you,
The joy their voices bring.
For it is beyond description,
To hear an angel sing.

I can't tell you of the splendor,
Or the peace here in this place.
Can you just imagine Christmas,
With our Savior, face to face?

I'll ask Him to light your spirit,
As I tell Him of your love;
So then pray for one another,
As you lift your eyes above.

Please let your heart be joyful,
And let your spirit sing.
For I'm spending Christmas in Heaven,
And I'm walking with the King!

I know how much you miss me;
I see the pain inside your heart.
But I'm not so far away,
We really aren't apart.

So be happy for me, dear ones,
You know I hold you, dear,
And be glad I'm spending Christmas
With Jesus Christ this year

In Loving Memory



Pat Ruhl

Remembering the life of...

Pat was born April 5th 1933 in Liverpool, England to Irene Daisy (Davies) Beswick and Harry Beswick. She passed from this life, December 7th, 2023 into God's Kingdom to be welcomed by her loving family members who proceeded her.

Pat grew up in Liverpool, England during WWII. She would tell stories of how they would have to run to the bomb shelter when the sirens sounded. As a young child, Pat would stand in line to get bread for her mother as it was rationed during the war. The children would kick a ball around in the back yard for entertainment and no one was better than anyone else. Occasionally she would ride the Trolley to get to places. When she was a little older, she started working in a garment factory in Liverpool and would walk to work with her father as he worked at the docks. She would say, in her English accent, "We always had to look perfect when we went to work and could never be late."

Pat left England for a new adventure in the United States. She ended up in Fergus Falls, MN. She worked for the Woolworths store where she met and married Wayne Ruhl on March 28th, 1958. She also lived in LaCrosse, Wisconsin, Davenport, Iowa, Montevideo, MN, and Devils Lake, ND where they raised their three children, Susan, Gary and Lorene.

She enjoyed her life in Devils Lake working on different projects with her friend Keta. She also enjoyed her many friends, campfires and cooking fish at their Lake place and making sure Gary got to Hockey practice. After 17 years in Devils Lake, ND they moved to Rochester, MN in 1979 where they resided until ill health became a factor. They would continue to return to their lake place in Devils Lake in the summer and fall. In Rochester Pat would help her husband at times in the store and babysit during the day.

Pat loved Christmas time where she and a friend would decorate one of many rooms at the Mayo Manor in Rochester so people could tour it. At home she would put up all of her Santa's, and fill the house with garland and Christmas ornaments and then enjoying sitting by the blazing fireplace with a cup of tea.

Pat and Wayne moved to Twin Town Villa in Breckenridge MN in 2019 and a short time later she moved to CHI St Francis LTC Nursing Home where she received loving care until her death.

She is proceeded in death by her parents, husband, daughter Susan, and a brother. She is survived by her son Gary (Susan) Ruhl, Fairmount, ND, daughter Lorene Ruhl, Minot, ND and son-in-law Edward Langstaff, St. Michael, ND, and many grandchildren, great-grandchildren and great-great grandchildren.

Celebrating The Life Of Irene Patricia Ruhl

HER BIRTH

*Wednesday, April 5, 1933
Liverpool, England*

HER DEATH

*Thursday, December 7, 2023
Breckenridge, Minnesota*

OFFICIATING

*Reverend Lori Pankratz
St. Olaf Lutheran Church*



FUNERAL SERVICE

*Gilbertson Funeral Home Chapel
Devils Lake, North Dakota
Friday, December 15, 2023 ~ 1:00 p.m.*

SPECIAL MUSIC

*Special Recordings chosen by the family
"Breath of Heaven" by Amy Grant
"In The Garden" by Alan Jackson
"Song of Farewell for You" by Michael Poirier*

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

Relatives and Friends of Pat

EARTHLY PLACE OF REST

*Devils Lake Cemetery
Devils Lake, North Dakota
At a later date*