



## Patricia Lowder Ribelin

March 14, 1950 - September 7, 2010

On September 7th, 2010, God requested Patricia Ribelin's service in his heavenly paradise. Patricia had courageously and determinedly fought her battle with cancer and answered God's request with grace and peace with her husband, son and daughter-in-law by her side.

Born March 14, 1950, Patricia was the daughter of A.B and Frances Lowder. She graduated from Boyden High School and attended East Carolina University. Patricia was employed as an x-ray technician for many years before moving with her husband to Honduras. Upon return to the United States, she lived near Key West and later in Harlingen, Texas where she worked in advertising. Another foreign move to Ecuador and then Brazil was followed by her return home where she was the co-owner of Signature Jewelry in downtown Salisbury. Patricia was an extremely talented artist, cook and a devoted friend. Throughout her life she was the most loving, caring, supportive and enduring mother, wife, sister and friend anyone could ask for.

Patricia was dedicated to her church and her mission of helping others through teaching a Sunday School class of senior women and coaching a church sponsored Upward Soccer team. She also ministered to disadvantaged children in Mazatlan, Mexico by delivering food and clothing to orphanages. Patricia lived each day of her life to the glory of God and touched the lives of all those she came in contact with.

She was preceded in death by her parents. Those left to cherish her memory are her husband Ben, son Austin and his wife Hallie, and brother Richard Lowder.

In addition to living on in the memories of all who knew her, Patricia's courage, devotion and fire will continue on through the creation of the Patricia Ribelin Foundation, being established to support research into bridging conventional and naturopathic treatment of cancer.

The family will receive visitors at Summersett Funeral Home Saturday evening, September 11th from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. A funeral service will be conducted Sunday, September 12th at Enon Baptist Church at 2:00 p.m. followed by a brief service at Rowan Memorial Gardens.

Memorials may be made through Enon Baptist Church to the Patricia Ribelin Foundation, 1875 Enon Church Road, Salisbury, NC 28147.

On line condolences may be made at [www.summersettfuneralhome.com](http://www.summersettfuneralhome.com)

# Tribute Wall



“ Please know our thoughts and prayers and love will be with you and your family always. David and Karen Wood & Family###imported-begin##David Wood###imported-end##

September 18, 2010 at 05:31 PM



“ ben,

*i had no idea patsy was even sick. it seems like i just saw her at the farmhouse restaurant. i'm so sorry. this cancer is such an awful disease. so glad to hear about the patricia ribelin foundation. please know our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. pam & hodge coffield.###imported-begin##pam coffield###imported-end##*

September 15, 2010 at 09:36 PM



“ I was so saddened to hear about Patricia. I will always remember how helpful and patient she was with me and Betty Jordan picking out the design for the wonderful bracelets we bought from her. She was a wife, mother and friend to be proud of. Bless you, Krista Watts###imported-begin##Krista S. Watts###imported-end##

September 15, 2010 at 06:52 PM



“ Just heard your sad news. Will sure miss having dear Patsy around. She really a gem. My best to you guys.###imported-begin##Betsy Webster###imported-end##

September 14, 2010 at 02:55 AM



“ You are in our thoughts and prayers. We pray that God's peace be with you and comfort you.###imported-begin##John and Joan Vest###imported-end##

September 13, 2010 at 07:31 PM



“ Patsy, you touched my life as a sister. Your loving care positively led me toward the right path and you have left a loving spot in my heart. This is why my heart aches because you are gone, I will miss you and remember you.....until we meet again, love you, ma###imported-begin###mary ann martinelli###imported-end##

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September 11, 2010 at 04:43 PM



“ Ben, Austin & Hallie  
So sorry in the loss of your mom. You all have been in our prayers and thoughts for quite a while now and will remain. Your mom was quite a fighter and sure was an inspiration to those of us fighting and surviving that horrible disease "cancer." Love the Patricia Ribelin Foundation idea to bridge conventional and naturopathic treatment for cancer.###imported-begin###Mike & Debbie Heilig###imported-end##

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September 10, 2010 at 10:33 PM



“ Dear Ben and Austin,  
We were so sorry to hear about Patsy when Allyn called the other evening. We will never forget her kindness when we were unloading the moving van in June 1995. She walked over to our house with Austin and asked if Allyn would like to go with them to soccer try outs. Allyn was so thrilled, and that was the beginning of the wonderful friendship between our two sons. Patsy was so kind to Allyn along with you, Ben. We are so thankful that she opened her heart to our son and welcomed him in your home over the years.

We are out of town this week and part of next but wanted you to know we were thinking of you.

Love and prayers,

Joy and John Steele###imported-begin###Joy and John Steele###imported-end##

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September 10, 2010 at 03:54 PM



“ Ben, our hearts go out to you and Austin in Patricia's death. We have such fond memories of you and Pat while we lived in Salisbury. Please know that you are in our prayers.###imported-begin###Nan and Vernon Jones###imported-end##

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September 10, 2010 at 01:19 PM



“ Ben,

*My thoughts are with you during this sad time. Our time here is very precious and Patricia spent her time doing what she loved.##imported-begin##Sue Ribelin-Harms##imported-end##*

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September 10, 2010 at 04:57 AM