



## Patricia Ann Keys

September 22, 1950 - December 28, 2022

### PATRICIA KEYS OBITUARY

Patricia (Pat) Keys, age 72, of Los Angeles, CA died Wednesday, December 28, 2022, in Vancouver, WA.

Pat grew up near Venice Beach, CA, where she met the love of her life, Jimmie (Jim) Dale Keys, Sr, when she was 4 years old. He was the best friend of Pat's older brother. They grew up together and their families were very close. Jim and Pat got married in 1966 and had 3 children, Christina (Tina) Keys of Vancouver, WA, Amy Calloway of Olympia, WA, and Jimmie Keys Jr of Tacoma, WA. After their divorce, she moved to Washington where Pat was an Aerospace engineer for Boeing for over 30 years. She started at an entry-level position and worked her way up to a manufacturing engineer with one of the highest security clearances in her industry. Pat also loved dogs. She owned Pats Shih-Tzu Treasures and was the Best Dog Mom Ever!

After retiring at age 62, she beat the odds when she suffered a hemorrhagic stroke and was given only 1% chance to survive. She was incredibly strong and determined to live life as independently as she could. Her favorite words were " i can do it myself " and could often run circles around anyone from her wheelchair. Her daughter, Christina, spent 10 years as her main caregiver. Pat was the inspiration for the nonprofit called Loving Them Forward. LTF's mission is to help caregivers while they care for loved ones.

Pat passed peacefully in her home surrounded by her daughter and her dogs. She was a beautiful, strong intelligent, tenacious, and independent woman. Pat loved her children, grandchildren, her dogs, her garden, friends, hummingbirds, country music, camping, American Girl Dolls, and finding great deals aka Treasure Hunts. She is survived by her children Christina Keys, Amy Calloway, and Jimmie Keys Jr, her grandchildren, Tucker Peel, Austin Keys, Mason Keys, Jayden Keys, Alexandra (Ali) Wilson, and Jackson Wilson and her great-grandchildren, JJ and Cami Peel, her brother Buddy and Sister Peggy.

Pat was an inspiration to her children and taught them how to be fiercely strong as well as a whole new level of unconditionally love. To Love beyond words, love beyond actions, love beyond what our ears can hear, and our eyes can see. To love beyond what our hearts understand. Pat will be loved and missed forever.

Services will be held Saturday, January 14, 2023.

2:00 PM -Graveside service will be held at Evergreen Memorial Gardens,  
1101 NE 112th Ave, Vancouver, WA 98684

3:30 PM - Celebration of Life will be held at Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 220 NE Heartwood Blvd, Vancouver WA 98684

Anyone who knew and loved Pat or any of her children is welcome to attend.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the nonprofit, Loving Them Forward in honor of her name.

[www.lovingthemforward.org](http://www.lovingthemforward.org)

Loving Them Forward

7314 NE 110th Avenue

Vancouver WA 98662



# Tribute Wall

RK

“ Pat as we called her loved her children very much. Jim and Pat had a love relationship that had there ups and downs' but he still cared very much about her an her about him because of the things he still did to help her by making a wheelchair ramp for her to be able stay at her home longer. He love her and respected Pat



Robin Keys - February 09, 2023 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Our warmest condolences,

Michael, Tara, Carrie & Michele - January 16, 2023 at 12:00 AM

TG

“ Pat always grabbed my hand and asked me to pray with her. She had a great sense of humor and would tell me to always leave the window cracked open so her handsome boyfriend could visit her. Then she would really laugh! She always amazed me with her intellect. Miss the kisses she would blow to me!

Tamra Grubb - January 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ Dear Pat, I enjoyed getting to know you from all the post your loving daughter Christina posted every day. I was also privileged to meet Christina last year. I will never forget both of you. GOD BLESS YOU

Doris Mal - January 12, 2023 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ *Heaven received another beautiful angel. I love you so much. I miss our talks. You'll always be close in my heart ❤️.*

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**Jennifer Barker** - January 11, 2023 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Funeral Chapel and Crematory*

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Patricia Ann Keys** - December 29, 2022 at 12:00 AM