



Patrick L. Norris

March 17, 1945 - August 23, 2020

Patrick Lee Norris, 75, of Denton, NE, passed away peacefully at his home on Sunday, August 23, 2020. He was born in Coshocton, Ohio, on March 17, 1945 to D. Lee and Lela F. (Bible) Norris. Pat graduated from Three Rivers High School, Coshocton, in 1963 and immediately entered the Air Force on May 31, 1963 where he was an instructor, teaching radio communication. He was stationed at Keesler Air Force Base, Biloxi, MS and Lincoln AFB in Lincoln, NE, and was honorably discharged May 29, 1967.

He was employed with AT&T Long Lines in Des Moines for five years before starting at Lincoln Telephone in 1972. Throughout his telecommunications career with LT&T, (Aliant, Alltel) he was a COE Technician, Network Technician, Toll Test Technician, and Instructor. He took early retirement on August 5, 2000 and began his handyman business shortly thereafter.

Pat was generous with his time and talents. He helped and led relief efforts across the country, including mission trips after Hurricane Katrina, tornado recovery efforts in OK and NE, and building handicap ramps in TN, WY and locally. A lifetime member of the Girl Scouts of America, Pat was a troop leader, Catron Challenge course facilitator, Advisory Team member, and a founding member of Spirit of Nebraska Council's philanthropic Juliette Low Society. Pat loved working with youth and young adults and was active in several United Methodist churches, coming out of retirement for two years to

be the Director of Youth Ministries of the Nebraska Conference of The United Methodist Church. He helped establish York's first community garden, and gardened in Schuyler's community garden and his own in Denton in order to share the bounty with neighbors, friends, and people in need.

He was a member of the United Methodist Church for 62 years, active in the church families of Canal Lewisville, OH, Denton and Milligan, NE.

Pat is survived by his wife Pat; his daughter Leslie Norris and husband Glenn Caldwell of Cortland, Nebraska; his son Troy and wife Jaime Norris of Chandler, Arizona and their two children Avery and Camden; two sisters Barbara (Rick) Carlson of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, and Debra (David) Bordenkircher of Coshocton, Ohio; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister Carol Karr.

A Celebration of Life for Patrick was held on Saturday, August 29, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church in York, Nebraska. Rev. Lance Clay officiated the service. The First United Methodist Church Praise Band sang "Step By Step," "How Great Thou Art," and "Standing On The Promises Of God." The recorded selection, "Pray" by Merle Haggard was also played during the Memorial Service.

Following the Memorial Service, the Milligan American Legion HSSK Post 240 held Military Honors on the south side of the church.

Farmer & Son Funeral Home was in care of the arrangement and online condolences can be left at www.farmerandsonfuneralhome.com

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG **29**. 10:30 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
309 East 7th Street
York, NE 68467

Tribute Wall



“ 26 files added to the album Flower Pictures



Farmer & Son Funeral Home - August 29, 2020 at 01:44 PM

SB

“ We are so sorry to hear of Pat's passing. May God give each one of you comfort and strength at this difficult time. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Chuck and Sharon Brunke

Sharon Brunke - August 28, 2020 at 04:48 PM

GH

We are indeed sorry to hear of Mr. Pat's passing. His body is healed and his suffering is over as Jesus welcomed him in to the best home ever. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this difficult hour. May his memories help to sustain you.

Duane & Gayle Heiden, Waverly
(Nancy Friesen's sister)

Gayle Heiden - August 29, 2020 at 02:48 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Patrick L. Norris.*



August 28, 2020 at 08:45 AM



“ *Pat and family,
We are so sorry for your husband and fathers' passing and want you to know that you all are held in our thoughts and prayers.
Steve & Renee Winz
Holdrege, NE*

Renee Winz - August 27, 2020 at 05:13 PM



“ *Jerry Snodgrass Family lit a candle in memory of Patrick L. Norris*



Jerry Snodgrass Family - August 27, 2020 at 12:22 PM



“ *Pat,
I am very sorry for your loss. I will not be able to attend the funeral but would like to meet you some time in the not-to-distant future - may for coffee or an ice cream sundae at Dairy Queen. Mr Pat was a kind and gentle person who will be missed by family, friends and the Denton community. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Your spiritual strength will help guide you through the bereavement.*

Doug Jose - August 27, 2020 at 10:22 AM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Patrick L. Norris.*



August 26, 2020 at 07:15 PM



“ *Days of Sunshine Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patrick L. Norris.*



August 26, 2020 at 05:08 PM



“ *Patrick was a gentle soul and one of the nicest people I have known. I loved his sense of humor and pragmatic outlook on life. He was calm and easy to be around. Patrick will be especially missed by the many young people he mentored and by all who knew him.*

Jane Egan - August 26, 2020 at 02:11 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Patrick L. Norris.*



August 26, 2020 at 09:48 AM

CA

“ Sending our condolences to all of your family. You are in our thoughts and prayers.

Jim and Cindy Avery

Cindy and Jim Avery - August 25, 2020 at 10:19 PM

VW

“ I knew Patrick when he was head of Youth Ministries. He was very talented & easy with whom to visit. We're praying for Pat & family's strength & comfort.

Valjean & Ann Warman - August 25, 2020 at 07:13 PM

LS

“ Sending condolences to the family. He was a great man and always had a smile on his face.. Hugs

Laura Schuster - August 25, 2020 at 01:28 PM