



Carolla "Pat" A. Gust

July 10, 1935 - July 6, 2024

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SFDrW8aJvLU>

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Carolla Annetta Marguerite Paul Gust ("Pat") was born in Rib Falls Township, Marathon County Wisconsin on July 10, 1935. She passed away on July 6, 2024 at the Lutheran Home in Wauwatosa.

Growing up on a dairy farm the youngest of 5, she developed a strong work ethic. She attended a one room school where she picked up her passion for playing cards (sheepshead). Some of her earliest memories included her beloved Shetland pony, Betty. She graduated from Edgar High School in 1953 and was employed at Employers Insurance in Wausau for over 10 years until her first child was born in 1965. She married the love of her life, Walter Gust, on August 24, 1963, whom she met through her best friend, Peggy and Peggy's husband and Walter's brother, Red. Upon marriage, they enjoyed attending family weddings of over 60 nieces and nephews, plus their children's weddings and family reunions and gatherings over the next 5 decades.

She loved skiing, bowling with friends, quilting, and attending any activity her grandchildren were participating in. In her later life, when mobility issues slowed her down physically, she enjoyed watching game shows, Wisconsin sports, especially the Milwaukee Brewers, doing word find puzzles, reading

her favorite magazines, and beating Walter at Yahtzee every chance she got. Carolla and Walter had 3 daughters and relocated to Richland Center, Wisconsin to own and operate the Park View Motel from 1972-1994. They had the opportunity to work together and host thousands of travelers some who also became lifelong friends. Upon retirement, "Wally and Pat" continued to travel the world including Australia, New Zealand, Germany, Mexico, Chile, Thailand, numerous cruises, and camping across the USA. Carolla's love for family was at the core of her existence, being happiest around her siblings, daughters, grandchildren and great grandchildren. You could always be sure to find a smile on her face when she was holding a baby or playing cards with loved ones. She served selflessly and devoted her time to taking care of everyone else. For many years, she fried a lot of morel mushrooms, baked countless number of rhubarb and blackberry pies, gardened and canned so many tomatoes and beans, and made all the family meals during holidays.

Carolla was preceded in death by her parents Walter and Alice Paul and Otto and Johanna Gust, her sister, brothers, and in-laws Harold (Hilda) Paul, Norma (Alfred) Schulz, Oscar (Rita) Paul, Merlin (Ruth) Paul, Goldie (John) Stick, Ed (Gertie) Gust, Marge (Larry) Toelle, Bill (Irene) Gust, Joyce (Fritz) Engel, Otto "Red" (Peggy) Gust, Gordy Knutson, Edie (Paul) Achee, Helen (Alvin) Kratzer, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is survived by her husband Walter, daughters Lisa (Mark) Kolpin, Carrie (Todd) Pruet, Amy (Dave Carney) Simonson, grandchildren Nate (Sarah Timmler) Kolpin, Katie Kolpin, Jace (Kelly) Simonson, Jordan (Madison) Simonson, Shiloh (Mathew) Scotting, Savannah (Chase) Johnson, Summer (Paul) Orr, Smith Pruet, and great-grandchildren Jackson and Maisyn Simonson, Coraline Kolpin, and Gideon Scotting. Also survived by sister-in-law Phyllis Knutson.

A celebration of life will be held at Clary Memorial Funeral Home in Richland Center on Sunday, July 14, 2024 with visitation from 10:30 am to noon,

service at noon, and lunch following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Lutheran World Relief or your local food pantry. In addition, Carolla will be remembered during a Sunday service at Five Points Lutheran Church on Sunday, September 8 at 9:30 am. The family is grateful for the many visitors and friends and family who sent Carolla their greetings and well wishes over the years and in her final weeks of life. Special thanks to the dedicated staff of the Lutheran Home where Carolla lived for the past 4 years who treated her with such kindness, respect, and love and to Accentcare Hospice for adding comfort in her final days. www.clarymemorialfuneralhome.com

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

JUL 14. 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

LW

“ *To Pat's family, My deepest sympathy.
Love, hope, peace and prayers,
Louis Williams*

Louis Williams - July 22, 2024 at 01:44 PM

CW

“ *Walt and family. To our great neighbors on James Street. Our thoughts and prayers. The Wontors. Jim and Cheri*

Cheri Wontor - July 12, 2024 at 05:35 PM

CP

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



carrie pruet - July 12, 2024 at 04:52 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Carolla "Pat" A. Gust.*



July 12, 2024 at 04:43 PM

CP

“ 3 files added to the tribute wall



carrie pruet - July 12, 2024 at 10:07 AM

CP

“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



carrie pruet - July 12, 2024 at 10:02 AM

LI

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Lisa - July 12, 2024 at 09:53 AM

WM

“ Dear Walt and family, Our Sympathy in you Loss. Walt and Loretta McCarthy

Walt/Loretta McCarthy - July 11, 2024 at 07:39 AM

AM

“ 2 files added to the album Carolla and Phyllis



Amy - July 10, 2024 at 12:25 PM



“ Aunt Pat always said "You can take the girl out of the farm, but you can't take the farm out of the girl. Very true statement. We love you Aunt Pat.

Wendy Kratzer- Witherspoon - July 09, 2024 at 06:25 PM



“ 155 files added to the album LifeTributes



Clary Memorial Funeral Home - July 09, 2024 at 02:55 PM

BS

“ Sending our sympathies to Walter and the Gust families. I remember my Mom, Marcella Paul Sillars telling me stories of the cousins playing together as kids at the Richard and Hulda Paul farm. We have photos of them as toddlers and adult celebrations over the years. A full life to celebrate!
Vic and Barb Sillars Shier

Barb Shier - July 09, 2024 at 12:29 PM

RD

“ Our deepest condolences to Walter and to the entire Gust family. We enjoyed spending time with them while we lived in Richland Center.
They were a great couple!

Ruby Davis - July 08, 2024 at 10:23 PM

JP

“ Sincere sympathy to the Gust family. Hers was most certainly a full life and one well-done. Congratulations to all of you for having such a wonderful family. Take solace in the memories you all share.

John & Philomena Poole - July 08, 2024 at 03:28 PM

AF

“ Prayers and condolences to the family, thinking of the family during this time of loss. Andy and Marge Freeman



Andy and Marge Freeman - July 08, 2024 at 10:36 AM

SS

“ *Our condolences to Walter and the entire family. What a full life she lived and the great memories she left for her family and friends. Prayers to her family.*

Shirley Steiner - July 07, 2024 at 10:37 PM

MJ

“ *Sending our deepest of sympathy. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. 🙏❤️🙏*

Mindy Jensen - July 07, 2024 at 08:12 PM

VK

“ *One of my favorite memories was the last time we played cards at the nursing home aunt Pat had a smile all the whole we worked Uncle Wally over at sheepshead!! Love you!! Verne*

Verne Kratzer - July 07, 2024 at 05:13 PM