



## Patricia Jo Cook

June 4, 1941 - August 21, 2012

Patricia Jo Cook age 71, of Findlay died at her residence on Tuesday August 21, 2012 at 4:45 a.m. She was born on June 4, 1941 in Findlay to Joseph W. and Frances E. (Hune) Shields. Patty Jo married Ronald R. Cook on June 23, 1963 in The United Methodist Church in Forest and he survives in Findlay.

She has three children surviving Christa Jo Cook, Columbus, Ronald Shields Cook his wife Carolyn Cook, Smithtown; NY, Linda Diane Cook, Findlay, five grandchildren Brandon & Amanda Cook, Smithtown; NY, Emily, Zachary Rabinowitz and Joshua Cook-Rabinowitz, a brother William H. his wife Pat Shields of Findlay. She was preceded in death by her parents.

She was a member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church, Findlay. Mrs. Cook graduated from Forest High school class of 1959. She attended BGSU and graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Music Education in 1963. She became a teacher and taught in Adams Township, Toledo; OH. Mrs. Cook directed church choirs in Frederick; MD, Bristol, CT, and Smithtown; NY where she directed two bell choirs and four vocals at First Presbyterian Church. She also taught in Parochial School in Waterbury; CT and gave private music lessons. While in Connecticut she was a charter member, a section leader and assistant director of the award winning Farmington Valley Chapter of Sweet Adelines and was a certified international arranger for Sweet Adelines. Pat was a devoted wife, mother, sister and friend. She enjoyed being

surrounded by her family and was proud of their accomplishments.

A funeral service will be held on Sat. August 25, 2012 at 10:30 a.m. in CLARK SHIELDS Funeral Home with Pastor Greg Creech officiating. Burial will follow at Hueston Cemetery, Forest. The family will receive friends on Friday August 24, 2012 from 3-8 p.m. in the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Paul's United Methodist Music Fund or Bridge Hospice in care of Clark Shields Funeral Home 301 S. Patterson St. Forest, OH 45843. Visit [www.shieldsfh.com](http://www.shieldsfh.com) to view the Life Tribute DVD, send a condolence or share a memory.

<http://videos.lifetributes.com/328456>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bringman - Clark & Co Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Patricia Jo Cook*



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**Bringman Clark & Shields Funeral Homes** - August 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss. I know what you are going thru. We will be praying for you. Sincerely, Sue Rickenbacher.##imported-begin##Sue Rickenbacher##imported-end##*

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August 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Dear Bill, Pat and families,  
So sorry to know you've lost your sister, Patty. Though I hadn't seen Patty for years, I remember her from her high school days with my brother, Ronnie, and seeing her at church. Your parents were also so very special in my memories of growing up in the Forest church. God bless.##imported-begin##Debbie Spearman##imported-end##*

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August 28, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda Lou and family, our heartfelt and deepest sympathy's go out to all of you. We will keep all of you in our thoughts and prayers. Love you all- The Gonyea clan.##imported-begin##Robert and Holly Gonyea##imported-end##

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August 27, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Bill, how sorry I was to hear of Patty Jo's passing. I have many, many fond memories of you, Patty, Shirley (now, too, passed) and me growing up in Forest. My love and thoughts are with you and your family. Sandy Trissler Roberson##imported-begin##Sandra Trissler Roberson##imported-end##

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August 26, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Yeshim and I had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. Cook a couple of times when she lived on Long Island with her husband. The thing we remember most was she was such a sweet lady with a beautiful smile. Our prayers go out to the entire Cook family. We pray that God would give you comfort during this difficult time. Yeshim & Bill##imported-begin##William Streppone##imported-end##

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August 25, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Ron and family,  
I was saddened to hear of pat's passing. We known each other since our years at BGSU, had lost touch for the years you lived out East, then reconnected when you came back to Findlay. I remember her enthusiasm for music in general, and her love of Sweet Adelines in particular. We had some good talks about the Adelines vs Barbershoppers. I'll miss her cheerful ways. May God's peace be with you throught these difficult days.##imported-begin##Fred Schmidt##imported-end##

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Pat was the Choir Director for the years my children were growing up. My son Jason & daughter Amanda were in the choir and bells with her. She was wonderful and my children really enjoyed their time with her. She had a full house in the choirs and that can be attributed to your mom. I am so sorry to hear of her passing. Everyone knows what a wonderful difference she has made for many.##imported-begin##Nancy Avitable##imported-end##

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am sadden to hear the passing of Patricia. I remember her sweet and gentle voice when I spoke with her on phone few weeks ago. I know she is in perfect rest of the Lord now. I pray that the Lord will embrace her into his loving arms and give her eternal peace. I also pray for you and your father as you are going through this time of loss. Pastor Huibing He, Smithtown United Methodist Church##imported-begin##Pastor Huibing He##imported-end##

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I share in your sorrow at your Mom's passing to return home to the open arms of Jesus. When I think of her, I see her tiny hands playing the piano so beautifully, while teaching children and adults to sing here at Asbury. She was a mighty force when she taught us to sing, whether we wanted to or not. I remember the musicals she directed for our serrrvices and for Saturday nights fun. Now there are choirs in Heaven for her to direct. With loving memories of you all.##imported-begin##Harriet Donovan##imported-end##

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, May God Bless, and Thank you for letting us know, Donna Bartunek, Church Secretary,  
Smithtown United Methodist Church##imported-begin##Donna Bartunek##imported-end##

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of Pat's illness and send love and prayers to all. Pat's excellent leadership of Asbury choir was a big part of my joining the Forestville choir and church family. We were so fortunate to have had her cheerful personality and wonderful talent for those years.  
I was able to pull up some of the photos from the Farewell Party that the choir gave Pat and Ron, as well as one of the choir, to scan for you. Enjoy as you reminisce upon those happier days.  
Thank you, Pat, for sharing your wonderful gifts that made a big difference in our lives.##imported-begin##IRENE  
KELSEY##imported-end##

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ You and your family will be in my prayers. Your mom had many friends here at Asbury and some were sharing memories with me this past Sunday.

God bless you,

Pastor Laura Galbraith

Asbury United Methodist Churchy###imported-begin###Pastor Laura Galbraith###imported-end###

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a wonderful woman and I'm sure you will miss her deeply. She, and your whole family, were wonderful assets to Asbury. I hope time helps ease your pain and bring happy memories back to you. Heidi Foster

Borkowski###imported-begin###Heidi Foster Borkowski###imported-end###

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Members and Friends,  
Our Thanks to all those who responded to the Cook Family and who reached out To Patricia before her passing. Our Prayer Shawl Ministry touches many and we were blessed to be able to send her our love thru this Ministry. In Peace,

Carolyn Gehlbach

First Presbyterian Church of Smithtown###imported-begin###Carolyn Gehlbach###imported-end###

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I have heard many nice things about your Mother. Please accept my deepest sympathy to you and your family. I will keep the family in our prayers and notify the people here in church.

*Donna Bartunek-Church Sect'y,  
Smithtown United Methodist Church##imported-begin##Donna  
Bartunek##imported-end##*

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Christa and family - I am so sorry to hear of your loss but take comfort in knowing that Mrs. Cook's illness wasn't a lengthy one.

*I remember sitting at your dining room table just talking for hours with Pat (even though I'm an adult, calling her by her first name feels strange).*

*She and all of the Cooks always made me feel welcome in their home.*

*I will miss those times. God Bless all of you!*

*Valerie J. Howe##imported-begin##Valerie Howe##imported-end##*

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Sending thoughts and prayers to you in your time of loss.##imported-begin##Tim & Karen Curtin##imported-end##

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August 23, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ron and Family*  
*Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.##imported-  
begin##Larry and Sandy Konzen##imported-end##*

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August 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Bill, we are so sorry for the loss of your Sister. Our deepest  
sympathy go out to her husband, children, You and Pat.##imported-  
begin##Ron and Lee Ann Loveridge##imported-end##*

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August 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Ron and family:*  
*I was so sorry to hear of Pat's passing. Our hearts are with all of  
you. We've been out of touch far to long. Hope to be there on  
Saturday.*

*Love,*  
*Gerrie and family##imported-begin##Gerrie Miller##imported-end##*

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August 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Linda, Emily, Zachary, and Josh,*

*We are so sorry to hear about the passing of your  
mother/grandmother. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and  
your family.##imported-begin##Merri Joy, Kevin, Trey and Dylan  
Hall##imported-end##*

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August 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Linda and family..my heartfelt sympathy, thoughts and prayers to all of you. All my love, Bouchy###imported-begin##Christine Bouchard###imported-end##

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August 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ To Pat's Family. Our heartfelt sympathy for the loss of a very special person. Although we had lost touch with Patty I still remember her from when she was just a teenager. I was in grade school and knew Bill and Pat Shields as they were closer in age to me but Patty Jo made a big impression on me as I was growing up. Her parents were very special to me also. They were prominent people growing up in the Forest Methodist Church. Her Mother Fran played for our wedding in 1972. Many people will miss her I'm sure as she touched so many lives. Will keep you in our prayers at this time of grief. Kay and Morris Hendricks###imported-begin##Morris & Kay Hendricks###imported-end##

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August 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Ron,Bill and families,

So sorry to hear of your loss. Patty Jo was a treasured family friend. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of you.

Love,

Ginny and Jay###imported-begin##ginny hempy schnaidt/ jay schnaidt###imported-end##

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August 21, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Pat was a cherished friend. I will always remember the good times we shared. RIP, my friend. love, sue##imported-begin##Sue Serie##imported-end##*

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