



## Patricia (Pat) Sparks

November 18, 1940 - May 29, 2023

Bessie Patricia (Pat) Sparks, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, passed away peacefully at her home with devoted family at her bedside on May 29, 2023. Pat was born November 18, 1940 in Terrell and as she closed her eyes on earth and opened them in Heaven, she was gladly welcomed by her Savior, and her mother, Pauline McDaniel Murphy; father, Kenneth McDaniel; stepfather, Tommy Murphy; brother-in-law, Bill Marshall; sister-in-law, Mary Raines Ledbetter and grandson, Coby Wayne Bostick.

Pat was a longtime resident of Terrell having been born at her home on Park St. She began working at an early age stocking beverages at a restaurant in Houston and then working as a nurse at Houston Methodist Hospital. She returned home to Terrell where she worked at Alexander Hospital and Colonial Hospital where she worked in the hospital nursery with the newborns. At one time, she had 13 infants in her care and she gladly cared for each baby as if they were her very own. Pat loved people and the stories that they shared with her. Her personality and gift for hospitality led her to also work as a food server at the Anderson Hotel in downtown Terrell and also at the Char-Bar and Terry's, two other well known local eateries in Terrell. Pat married the love of her life, Raymond, on July 31, 1970 in Dallas and they were truly inseparable. After their wedding, Pat received her beautician's license and worked as a hair dresser at Mrs. Davis' Salon and, later, Lavender Beauty Salon. Raymond, and many others, said this was the perfect fit for Pat in that she loved helping others feel beautiful and she loved visiting! Pat was a

devoted wife and dedicated mother. Being the wife of a Garland Fireman was something she took seriously and her tireless support of Raymond in taking care of their family and their home was one of the hallmarks of Pat's character. She was a faithful and active member of First Christian Church in Terrell for over 50 years where the ministries she helped with were as dear to her as the friendships she made there in her life. Pat also loved time spent outdoors with family and friends while they all hunted and fished and made wonderful and long-lasting memories. Everyone had a welcome invitation to her home and the first thing that would be noticed upon their arrival was Pat's welcoming smile and then, her gorgeous flowers all around the house that she planted and cared for. A woman whose beauty was equally matched by her beautiful heart; Pat will be always missed but never forgotten.

Her memory will forever be cherished by her husband of 52 years, Raymond Sparks, of Terrell; two sons, Pat Wayne Bostick of Terrell and Thomas Fredrick Sparks and wife, Jenifer, of Richland Chambers Lake, TX; sister, Evelyn O'Lexy and husband, Ernest, of Bremond, TX; granddaughters: Heather McCutchen and husband, Joseph, Tiffany Pol and husband Justin, Brittany Donhauser and husband, Darren, Kelsey Bostick, and grandson Michael Bostick; great grandchildren: Hannah Dickey, Blake Dickey, Hynlee Dickey, J.J. McCutchen, Caden McCutchen, Aleena Pol, Celenia Pol, Zion Pol, Lorenzo Pol, Lyla Donhauser, and Tate Donhauser, Leah Bostick, Lily Bostick and Isaiah Bostick, and ; sisters-in-law: Patsy Marshall and Janette Simons and husband, Bobby; brother-in-law, David Ledbetter and wife, Jennifer; step-brother, Kenneth Onslee McDaniel of Pasadena; as well as her dear friend, June Breazeale of Jasper, GA along with other extended relatives, her church family and a host of friends.

Funeral service will be at 2:00pm, Thursday, June 8, 2023 at Max Slayton Funeral Chapel with interment to follow at Ables Springs Cemetery. Her family will receive friends beginning at 1:00pm to service time. For those wishing, memorials may be made to First Christian Church, 405 N. Adelaide, Terrell, TX, 75160



# Cemetery Details

## Ables Springs Cemetery

Terrell, TX 75161

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 8. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Max Slayton Funeral Chapel  
642 N. Rockwall Ave.  
Terrell, TX 75160

## Funeral Service

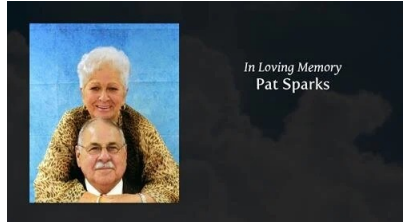
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Max Slayton Funerals and Cremations created a Tribute Video in memory of Patricia (Pat) Sparks*



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**Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations** - June 12, 2023 at 11:44 AM



“ *Patricia (Pat) Sparks*

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October 08, 2023 at 07:43 PM



“ *Brent, Allison, and The Keys Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Patricia (Pat) Sparks.*



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**Brent, Allison, and The Keys Family** - June 08, 2023 at 11:02 AM



“ *I have so many sweet memories of my friend Pat. I loved her sassy and funny personality! We enjoyed many nights sitting on her front porch sharing stories with each other. I will miss you ❤️ Melodie Harris*

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**Melodie Harris** - June 08, 2023 at 02:26 AM



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



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June 07, 2023 at 04:57 PM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Patricia (Pat) Sparks.



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June 06, 2023 at 10:39 AM



“ *Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Patricia (Pat) Sparks.



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June 05, 2023 at 06:00 PM



“ 92 files added to the album *Memories Album*



Max Slayton Funerals & Cremations - June 05, 2023 at 12:29 PM

MB

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Mark Byrd - June 02, 2023 at 04:25 PM

YF

“ Your BFTS Museum Family purchased the *Pink T* tribute Spray for the family of *Patricia (Pat) Sparks*.



Your BFTS Museum Family - June 02, 2023 at 01:17 PM

YF

“ Your BFTS Museum Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Patricia (Pat) Sparks.

Your BFTS Museum Family - June 02, 2023 at 01:17 PM

MB

“ Raymond, my thoughts and prayers are with you in this time of grief.  
Mary Barganier

Mary Barganier - June 01, 2023 at 07:43 PM

LB

“ Raymond, I am so sorry for your loss, I'll be thinking of you and all of Pat's family during this difficult time. My thoughts and prayers will be with y'all in the coming days, she was a beautiful lady and I know she will be missed by so many. Linda Baker Bankston

Linda Bankston - June 01, 2023 at 11:35 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Patricia (Pat) Sparks.



May 31, 2023 at 06:44 PM



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“ Tammy (Bostick) Edwards lit a candle in memory of Patricia (Pat) Sparks



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**Tammy (Bostick) Edwards** - May 31, 2023 at 06:04 PM

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**Tammy Edwards** - May 31, 2023 at 06:03 PM

MB

“ Margaret Briggs purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Patricia (Pat) Sparks.



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**Margaret Briggs** - May 31, 2023 at 03:31 PM



“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Patricia (Pat) Sparks.



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May 31, 2023 at 11:15 AM

LC

“ Pat and I have been friends for so many years. I think we were about 7 or 8 years old when we met. We are both 83 now, so its been a forever friendship. She was like a sister to me. Over the years we have visited and talked on the phone a lot. If prayers would have kept her here, she would still be here. I know you were very tired, so you are resting. She wasn't one to sit, so tomorrow she will be flying with the Angels. You hate to lose people you love, but sometimes they need to be in heaven with their loved ones gone on before them. Pat, I've loved you for so many years, its hard to let go. I know you didn't want to let go. So now, rest and I will remember you always. Your friend, Laura

Laura Campagna - May 30, 2023 at 02:20 PM

EK

Praying for your family.

Elaine Kasper - May 31, 2023 at 11:06 PM

PS

“ Oh my, I'm so saddened to hear of Pat's passing. She was a good friend and neighbor in my younger years. My heartfelt condolences go out to Pat Wayne and Raymond. You are in my prayers.



Pam Sitzes - May 30, 2023 at 10:45 AM

CP

“ I will miss our visits, talks & wonderful hugs so much. I will still talk to you & I know you will hear me my friend, I'll never forget you Pat. Sleep with the Angels my friend. 🙏💕💕



Cynthia & Joe Parnell - May 29, 2023 at 11:12 PM