



Patricia Ann Brooker (Kelliher)
1966 - 2016

There will be a Memorial Gathering on Friday, January 13, 2017, from 10 AM until the services at 11 AM at the Capaul Funeral Home, Ida. Pastor Mark Whitte from Grace Lutheran Church, Monroe, MI, will officiate.

Patricia Ann Brooker (Kelliher), age 50 of LaSalle, passed peacefully from this mortal life to join our Heavenly Father on Monday December 19, 2016 following a brief illness.

Patti was an endless source of love, comfort and encouragement for her family and friends and was their biggest fan at every endeavor and achievement. We cherished her dearly for it.

Patti possessed a vibrant and spirited personality which endeared her to friends, family and her many acquaintances. She had the ability to strike up conversation with a random stranger and come away with a new friend. Her family and the world as a whole are greatly diminished by the loss of such a rare individual.

Patti loved photography and possessed a true talent for capturing beautiful and moving images. She especially loved to photograph Michigan's natural beauty. Some of her beautiful images have been seen in Pure Michigan and Mackinac Island travel guides, Ohio travel guides and were often used by the Consumerist and other websites.

Patti held a special place in her heart for animals, especially neglected and abandoned pets. She showed every kindness to lost and abandoned pets she encountered. She leaves behind 3 furry children, Dylan the Labrador, Charlie the mutt and Casey the kitty, all rescues. She felt that Dylan, an incredibly gentle soul and her first rescue, was one of the

great loves of her life.

Patti was born on January 28, 1966 in Brooklyn, New York to George and Helen (Shaughnessy) Kelliher. She was a 1984 graduate of Canarsie High School. She married Gary Brooker in Brooklyn, NY and in 1988 produced her greatest masterpiece and crowning achievement, her son Robert . She moved to Michigan in April of 2005 to be with her best friend and husband, Jamie. They were inseparable companions to the end.

Patti worked a number of jobs in her lifetime but she spent the past 10 years making a house a wonderful home for her family. She enjoyed traveling to new places, enjoyed Northern Michigan get aways, reconnecting and reminiscing with old friends and missing the New York City knish.

Patti leaves behind her husband, James Root, son, Robert (Sam) Brooker, mother, Helen Kelliher, sister, Mary (Mike) Merritt, nephews, Micheal (Allison) Kelliher, Anthony (Christina) Merritt and Aidan McGonigal, nieces, Caitlin Merritt and Reese McGonigal. She was preceded in death by her father, George, husband, Gary and dachshund, Frank. Memorial contributions may be made in memory of Patti to The Devoted Barn of Newport, MI.

Cremation has occurred, memorial services are being planned for a future date with arrangements to be made by the Capaul Funeral Home of Ida, MI and Grace Lutheran Church of Monroe, MI.

To send the family condolences please go online to: www.capaulfuneralhome.com.