



## Patricia Graul

October 16, 1957 - July 13, 2012

Patricia "Patty" Lynne Graul, 54, of Searcy, AR died Friday, July 13, 2012 at her home after a courageous battle with cancer. She was born October 16, 1957 to J.C. and Winifred Hebert Franks in Lake Charles, Louisiana. She graduated from Barbe High School in Lake Charles then attended Harding University. She taught at Southwest Middle School in Searcy for many years, where she touched countless lives. Patty was a member of the West Side Church of Christ. Her voice was beautiful and she used it to uplift others at any time that she could. She brought life to everyone she was around, and loved to be with family, especially when that meant spending time by her pool.

She is survived by her husband, Mike Graul; children, Ben and his wife Jodi Graul, Bonnie Thomas and her husband Jeff, and Jamie Jerkins and her husband Michael; her parents, J.C. and Winifred Franks; grandchildren, Austin Allen and Madison Graul; sisters, Carol Frank and Terri Fielder and her husband Barry; as well as many nieces, nephews, and friends.

She is preceded in death by her grandparents.

Visitation will be held Monday from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at West Side Church of Christ in Searcy, AR. Services will be held Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., at the West Side Church of Christ. Interment will follow in White County Memorial Gardens. Arrangements are entrusted to Powell Funeral Home of Searcy. ww

w.powellfuneralhome.net . Donations may be made in Patty's honor to Children's Home Inc. in Paragould, AR, or to the Kidney Cancer Association.

# Tribute Wall

CS

“ Every time we sing "Bind Us Together," I still think of sweet Patty Graul.

Cheryl L Schramm - January 24, 2021 at 10:36 AM

AJ

“ Mike we want you and the entire Graul and Franks family to know you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. We know Patty was a beautiful wife, mother and sister and is in heaven with that big beautiful smile that we always remembered her having. May God Bless and comfort all of you!!!!

Allen and Carla Jeter - March 29, 2013 at 02:09 PM

SB

“ Prayers for Mike and the family. God Bless and comfort you. Shellie Brown

Shellie Brown - March 29, 2013 at 02:09 PM

KD

“ Bonnie - I'm so sorry for the loss of your mother. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.  
Sincerely,  
Kellie Dye

Kellie Dye - March 29, 2013 at 02:09 PM

CO

“ I don't get the honor of saying I was a close friend of Patty's but I considered her a friend. The brief years I knew her were filled with her smiles that made me smile and her laugh that made me laugh. She was always genuinely nice to me and everyone around her. No one ever had anything but great things to say about her. I so loved seeing the pictures of her happy family. I know that she had a full and wonderful life. We will all miss her smiling face and warm heart. Thank God for our memories.  
God bless her family.  
Cheyrl Freeman O'Quinn

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**Cheyrl Freeman O'Quinn** - March 29, 2013 at 02:09 PM

DP

“ I have and will forever keep wonderful memories of my dear high school friend Patty. I was fortunate enough to personally visit Patty a few weeks ago. We "traveled back" through our high school days and shared many laughs.  
But, the conversation always lead back to what meant the most to Patty - God and her loving family. She expressed many times how very much she felt loved and happy in her years here on earth. She told me that she knew she would see you all again.  
One of my favorite quotes:  
"Family faces are magic mirrors - looking at people who belong to us, we see the past, present, and future"  
~Gail Lumet Buckley  
My deepest sympathy to you all. Keep the memories and share them with generations to come. I know you will see a glimpse of Patty.  
God Bless

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**Dianna Colletta Pousson** - March 29, 2013 at 02:09 PM

NM

“ I just realized that Patty was the one that taught my kids at Southwest Middle School. She was a beautiful lady and very sweet! She will be missed greatly!

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**Nancy McGill** - March 29, 2013 at 02:09 PM

DC

“ I was a friend of Terri's in High School and I have such a heavy heart after hearing that everyone has lost such a lovely mom, sister, daughter friend ... I am thankful I was lucky enough to have been touched by Patti.

You will all gather and laugh, cry, with joy and pain. I know she is enjoying life in heaven now, but will be greatly missed here on earth by all.

God Bless You all and you will be in my thoughts and prayers. Her laugh and smile is forever implanted in my memories.

Denise (Thilmony) Cavanna

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**Denise Cavanna** - March 29, 2013 at 02:09 PM

JM

“ I had the opportunity to go on several teacher trips with Harding University. I had the opportunity to see so many beautiful places that God created and will never forget them. I also had the opportunity to meet some amazing people that have touched my life in so many ways. One of those people was Patti. I have never met anyone who had life itself sparkling in her eyes. She was the most alive, the most fun, and the sweetest person I have ever met. She loved with her whole body and her family was everything to her. I have great memories of Patti and I know she was loved just as deeply as she loved and that she will be greatly missed.

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**Jodi Martin** - March 29, 2013 at 02:09 PM

RS

“ I had the privilege of learning under Mrs. Graul as a student teacher in the spring of 2011. I learned so much from her, not just about teaching but about life and about what it means to love your family and friends. She showed me how to maintain discipline while still being able to have fun with the students. The memory that stands out the most to me was when she put on a long blonde wig and sang "Crazy" in front of the entire class. I will never forget her smile or her laugh! My thoughts and prayers go out to her husband and children! I know she is smiling down on all of us from heaven!

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**Rachel Sloan** - March 29, 2013 at 02:09 PM

DB

“ Patty was a childhood friend and neighbor. We are so sorry to hear of her passing and long battle with cancer. She brought a smile, laughter, and fond memories to all she was around. Our thoughts, prayers, and God's blessings go out to all the families. Diane & Becky Brasher

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**Diane Brasher Stutes & Becky Brasher** - July 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM