



## Patricia A. "Pat" Tokarz

July 21, 1941 - October 11, 2023

Patricia Ann "Pat" Tokarz, 82, of Lorain, died Wednesday October 11, 2023 at Keystone Pointe in LaGrange after a battle with Parkinsons Disease.

Pat was born July 21, 1941 in Lorain and had been a lifelong Lorain resident. She graduated from Lorain High School.

She served as a Captain and Triage Nurse in the US Air Force helicopter rescue unit participating in the Tet Offensive amongst others during the Vietnam War. After her tours, she became a Lieutenant in the Nurses Reserve (Nurse Corps). She continued her education earning several degrees at Ohio State and Kent State Universities.

Pat's work career spanned many medical facilities throughout Northeast Ohio. She was involved in many causes and a member of many organizations in the community. She was an animal lover and supported many rescues. Pat devoted her life to her church Holy Trinity Catholic Church until it's closing and then became a member of Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church in Lorain. She was a member of the Holy Trinity Holy Name Society and Rosary Society, American Legion # 30 of Lorain and American Legion # 12 of Elyria.

She is survived by her cousins Susan Beaudin (Jeff), Robin Gordon (Ken),

Janice "Pookie" Mariner (William), who were caretakers over the years; second cousins Jessica, Christina, Stacey, Matt & Melanie; her pride and joy MaKayla Drwal (Jace) and MaKenzie Kesterson whom she considered herself to be their honorary "Aunt". She will be deeply missed by her family and friends especially her dearest longtime friend Pam Black. She was preceded in death by her parents Stanley & Mary Tokarz (nee Hladek) and brother Stanley J. Tokarz in 2006.

The family will receive friends Sunday October 15, 2023 from 5:00-7:00 pm at the Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel, 3224 Broadway, Lorain where the Nativity BVM Rosary Society will recite the rosary prayer Sunday at 4:30 pm. The mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday October 16, 2023 at 9:30 am at Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church, 418 W 15th St., Lorain. The Rev Craig Hovanec, pastor, will preside. (please meet at the church) Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery in Lorain where AMVETS Post #32 of Elyria will conduct military honors.

The family would like to thank the staff at Keystone Pointe who went above and beyond with the care shown to Pat.

Memorial contributions can be made to the ASPCA at [www.aspca.org/donate](http://www.aspca.org/donate)

# Cemetery Details

## Calvary Cemetery

555 N Ridge Rd  
Lorain, OH 44053  
<https://clecem.org/Cemeteries/CalvaryLorain.aspx>

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **15**. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Gluvna-Shimo-Hromada Funeral Chapel  
3224 Broadway  
Lorain, OH 44055  
(440) 246-2118  
[gluvnashimohromada@gmail.com](mailto:gluvnashimohromada@gmail.com)  
<http://www.gluvnashimohromada.com>

## Funeral Mass

OCT **16**. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (ET)

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Catholic Church  
418 W 15th St  
Lorain, OH 44052  
<https://nativitybvmlorain.org>

# Tribute Wall



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia A. "Pat" Tokarz.



October 13, 2023 at 10:13 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Patricia A. "Pat" Tokarz.

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“ My heart felt condolences to Pat's family-especially my Pookie and Bill--thanks for all you did for her. We were friends for nearly 35 years and I'll miss her dearly. Our favorite thing while working together was to take payday Friday and try new places to eat! RIP my friend-you've earned it-love you! Pam

**Pam Black** - October 12, 2023 at 09:00 PM