



Marcia Patricia "Pat" Wadsworth

April 28, 1936 - June 1, 2025

Patricia Mackey Wadsworth, beloved mother, grandmother, and cherished member of the community, passed away peacefully at her home on June 1, 2025 surrounded by loved ones.

Pat, born on April 28, 1936, was one of nine children born to Artie and Eva Mae Mackey of Pollards Bend, a small rural community rich in tradition and family values. She spent her childhood on the family farm, surrounded by the love and energy of her many siblings. Life on the farm was not always easy, but it was filled with purpose and lessons that would shape her character for years to come. From a young age, Pat took on responsibilities beyond her years, helping with daily chores and tending to the land alongside her parents. One of her proudest early accomplishments was learning to drive a team of mules to plow the fields—a skill that required strength, patience, and determination. It was there, in the heart of Alabama farmland, that Pat's strong work ethic and resilient spirit were forged.

During her years at Cherokee County High School, Pat was a proud and spirited majorette in the marching band. She often reminisced about those days with joy, sharing stories of long hours spent practicing her routines in her father's field—so dedicated that she wore a hard patch into the dirt that became nearly impossible to plow. Her time as a majorette was more than just a school activity; it was a reflection of her passion, and love for bringing joy to others, qualities that remained with her throughout her life."

It was during these high school years that a young football player would catch her eye. Later he would become known as Dad and Pawpaw Bill to our family. God blessed them with 3 wonderful boys who she loved and treasured dearly. She was the devoted mother of Garry, Steve and Terry Wadsworth, was later blessed with a beautiful daughter in law, Kathy Wadsworth. Her legacy continues through her grandchildren: Jason Wadsworth, Selena Sinclair, TJ Wadsworth, and Kylie Jones, as well as her 10 great grandchildren, each of whom held a special place in her heart.

She was also well known for her deep love of music. I can remember countless times of her playing the piano as we sang along. Two of her favorite songs to play for us was, He's still working on me and Jonah Jonah. She always wanted one of us to learn to play the piano, but I think deep down we knew we would never live up to her natural talent. But she definitely was tickled every time we made an attempt. She also used her musical talents throughout the community, and within her church, where she served faithfully for many years as the pianist. Every note she played was an act of worship, filled with purpose and reverence. Her music wasn't just sound-it was her way of praising God and sharing her faith with everyone who listened. I honestly cannot recall her ever playing anything other than gospel hymns. From the soft, familiar melodies to the powerful choruses, her fingers seemed to dance across the keys with a grace that could only come from a heart fully devoted to the Lord. Her music filled the room with peace, and those moments are some of the most treasured memories we hold. Pat didn't just play the piano-she ministered through it. She was strong in her faith and constantly sought ways to serve both God and others. Her devotion was not just something she practiced-it was the foundation of how she lived her life. These values of faith, service, and love were deeply rooted in her heart and became a legacy she intentionally passed down through all three generations of children.

Pat's flair for beauty didn't stop with music. She became a Mary Kay consultant, which sparked her lifelong love of all things pink. She was often dressed in bright, joyful colors that complemented her warm personality. She believed wholeheartedly in the power of the color wheel and never went shopping without one tucked in her purse.

Pat retired from Walmart after 17 years of dedicated service, where she became a familiar and friendly face to many. If you were ever out with her she was always talking to someone. Many recognized her but did not know where they had met. With a smile on her face and a cheerful "Welcome to Walmart," for most it was an instant reminder of how they knew her.

In her retirement, Pat discovered a passion for painting. Her talent flourished, and many of her pieces earned awards over the years, each one a reflection of her creative spirit and her appreciation for life's beauty. She had the honor of having her artwork displayed in local museums and businesses, a testament to the talent, creativity, and heart she poured into each piece.

Seeing her work appreciated by others brought her great joy, and it was a source of pride not only for her but for all who loved her."

Her passion for the outdoors was equally evident in her meticulously tended yard, especially in her beloved rows of lilies that bloomed brightly under her care. Among her many garden treasures were the countless varieties of hostas she was so proud to cultivate. Each one was carefully chosen, planted, and nurtured with love. While her green thumb may not have passed down quite as successfully, her love for nature certainly did.

Pat was a woman of warmth, strength, and unwavering devotion to her family. She poured her heart into raising her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren always offering support, love, and wisdom. Her presence was a gift to those who knew her, and she leaves behind a legacy of love, creativity, and kindness.

She will be deeply missed and forever remembered by her family, friends, and

all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Funeral Services will be held at 3:00PM Wednesday, June 04, 2025 in the Perry Funeral Home chapel with Bro. Kenneth Roberts and Bro. Howard Holland officiating, burial will follow in Shiloh Bothwell Cemetery. The family will receive friends from 1:00PM until the time of service Wednesday at the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Shiloh-Bothwell Cemetery

Leesburg, AL

Previous Events

Receive Friends

JUN 4. 1:00 PM (CT)

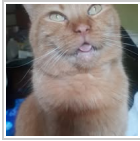
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Funeral Service

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Perry Funeral Home Chapel
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Tribute Wall



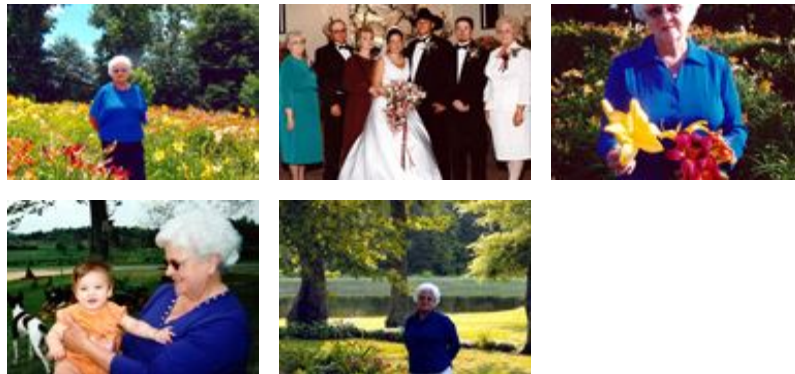
“ I worked with her at Wal Mart.. She was a very sweet lady.. RIP Ms Pat 🌸



Donna Palmer - June 04, 2025 at 06:13 PM



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Perry Funeral Home Inc. - June 03, 2025 at 12:14 PM

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“ She certainly was a treasured gift to us all. She played the piano for me the first time I sang at Mt. Zion church. I must have been 8 or 9 yrs old. I was shaking so bad I was rocking the podium. I looked over at her and it gave me courage to keep singing. I loved her very much. Praying for all the family. ❤️

Trussa Nelson - June 03, 2025 at 02:14 AM

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“ As a sister-in-law, we shared a lot of good times. One time we were going to Gadsden in Pat's car with her driving. She ran a red light. I said Pat you just ran a red light, she said where. Of course we laughed, but also realized how lucky we were that there was no traffic coming through from other direction at the time. We also worked together when Crompton at Leesburg was in operation. The many years we spent together as family are memories I will cherish. She will be missed by all who knew her. She completed the nine of her brothers and sisters to leave this world. Rest in Peace, Pat.

Joyce Mackey - June 02, 2025 at 06:32 PM