



## Patricia Ann Patterson

August 20, 1935 - July 21, 2025

Patricia Ann Lester Patterson peacefully passed away at her residence in Anaconda on July 21, 2025.

Sunrise was August 20, 1935. Born to Mable G. Hansen Lester and Charles A. Lester, Patricia was middle of Mary Lou Schlegel and Robert Lester in Livingston, MT.

Patricia did her primary school in Billings, Montana and college at Stephens College in Columbia, Missouri, getting her degree in education. Patricia taught school in Great Falls, MT and Miles City, MT where she met the mad of her dreams while he was stationed at a radar base.

Patricia and James Merle Patterson married on June 7th, 1958 and a beautiful daughter Mary Lou was born on February 7th, 1959. The family relocated to Coeur d'Alene, Idaho and on September 30, 1960 Robert James Patterson joined the family.

James Patterson left the Air Force and later enlisted in the Army becoming a Green Beret with the Special Forces serving several tours in Southeast Asia and relocating to various bases while stateside. Patricia always provided a warm home for her children and had fond memories of Coeur d'Alene.

Patricia also enjoyed learning and education, gaining another degree in nursing at Northern Idaho College.

Through the years Patricia worked in many fields in nursing and at the age of 77 retired from Warm Spring Hospital.

So many great things describe Patricia, but it was her life of caring and her

love that describes her best.

Patricia is preceded in death by her father Charles Lester, mother, Mable Lester and husband, James Patterson, sister, Mary Lou Schlegel, brother, Robert Lester, brother-in-law, Charles Schlegel, daughter, Mary Lou Patterson and nephew, John Schlegel.

Patricia is survived by her son, Robert Patterson, nephews, Charley and Mike Schlegel, close friends, Mary Ann Van Cleave, Teresa Nesmith, April Hodges and Gina Bausch.

Patrician Ann Lester Patterson's sunset was July 21, 2025 surrounded by her son Robert Patterson and Nancy Froh. Patricia was also very fond of Virginia with Honey Bee Hospice.

Patricia has gained her wings and for the surviving we have gained a new angel on our shoulders.