



Patti Sperling

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Patti Sperling, 69, of Palm Isles West in Boynton Beach, Florida passed away Wednesday August 9, 2017. Born in New York City, Patti retired to Florida four years ago from Buffalo, New York where she graduated from the University of Buffalo with a degree in education and went on to attain her Masters in Education from Buffalo State University. A passionate and devoted teacher, Patti touched the lives of countless children, instilling in them a love for learning. She saw the best in every student, and encouraged their imaginations to grow and their skills to blossom. Patti was known for her love of all things Dr. Seuss, which she integrated into both her teaching and her life. Patti was the beloved wife of Richard, her husband of 48 years; the devoted mother of Jason (Gretchen Helmreich) Sperling and Jodi (Josh Kaplan) Sperling; the cherished grandmother of Emmett, Elijah, Ruvi, and Romy; the devoted daughter of Syd and Morris Wartley; and the dear sister of Ed (Arleen) Wartley. Services are 9:30 AM Friday August 11, 2017 at Beth Israel Memorial Chapel, 11115 Jog Rd., Boynton Beach, Florida 33437 with burial at 10:30 AM on Monday August 14, 2017 in Long Island at Wellwood Cemetery Wyandanch, New York. The family kindly asks that those wishing to honor Patti's memory with a memorial contribution consider First Book, www.firstbook.org (providing books and educational resources to programs and schools serving children in need) or The National Brain Tumor Society, www.brainumor.org.



Tribute Wall

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DS

Dina Spiropoulos posted:

I'm so sorry for your loss. I really enjoyed volunteering every week in her kindergarten class while my youngest daughter, Sophia, was a student. That was 11 years ago. Patti was so passionate about teaching and cared about her students. She valued compassion as well as knowledge. I will never forget how she made sure Sophia had a first grade teacher who would appreciate her unique personality. She will be surely missed!-Dina Turecki

September 2 at 6:32 PM

SA

Susan Alexander posted:

I am so sorry for your loss, Jodi and family. Your mom was loving and fun, and this must be a terribly sad time for you all. I remember watching American Idol together and cheering during a Passover seder could that be true? did we really do that??? Anyway, my thoughts and love are with you. xoxoxox

August 15 at 11:45 AM

BF

Beth Frascatore posted:

So sorry to hear of Patti's death. Devoted to her students, always something going on in her classroom, ready to share stories of family and listen to what was going on with yours. "Enthusiasm" is an often repeated word in these messages . How very true. Beth Frascatore

August 12 at 4:52 PM

DL

Denise Lombardi posted:

So sad to hear my deepest condolences to the family, hands down one of the best teachers my daughter Mia ever had. May God keep you in his glory.

August 12 at 3:56 PM



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BH

Barbara Nestler Hoffman posted:

I'm so sorry to hear about your loss. Your mom and I were great pals in college. We shared so many wonderful experiences and laughs together. Her friendship helped make my years at UB the happy experience it was. My favorite memory consists of the two of us sitting in the back of my future in laws' old car that had broken down on the way home from some park. We were watching our then boyfriends (soon to be fianc es) putter under the hood and remove and replace items. We just kept staring in wonderment, chatting happily away, totally sure of a happy outcome.

August 11 at 3:36 PM

MM

Mary Maron posted:

I am very sorry to hear that Patti was so ill and has passed. I taught kindergarten with her at Sheridan Hill for many years. At the end of the day she would often come over to my classroom and say, "Mary, I have a question." It became a standing thing between us as we would review our days and make plans together. She loved to create fun ways for her students to learn. The Cat in the Hat was a central figure in her classroom. Patti loved her family and would often talk about everyone as we walked the school hallways to get some exercise when the schoolday was over. Sincere sympathy to Dick, Jodi and Jason at this very difficult time. Mary Maron

August 11 at 2:32 PM

DW

Debbie Wells posted:

So terribly shocking to hear of her passing. She was a great teacher who had my son Alex for kindergarten 7 years ago. He so learned to read and enjoy reading through her. Every time I see Dr Seuss I always think of her.

August 11 at 1:25 PM

NL

Nancy Leafdale posted:

So sad Patti was a wonderful creative teacher. She created eager learners. I enjoyed going into her class for my weekly creative and critical think lessons. She will be missed!!

August 11 at 1:16 PM



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LR

Lori Rohloff posted:

My thoughts and prayers are with Patti's family. Patti, Sharon Greenauer, and I were all hired on the same day twenty-five years ago. We attended many school and social gatherings together. Her and Dick were always so much fun. I enjoyed working with Patti. She was so proud of her own children and her students. She was always beaming with enthusiasm and couldn't wait to share a story about something they did. I know she made a difference in the lives of so many youngsters. Patti will truly be missed.

August 11 at 1:01 PM

SC

Sheila Cohen posted:

Patti and I used to discuss our daughters and share stories of their treatment for ms. She was so happy to have a grandchild.

August 11 at 12:13 PM

EK

Evalyn Katz posted:

We are so shocked to hear about Patti. We were residents of Williamsville before we all retired to Florida. I remember Patti telling me how quickly her house was sold on Cottonwood and they were renting in Florida very near to where we had bought our Florida home. Next thing I knew , I saw both Dick and Patti shopping in Home Depot in Florida and we once again had another lengthy conversation. That was the way it was. Patti was always easy and eager to share what was going on in her life. Friendly and open.Sincere condolences to Dick and the family.Evalyn & Neil Katz

August 11 at 9:19 AM

MK

Michele Kiener posted:

I had the pleasure of teaching kindergarten in the room next store to Patti's for 7 years. Patti was always an effervescent teacher who adored every student who walked in her door. Her boundless energy and enthusiasm were inspiring. She was a devoted friend who always had your back, and like the Dr Seuss characters she so adored, she always made those around her laugh and smile. You will be missed, Patti. God Bless and Rest In Peace.Michele Kiener

August 11 at 6:29 AM



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AI

Alison Insinna posted:

2 days ago I googled Patti to find her number and call her while we are in Florida... 2 days ago she was dying and I had no idea... I am so incredibly sad to hear that she is gone.. she was so dynamic and full of life. I last saw her as she prepared to retire from teaching. She was apologizing to me for retiring the year before my youngest entered kindergarten. She taught my oldest son, and my twins four years later. As a teacher she amazed me with her energy, her total commitment to her students. I couldn't believe the things she would do with her kindergarteners, what she was able to accomplish with them. As a teacher myself and the daughter of 2 educators, I know how much hard work it took to run a classroom the way she did. With the twins I served as room mother for her class, we became close, she felt like family. When I found out she was moving to Fla we truly thought we would be able to reconnect because we spend a lot of time in the area. Missed calls, emails and text messages didn't seem like that big a deal when I thought we had so much more time. Two days ago I found her number, and even today I thought, I should really give her a call before we head home to Buffalo. A fb friend commented on her daughter's post, and I can't even believe that she is gone. Just a few days ago my son who is going to be 16 said that she was his favorite teacher in all of elementarySchool. My kids are going to be so sad as well. She spoke about Jodi and Jason to me all the time, I know she was incredibly proud of both of you. Please accept my most heartfelt condolences, she was an incredible woman, she will be greatly missed. -Alison Insinna

August 10 at 7:06 PM

EW

Elinor And Joel Weiss posted:

Our deepest sympathies to Dick and the entire family. Patti's passion for education was evident as was her love for her students in Clarence.Elinor and Joel Weiss

August 10 at 6:24 PM

MS

Marilyn Schillroth posted:

Patti was a wonderful friend; I credit her for my wonderful college experiences. She got me interested in the sorority we both joined, we were together in many of our elementary education classes, and she and I visited each other's homes (Mine here in Buffalo, hers in New York City). We kept up with our friendship throughout the years, and always had a good time "catching up". Please know I am so sad and am thinking about all of you with love and sympathy. Marilyn Rutstein Schillroth

August 10 at 4:55 PM



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BS

Beverly Schenker posted:

Patti was such a positive, happy influence. Barry and I have wonderful Friday night dinner memories from Buffalo. Our sincere condolences. Bev and Barry Schenker

August 10 at 4:25 PM

MP

Melissa Pagano posted:

My family & I send our condolences & deepest sympathy, my daughter Alannah was a student in Mrs. Sperling's last kindergarten class. She made a lasting impression not only on my daughter but myself as well. Mrs. Sperling gifted our daughter a fish on the last day of school in honor of her favorite author Dr. Seuss it lived for 2 years!! Her memory will continue to live on at her Sheridan Hill Elementary family!

August 10 at 2:59 PM

SE

Steven Earing posted:

So sorry for the loss of Patti Sperling, especially for the family she leaves behind, only got to see cousins Richard and Patti sparingly over the years as we lived far apart, but it was nice getting to catch up with them a couple times after they moved to Florida..she was taken from the world too soon, may God rest her soul, and may Jason, Jodie and her husband remember all the good times they shared...

August 10 at 1:24 PM



Memories only last if you share them

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



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