



Lois Patricia Rusche

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We lovingly announce the passing of our mother, sister, wife, grandmother, and friend Patricia.

Lois Patricia Lewis was born to Walter Roderic and Lois McDonald Lewis in the Los Angeles suburb of Van Nuys, California. As the eldest girl of 13 children, she helped feed and care for the family, beginning her lifelong journey as a gentle caregiver.

Patricia was an excellent student and lifelong learner. She moved to Utah to attend BYU, where she married Gary Gibson, who had followed her after they met at church in the Sherman Oaks area of California. They were married in the Los Angeles Temple. She was dedicated to the Savior and paired that with her love of learning. She especially enjoyed attending Education Week and listening to LDS Church conferences. She served in ward missionary callings and continued her mother's tradition of arranging flowers each week for her ward.

Patricia wanted a large family. She and Gary Gibson had 7 beautiful children. She was the proud grandmother of many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Ronald Rusche and Patricia met and married in 2002 after they were inspired and encouraged to try online dating. They were married in the Mount Timpanogos temple and have enjoyed more than 20 years together. They loved serving as missionaries, caring for their mothers until each passed, doing genealogy and temple work, being actively engaged as parents and grandparents, and being devoted in callings in their ward.

Patricia loved trying new things, especially food. "I'm a taster" was a favorite saying her kids would often repeat. She loved new opportunities and serving those she loved. She shared in the joys and successes of those she cared about, from her children and ward members to several others whom she helped get housing and government aid. She was gentle and kind to all.



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Patricia loved to read and was part of several book clubs during the last years of her life. She loved to be surrounded by books and shared them with friends and family. She took notes about nearly everything, from talks in church and conferences to business and real estate meetings and ideas.

Patricia was raised in an entrepreneurial family. She furthered that talent throughout her life. She was a creative real estate agent, and her “three-way trade” was featured in Rich Dad’s The Real Book of Real Estate, by Robert Kiyosaki. She worked with her children on their projects and businesses.

Patricia was very close with her mother Lois. She and Ron lived with and cared for Lois in the final years of her 98-year life. She passed away in her home as was her strong desire. Patricia passed in the same home as her mother, having been lovingly cared for by her husband Ron and their children and ward family.

We wish her well on her journey as she is met with open arms by her family and friends in heaven. We hope she will continue to watch over us all as she continues her service. We miss her and take comfort in that hope.

Patricia was preceded in death by her parents, Walter Roderic and Lois McDonald Lewis, and siblings Walter Jr., Sharon, Samuel, and brother-in-law Don Hammond.

She is survived by her husband, Ronald Rusche, and her seven children: Karen, Kathy, Greg, Doug, Brad (and Amy), Tim (and Monique), and Rob (and Maria). Her grandchildren are Ian (and Jay) and son Atlas, Ellery, Wesley, Madeline (and Pete Coates), Nicholas (and Evelyn), Jonathan, Zack, Jay and his daughter Rosemary, Tommy, Monty, Remy, Danica, Tyler, and Bailey. Ronald’s children are April, Kristine, Evelyn, Marian, Karen and six grandchildren: Lilly, Shaun, Corin, Issac, Salina, and Amelia.

Patricia was one of 13 children of Walter Roderic and Lois McDonald Lewis, who lived mainly in Van Nuys, California. Her brothers and sisters were Walter Jr., Rick (and Marilyn), Nancy (and Jay Larsen), Anne (and Don Hammond), Sharon, Donald, Bill (and Terry), Bonnie (and Charles Pigg), Tom (and Patty), Samuel, Michael (and Andrea) and Joe (and Linda).

Funeral Services for Patricia Rusche will be held on August 27, 2022, at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, Oak Hills 4th Ward, 925 E. North Temple Drive, Provo, UT 84604. Visitation



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for friends and family will be from 9:30-11:00 a.m. prior to the funeral services from 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Interment will be in the Provo Cemetery. Luncheon to follow.

In lieu of flowers, Patricia asked that donations be made to the charity of your choice.




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Cemetery Details

 **Provo City Cemetery**
610 South State Street, Provo UT





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Donald Lewis posted:

Here is the link to watch Patricia's funeral on Youtube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWFJIHBCKHAfoJELkTCEXkA> Saturday 11 am to Noon Mountain Time on Aug 27, 2022

August 26 at 3:40 PM



Darlene Pedersen posted:

Patricia was blessed to have married a sweet choice man, Ron Rusche. He is a kind gentle Christ serving Latter day Saint. Grateful they shared over twenty years together. Sister Darlene Pedersen and Edward.

August 10 at 5:25 PM



Lori Hall November 6 at 6:48 PM

I am soooo glad to hear this that your mother became happily married! I have fond memories of you all. Hi Kathy, Karen, Greg, Doug, Brad, Tim & Bob !How are you all doing? Sorry to hear Sharon passed away too. Lori Mitchell
Hallmakehealthytastegood2@gmail.com



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Diane S Matthews posted:

Patricia and I became acquainted late in our lives. She and I both love to read and found it natural to enjoy belonging to our LDS Ward's Book Group. She didn't have a lot to say in discussion, but when she spoke her remarks mirrored careful thought and insightful comments. I loved listening to her. Her own book reviews were well thought-out and prepared with care. I missed seeing her at the last couple of reviews we had, but she watched from home on Zoom and when we always asked her what her thoughts were before the meeting closed, she had something to say that was worth listening to. It was a while before I knew who it was that brought the beautiful flower arrangement to Church each week. Most often fresh flowers--I'm sure from her own garden or someone else's, or maybe she purchased flowers. Sometimes when there was too much snow on the ground her arrangements were of artificial flowers that looked so real one could hardly tell them from the fresh bouquets she brought. I don't believe anyone assigned her to make these flower arrangements--I think this was an unsolicited service she chose to give that made the atmosphere of the meetings in the chapel (and yes, she carried the arrangements into the Relief Society room for the women to enjoy there) more pleasant. Her faithfulness in providing something every week until those last few weeks when she stayed at home was commendable. I loved watching her carry the flowers each week and set them in the place where they would look the best and bless the lives of the most people. I know Patricia surely lived a life full of service with contributions on many fronts. I can tell this because of what I saw in her later years. A true example of living the major principles of the gospel including #5--Enduring to the End. That she did--so well. With sincere love and appreciation for her life. Diane S. Matthews

August 9 at 7:35 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Lois by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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