



Mrs. Patricia De Bella of Schaumburg

January 7, 1932 - April 22, 2023

Patricia Josephine De Bella was a beloved grandmother, mother, and wife during her incredible 91 years of life. She passed away peacefully on the morning of Saturday, April 22, 2023.

Born in Chicago on January 7, 1932, Patricia was the first American-born child of Polish immigrant parents, Frank and Josephine Potempa. And the youngest of three siblings, August "Gus" and Beatrice "Bea". She attended high school at Holy Family Academy class of 1950.

In the 1950s, a romance that would last a lifetime began when she met her future husband, John Anthony De Bella. He was the first American-born of Italian immigrants and lived in the south side and she was on the north side of the city. At that time there was only a trolley car and no highway but the love made the distance and endured the test of time, lasting over half a century.

One of her first jobs was working in downtown Chicago as a cable girl at Bell Telephone Company, she was also a beautician, and co-owned Patti's Hallmark store in Addison, IL with her daughter. Last but not least, Patricia spent years working at Belmont Cabinet Company, which was a family-owned and operated production woodwork business where her father, siblings, husband and children worked. Many great memories were made there over laughter, smoked fish, and cold cuts.

She loved gardening and was proud to be a member of the Park Ridge Garden Club for forty years. She also was a member of the Diva Dollies chapter of the Red Hat Society, which is an example of the zest she had for life. Patricia was an avid reader, animal lover, and a devout Roman Catholic.

Patricia was predeceased by her husband, John Anthony De Bella, Sr. She is survived by her two children: her son John Anthony De Bella II and his wife, Ivet Marcial, and ex-wife, Wanda De Bella, and her daughter Patricia "Patti" Zubak and her husband, Joe Zubak. She leaves behind her grandchildren: Gonzalo Randall Robles III, Victoria Patricia De Bella, Benjamin Zubak, Peter Zubak, Crystal García, and Charlie García.

Known for being the sweetest woman with great wit that could bring kindness and light into any room she was in, she will be missed by many.

Visitation will be held on Friday, April 28th from 3:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. at Morizzo Funeral Home and Cremation Services, 2550 West Hassell Road, (Northeast corner at Barrington Road), Hoffman Estates, Illinois 60169. Family and friends will meet on Saturday, April 29th at St. Paul of the Cross Catholic Church, 320 S. Washington Ave, Park Ridge, IL 60068 for a visitation from 9:30 A.M. till time of Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 A.M. Entombment to follow at All Saints Cemetery, DesPlaines, Illinois.

If you would like to make a donation to Italian American Veterans Museum (<https://iavmuseum.org/donate/>) it would be appreciated.

For those of you that would have attended services and would like to express your condolences to the family, please click on the link above and you can leave the family a message, with the share a memory link. If you wish to send a Sympathy Card to the Family, please feel free to send it to Morizzo Funeral

Home, 2550 Hassell Road, Hoffman Estates, Illinois, 60169 c/o The Family;
we will gladly forward it on to the family.

Cemetery Details

All Saints Catholic Cemetery in Des Plaines

701 North River Road
Des Plaines, IL 60016
(847) 298-0450
<https://www.catholiccemeterieschicago.org/locations/all-saints/>

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **28**. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Morizzo Family Funeral Home, Cremation Services, and Cemetery Memorials
2550 Hassell Road
Hoffman Estates, IL 60169
(847) 752-6444
ross@morizzofuneralhome.com
<https://www.morizzofuneralhome.com>

Visitation

APR **29**. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul of the Cross Catholic Church
320 S. Washington Ave
Park Ridge, IL 60068

Mass of Christian Burial

APR 29. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Cemetery Committal Service

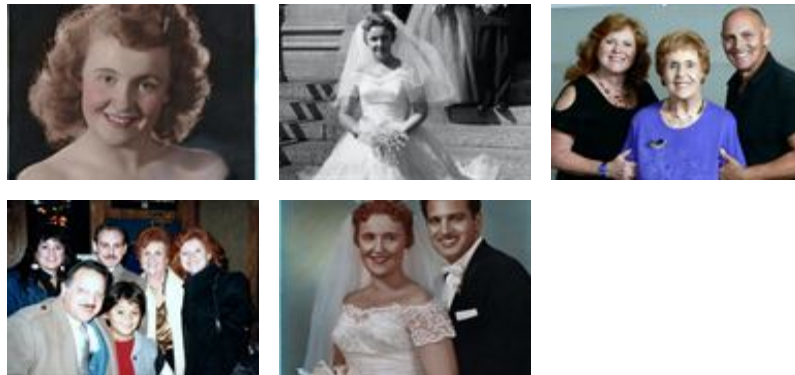
APR 29. 11:30 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



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Morizzo Funeral Home & Cremation Services - April 26, 2023 at 03:18 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* was purchased for the family of Mrs. Patricia De Bella of Schaumburg.



April 26, 2023 at 03:06 PM



“ *What a beautiful life she led, I am so sorry for your loss, you and your family are in our prayers. Dora and Jim Kwak*

Dora f kwak - April 26, 2023 at 12:22 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Mrs. Patricia De Bella of Schaumburg.*



April 26, 2023 at 12:05 PM



“ *Our sincere sympathies to all the DeBella Family. Grandma Pat, as she was referred to over here, was an outgoing, good-humoured woman who seemed to naturally put people at ease. It was our good fortune to have been able to know her. We feel the sense of loss at this time as it is never easy when a good person passes from us.*

We hope that faith will bring strength and comfort and that solace will replace sorrow for all of you before long.

Jan and Ted Zamirowski

Thaddeus Zamirowski - April 25, 2023 at 06:50 PM



I was with Pat in Diva Dollies Red Hat club and Park Ridge garden club. She was always friendly, loving and gracious. She will be missed.
Diane Ostermann

Diane Ostermann - April 27, 2023 at 11:53 AM