



## Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson

April 1, 1944 - November 26, 2015

Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson, age 71, a longtime resident of Mentor, passed away November 26, 2015 at University Hospital in Cleveland. Mrs. Patterson was born April 1, 1944 in Cleveland.

Mrs. Patterson had worked as a nurse for University Hospitals, the Lake County Free Clinic and the Well Baby Clinic. She worked in the kindergarten classrooms of Mentor Schools for the past 17 years helping kids understand that everyone is special, unique, and deserving of friendship and respect from each of us, irregardless of their differences. She was a member of Mentor United Methodist Church, enjoyed watching sports including the Cleveland Indians and the Lakeland men's basketball team and was past president of the Up Side of Downs. Mrs. Patterson enjoyed traveling with her husband, loved animals and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren.

Survivors include her husband of 48 years, Tom; children Katie (David) Romo; Tom "Boomer" (Montse) Patterson; Megan Patterson and Andrew Patterson; grammie of Veronica, Alex, Ethan, Adam and Jaden; sister Andrea and Doug Denton; many loving nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents Paul and Avonelle Orvos.

A memorial service will be held 11 am Friday Dec 4, 2015 at Mentor United Methodist Church, 8600 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Family will receive friends 2-4 pm & 6-8 pm Thursday at Brunner Sanden Deitrick Funeral Home & Cremation Center, 8466 Mentor Ave., Mentor, OH 44060.

Inurnment will be in Mentor Cemetery.

Contributions may be made in Mrs. Patterson's memory to the Lake Human Society, 7564-E Tyler Blvd, Mentor, OH 44060 or to University Hospital Seidman Cancer Center Mail Stop SCC1105, Office of Patient and Public Education, 11100 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, OH 44106-9900 or to the Mentor Schools Foundation, 6450 Center St., Mentor, OH 44060.

Offer condolences and send flowers at [www.brunners.com](http://www.brunners.com).

# Cemetery Details

## Mentor Cemetery

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

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 3. 2:00 PM - 4:00 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/>

## Visitation

DEC 3. 6:00 PM - 8:00 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/>

## Memorial Service

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DEC 4. 11:00 AM (ET)

Mentor United Methodist Church  
8600 Mentor Avenue  
Mentor, OH 44060  
(440) 255-3496  
<http://www.mentorumc.org/>

# Tribute Wall

MG

“ Michael, Stephanie, Vincent, Maxwell, and Rosalie Guerin purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.



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**Michael, Stephanie, Vincent, Maxwell, and Rosalie Guerin -**  
December 03, 2015 at 06:47 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.



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December 03, 2015 at 08:18 AM



“ Rose Romanesque Bouquet was purchased for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.



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December 02, 2015 at 10:04 PM

TR

“ Tish and Jon Rossi purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.



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**Tish and Jon Rossi -** December 01, 2015 at 12:19 PM

TP

“ *The Taliaferros, (Holly, Bruce, and Paul) purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.*



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**The Taliaferros, (Holly, Bruce, and Paul)** - November 30, 2015  
at 08:51 PM

AH

“ *All our love, Chris & Anne Houin purchased the Sweet Tenderness for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.*



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**All our love, Chris & Anne Houin** - November 30, 2015 at  
02:15 PM

LB

“ *Love, Karen, Mitsi & Buddy purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.*



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**Love, Karen, Mitsi & Buddy** - November 30, 2015 at 12:13 PM



“ *Heartfelt Memories was purchased for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.*



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November 30, 2015 at 12:05 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.



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November 30, 2015 at 10:50 AM



“ *Your Sygenta friends and colleagues purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.



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**Your Sygenta friends and colleagues** - November 30, 2015 at 10:29 AM

“ Tom & Family,

*Every once in a while, a new acquaintance comes into our lives and brings the gift of friendship and forever memories. When I was a young mother, new to Mentor and Center Street Elementary School, Paula was one of those people for me. Our sons were in the same class and we both had 3rd babies a few months apart.*

*Paula introduced me to many people at Center Street and our family was soon also attending Mentor United Methodist. Paula took me under her wing and made me appreciate the neighborhood, the church and city and its people. She was a Cub Scout Den Mother who taught little boys the value of scouting and made a forever impression on my middle son that surpassed June Cleaver! When my 3rd child died suddenly, it was Paula who was soon at our door with an abundance of food for our arriving families. When our family encountered another difficult time a few years later, it was Paula and Tom who appeared on the doorstep offering unconditional love and support, which today still takes my breath away.*

*Paula's goodness seemed to know no limits, she had become one of my unsung heroes. Time marched on, our children grew up and I moved away. But Paula had been that new acquaintance who became an inspiration-filled friend. Because of her generosity, I have found my own hand reaching to touch others in their time of need, a repayment of sorts for the kindnesses Tom & Paula extended to me so many years ago. Thank you for your love, your gifts, the lessons, and your friendship that has forever memories. I will never ever forget you. Your presence in the world turned many difficulties into triumphs for countless people.*

*Tom, Katie, Boomer, Megan & Andy... I am just so very sorry. Other than what I've written, I have no other words except to tell you that you each have a forever place in my heart - right next to the place where I have your mom/wife.*

*Love and Peace.*

*Peggy Rickard (Bishop), Phoenix, AZ*

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**Peggy Rickard** - November 30, 2015 at 12:43 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson.*



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November 29, 2015 at 06:57 PM



“ *To the Patterson Family, We are so sorry for your loss. Twenty years ago I was a mother with a baby with Down syndrome. Paula called me and gave plenty of support and encouragement. Over the years I would periodically call her to ask for advice which she was always willing to share. Thank you Paula for paving the way for us.*

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**Karen Gilmore** - November 29, 2015 at 02:48 PM



“ *Katie, Andy, Megan~My deepest sympathy for your loss. Your mom taught so many people through her kindness, patience and good will. I'm fortunate to have shared many wonderful experiences with her. I really admired her. Love to you all. Susan Bleck*

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**Susan Bleck** - November 29, 2015 at 01:30 PM

JK

“ *Patterson family*

*I have so many wonderful stories of family, pets, vacations, work and just girl talk that we*

*shared. I was blessed to have shared twenty years of Paula's life and I will treasure that*

*as a gift. I know in my heart that one day we will meet again and talk and laugh as old*

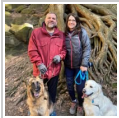
*friends do. Paula's unconditional love and faith were always an inspiration for me and I'm*

*sure others who knew her. She was truly an angel walking among us.*

*Joy kaminski*

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**joy kaminski** - November 29, 2015 at 12:02 AM



*Joy,  
Thank you so much for your sweet words. She thought the world of you and loved you so much.*

*Love,  
Meg*

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**Megan Patterson** - November 29, 2015 at 03:18 AM

CW

“ *Megan.  
We are so sorry to learn of the loss of your Mother. You are such a sweet loving person I am sure you are a lot like your Mom.  
Take Care  
Art and Cathy Wicinski  
Piper and Traci*

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**Catherine Wicinski** - November 28, 2015 at 09:00 PM



*Cathy, Art, Piper, and Traci,  
Thank you so much. I like to think I am a lot like my mom.  
Love,  
Meg*

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**Megan Patterson** - November 29, 2015 at 03:19 AM

CW

“ *Catherine Wicinski lit a candle in memory of  
Paula K. (Orvos) Patterson*



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**Catherine Wicinski** - November 28, 2015 at 08:55 PM

JP

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**Jean Pfeiffer** - November 28, 2015 at 06:16 PM