



Patricia M. "Pat" Gorka Foerst

September 30, 1927 - July 31, 2025

Patricia M. "Pat" Gorka Foerst, age 97, passed away on July 31, 2025, at Enclave of Newell Creek in Mentor, OH. She was born on September 30, 1927, in Cleveland, OH.

Beloved wife of the late John E. Foerst for 31 years, loving mother of David (Sandra) Gorka, Robert Gorka, and John "Jack" (Kathleen) Gorka. Cherished grandmother to many and a friend to all who knew her.

A lifelong resident of Mentor, Pat lived a vibrant and fulfilling life. She was an active member of the Cleveland Collie Club, proudly showing her champion collies. She swam with the "Aqua-Y-Ettes" and taught countless children how to swim. She enjoyed lively games with her "Poker Club," and was a dedicated homemaker who took joy in the little things. Pat especially loved fishing trips in Canada with "The Boys," and in her later years, treasured Sunday drives through the Pennsylvania countryside.

She was preceded in death by her loving husband, John E. Foerst.

The family will receive friends from 5–7 p.m. on Wednesday, August 6, 2025, at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, August 7, 2025, at the funeral home.

Interment will follow at Mentor Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in her memory to Miracle City Hospice, 9150 S. Hills Blvd., Suite 100, Cleveland, OH 44147, or online at miraclecityhospice.com/donate.

Condolences may be offered at www.brunners.com.

Cemetery Details

Mentor Cemetery

6881 Hopkins Rd.
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 974-5733

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 6. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center
8466 Mentor Avenue
Mentor, OH 44060
(440) 255-3401
ajs@brunners.com
<https://www.brunners.com/>

Funeral Service

AUG 7. 10:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

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“ David, Bobby and Jack – I only just recently found out about the passing of your mom from my sister Janet. Big hug to all and may you find comfort in the good times shared together and know that she always spoke lovingly of you all whenever I visited her with Uncle Tom. I will never forget the big Christmas parties on Spring Valley and Aunt Pat taking me with you guys to Canada for one of her many award-winning Collie Shows. I will make sure I stop by the Mentor Cemetery to pay my respects. Thoughts and prayers - Gerry Gorka.

Gerry Gorka - January 19 at 03:58 PM

GS

“ Pat was a wonderful friend. She will never be forgotten.

Gary & Martha Skilton - August 18, 2025 at 02:19 PM

JW

“ Please accept our sincere condolences for the loss of your wonderful mom. We all loved Pat and will hold all the cherished memories of her, in a very special place in our hearts. Please know we are keeping you in our closest thoughts and prayers. Sincerely,
Tom, Jan, Paige, Scott & Julie

Jan Wilson - August 05, 2025 at 09:07 PM

DG

“ *David, Sandy, Christopher, Bryan Gorka purchased the Sacred Duty Spray for the family of Patricia M. "Pat" Gorka Foerst.*



David, Sandy, Christopher, Bryan Gorka - August 04, 2025 at 03:56 PM



“ *Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Patricia M. "Pat" Gorka Foerst.*



August 04, 2025 at 02:58 PM

MH

“ *Bob and Jack,
Your Mom was one of the best "moms" in my circle growing up. She made us all the best dang pancake breakfasts when we all slept over at your guy's house in Junior High. Had the honor later in life to reconnect with her. Such a great lady always smiling...*

Mike Harrold

michael harrold - August 03, 2025 at 09:27 PM

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“ Gork, Bob, and David... My sincerest condolences. Your Mom was a great lady. I have many fond memories of the times I spent with you and your Mom. She was always like a Mom to me... very sweet, caring, thoughtful, and sincere. Please know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. May God bless your Mom.

With our love, Frust and Kimberly.

John 16:21-22.

Frust - August 03, 2025 at 03:55 PM