



## Melba P. "Pat" Wernle

May 24, 1938 - May 22, 2018

Melba P. "Pat" Wernle, age 79 of Highland, IL, died Tuesday, May 22, 2018, at Saint Joseph's Hospital in Highland, IL.

She was born on Tuesday, May 24, 1938, in Greenville, IL, the daughter of John H. and Golda A. (nee Tipsword) Farley.

She was a member of VFW Auxilitary to Post #5694 and a former member of Highland Country Club.

Pat was born in Greenville, IL, and grew up in Pocahontas, IL. She was a graduate of Greenville High School. After high school, she lived in Greenville, IL, and worked at DeMoulin Bros and Company. She moved to Milan, IL and helped her husband operating Subway Tavern in Bettendorf, Iowa. She also worked at a candy factory, while living in Milan, IL. She moved back to Greenville, IL, and then to Highland, IL, in 1973. She worked at Devtron for a number of years. In her retirement, she painted in oils and sketched. She was a wonderful seamstress. She was an avid antique collector. She was a loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother that enjoyed watching their sporting events.

Survivors include:

Daughter - Barbara M. (Randy) Gelly, Trenton, IL

Daughter - Pamela S. Frey, Highland, IL  
Grandchild - Aaron R. (Dr. Bonnie) Gelly, Highland, IL  
Grandchild - Matthew C. (Cara) Gelly, Highland, IL  
Grandchild - Mallary P. Frey, Highland, IL  
Grandchild - Stephanie M. (Promised To - Brandon R. Merkle) Frey, Highland,  
IL  
Grandchild - Dylan L. Frey, Saint Rose, IL  
Grandchild - Tyler J. Gelly, Trenton, IL  
Great Grandchild - Kenzie M. Gelly  
Great Grandchild - Lexa A. Gelly  
Great Grandchild - Brenden M. Gelly  
Great Grandchild - Blake M. Gelly  
Great Grandchild - Boston R. Gelly  
Great Grandchild - Karigan J.P. Gelly, Highland, IL  
Brother - Ronald D. (Betty) Farley, Sr., Pocahontas, IL  
Sister - Lucille Mills, Florida

She was preceded in death by:

Father - John H. Farley - Died 07/1974  
Mother - Golda A. Farley, nee Tipsword - Died 01/03/1988  
Ex-Husband - William D. Wernle - Died 3/05/2010  
Brother - Robert G. Farley - Died 4/14/1982  
Brother - John "Jack" Farley  
Brother - Francis D. "Frank" Farley - Died 6/11/1996  
Sister - Betty J. Clayton - 4/18/1984  
Sister - Helen J. Teter Gibson - Died 12/08/2012  
Sister - Infant Farley

Arrangements are being handled by Spengel-Boulanger Funeral Home in  
Highland, IL.

Visitation will be held from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM on Friday, May 25, 2018, at First Baptist Church in Highland, IL.

Memorial Services will be at 11:00 AM on Friday, May 25, 2018, at First Baptist Church in Highland, IL, with Rev. Rob Kirbach, pastor of First Baptist Church, Highland, IL, officiating.

Interment will be at Highland City Cemetery in Highland, IL.

Memorial contributions may be made to To The Family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 25. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church  
2709 Poplar Street  
Highland, IL 62249  
(618) 654-4145

## Memorial Service

MAY 25. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JW

“ Took care of her at Alhambra, she had her own way of doing things for her, the way her lunch was set up etc. and how you dressed her as well. She was feisty for sure loved her.

Judy(clark) weiss - May 26, 2018 at 04:24 PM

DA

“ Barb,

So sorry to hear about your mom. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.

Debbie Addington - May 25, 2018 at 10:02 AM

WH

“ Barb and Pam, so sorry to hear about your Mom. Always loved camping with all of you guys. She was a good painter, I remember the time we we're all camping down south at Teal Pond and she whipped out her easel and painted a wonderful picture of that pond. Take care.

Wes Holzinger - May 24, 2018 at 08:07 PM

TM

“ Take care, Christina Mahl purchased the Blue Caribbean Bouquet for the family of Melba P. "Pat" Wernle.



Take care, Christina Mahl - May 24, 2018 at 03:28 PM

PB

“ *Pam I'll be thinking of you today sorry for your loss..see ya soon.*

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**Pam bauer** - May 24, 2018 at 06:34 AM