



Obituary

Born: Friday, October 24, 1958

Died: Wednesday, November 21, 2018

Patricia Ann Craig, 60, of Chicago, IL died at 4:40 p.m. Wednesday, November 21st in Illinois Masonic Hospital, Chicago. Patricia was born October 24, 1958 in South Bend, IN to the late Elizabeth A. (Pflum) and Dr. George Brownlee Craig, Jr. On August 16, 2003 in South Bend she married Patrick J. Maguire who survives. Also surviving are her son, Patrick Maguire (Kelley) of Carmel, IN; her daughter, Melissa Seeman (Nick) of Joliet, IL; grandchildren, Aniston and Gavin Seeman and Teagan and Devin Maguire; sister, Sarah Craig (Bill Pratt) of Niles, MI; nieces and nephews, Madalynn Peterek, Lindsay Craig, Mitchell Peterek (Camille), Dustan Craig, Maureen Craig, Tyler Peterek, and Sean Craig; and sister-in-law, Roberta Craig of Niles, MI. She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, Mary Craig; and brother, James Craig.

Service Summary

Visitation

4:00 PM to 8:00 PM, Thu Nov 29, 2018

Cleveland Rd. Location

17033 Cleveland Road
South Bend, IN 46635

Mass of Christian Burial

9:30 AM Fri Nov 30, 2018

Basilica of the Sacred Heart

Campus of Notre Dame
Notre Dame, IN 46556

Patricia was a middle child born the third of four children and the middle daughter of three. Because of that, Patricia was a strong competitor and many of her friends over the years experienced her heathy debate skills.

Since Patricia was in the second grade she only wanted to be an architect. It was a challenge since at the time no girls were allowed in drafting classes in school. Her parents had to petition the school system to allow her to take drafting and she had to test out of Home Ec. It was a constant battle for her being a woman in a male dominated field in the construction trades. This experience and growing up seeing her father fight for women's and human rights made her a strong advocate for the same. She was accepted to the Notre Dame Architecture program with high honors. She first practiced in Washington DC then moved to Chicago where she eventually started her own firm: Craig & Associates Architects. She was semi-retired when she passed but just could not stop doing what she loved – designing and debating a healthy argument about structure.

In 1995 she met the puzzle piece to her life, Pat Maguire. The two were fast friends as they had everything in common and Pat fit into the Craig family perfectly. They complemented each other as he is an impeccably skilled tradesman and she the designer. Though they sometimes had heated arguments, neither wanted to ever be without the other. Pat with his Irish brogue would have his audience laughing in stitches and Patricia would just roll her eyes. No one could imagine one without the other. When joining their families, Patricia gained two incredible children, Patrick and Melissa Maguire. She loved them and helped shape them into the wonderful

adults and parents they are today.

Patricia was an incredibly gracious woman, especially when it came to her family, creating memories for her nieces and nephews that will last a lifetime. On the 11th birthday of all seven of her nieces and nephews she treated each of them to personal trips to Ireland to show them a new country and culture, one that she held dear to her heart.

Over the course of her very successful career she received many accolades for her building designs; works of art that are left for us to enjoy. Some of her accomplishments include being asked to be the first Architect in Chicago to design a Cooking Light Magazine Fit House, and her last major masterpiece can be seen in New Buffalo at 10 Peninsula Drive for all to see and appreciate. Interwoven with her passion for design and architecture was a strong sense of civic engagement and responsibility. She was actively engaged in many community organizations throughout Chicago; and served on the board of directors for the Counseling Center of Lakeview, the Lakeview Chamber of Commerce, the West Lakeview Neighbors, in addition to numerous others.

She loved Notre Dame and Notre Dame football. For years Pat and Patricia along with her sister Sarah would host elaborate tailgate parties every home game. The parties became legendary as classmates, relatives and friends would plan their trips to Notre Dame around the tailgate schedule.

Patricia's happy place was always her family cottage at Camp Hazelhurst in southwestern Michigan where she spent the summers with family and every weekend as an adult. She donated many, many countless design and construction hours to club buildings never taking any compensation whatsoever. Patricia gave freely of her time, talent and energy. In addition to donating her architectural and design skills, she served on the Prairie Club Board of Directors along with numerous other committees over the years.

She will be dearly missed by her family; Pat, the love of her life; her sister Sarah who idolized Patricia her entire life; her children, nieces and nephews whose lives are forever changed by her love and influence. As her sister Mary wrote before she died, "Remember me with a smile, not a tear."

A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 9:30 a.m. Friday, November 30th in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, on the campus of the University of Notre Dame. The family will receive friends on Thursday, November 29th from 4 until 8 p.m. in the Welsheimer Family Funeral Home North, 17033 Cleveland Rd, IN. Memorial Contributions in Patricia's name may be made to The Prairie Club of Chicago, prairieclub@sbcglobal.net. Family and friends may leave email condolences at www.welsheimer.com.

Charitable donations may be made in Patricia's memory to the following organization:

The Prairie Club of Chicago,

In Patricia's name.

<http://prairieclub@sbcglobal.net>