



## Patricia Cantrell

May 18, 1938 - April 27, 2023

Patricia Ann Cantrell, 84, a longtime resident of Miami, Oklahoma peacefully passed away on Thursday evening, April 27, 2023, surrounded by loving family members.

Pat was born May 18, 1938, in Picher, Oklahoma to James Thomas (Tommy) Smith and Dorothy Valentine (Williams) Smith-Hill. She graduated from Miami High School, class of 1956 and shortly thereafter, married the love of her life, H. E. "Gene" Cantrell, Jr. Being a Marine's wife, she found herself moving numerous times across the country and bravely enduring separations due to deployments and Vietnam. Throughout it all, she was a dedicated housewife and loving mother to her children. They eventually returned to Miami in late 1979 following her husband's retirement and, once an empty nester, Pat eventually found herself at the First National Bank's customer service department where she worked for 20 years, retiring in June 2000.

Pat loved animals, especially the extended family's dogs. She enjoyed crafting, needlepoint, sewing, flower gardening, casino gaming and watching a variety of shows such as Judge Judy, Family Feud, and anything on the Animal Planet channel. But, most of all, she loved her children, grandchildren and, most recently, her great-grandchildren. When visiting her home, the first thing you generally would notice was her "Hall(way) of Fame" showcasing dozens and dozens of framed photos of all the "kids" and their special events,

covering the walls, floor to ceiling. In her words, “the word ‘grand’ says it all!”

Pat was truly an amazing and devoted mother, grandma, and great-grandma. It’s hard to imagine a world without her in it. She was beautiful inside and out, a friend to many, and the epitome of class. Although she is missed terribly, everyone should be thankful she is at peace now. She passed away surrounded by love and her family is forever grateful for that.

The family would like to express their thankfulness to the staff at Windridge Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Miami and Good Shepard Hospice of Grove. The attentive, compassionate, comforting care and support they provided, not only to our mother but to the family as well, was amazing and made Mom’s remaining days as peaceful as possible.

Pat is preceded in passing by her husband Gene, her father Tommy, her step-father Joseph Riley “Joe” Hill, her mother Dorothy, her brother Joseph Merle “Joe” Hill, and her sister Roberta Marlene (Smith) Watson. Those left to share and celebrate Patricia’s memory are her sons, Bradley Cantrell and his spouse Vonnie of Broken Arrow, Brian Cantrell and his spouse Daryl of Tulsa, her daughter, Brenda Ellis of Miami, her grandchildren: Patrick, Amy, Blake, Hayden, and Jennifer, along with her six great-grandchildren.

A visitation with family and Celebration of Life will be held 5:00 to 7:00 pm, Thursday, May 4, 2023, at Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami. A Rosary will be held at 10:30 am, followed immediately by a Funeral Mass at 11:00 on Friday, May 5, 2023, at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Miami. A private interment will be held at Glen Abbey Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Ketcher-Keheley Animal Shelter of Miami, Oklahoma.

Friends and family may send notes of condolences and encouragement by viewing Mrs. Cantrell's Tribute Page at [www.brown-winters.com](http://www.brown-winters.com). Services are under the direction of Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service in Miami.

# Cemetery Details

## Glen-Abbey Memorial Garden

58915 East 100 Road  
PO Box 1511  
Miami, OK 74355  
(918) 919-9904

# Previous Events

## Visitation

**MAY 4.** 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service  
122 South Main  
Afton, OK 74331  
(918) 257-8877  
info@brown-winters.com  
<http://www.brown-winters.com>

## Vigil Service and Rosary

**MAY 5.** 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church  
2515 North Main  
Miami, OK 74354  
sacredheartmiami@cableone.net  
<http://www.dioceseoftulsa.org/index.cfm?load=org&org=51>

## Mass of Christian Burial

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MAY 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

2515 North Main

Miami, OK 74354

sacredheartmiami@cableone.net

<http://www.dioceseoftulsa.org/index.cfm?load=org&org=51>

# Tribute Wall



“ *Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service created a Tribute Video in memory of Patricia Cantrell*



**Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service** - May 04, 2023 at 09:07 AM



“ *123 files added to the album LifeTributes*



**Brown-Winters Funeral Home and Cremation Service** - May 03, 2023 at 06:28 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Patricia Cantrell.*



May 03, 2023 at 06:24 PM



“ *Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Patricia Cantrell.*



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May 02, 2023 at 05:19 PM



“ *We counted money every Sunday at Sacred Heart church for years and I got to know Pat as an endearing friend. She liked eggnog very much so every time I see that word I think of her and miss her.*

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**Joanne Widner** - April 30, 2023 at 04:10 PM



“ *I am very sorry for your lose, Pat was such a lovely person. I loved her smile and how she was always willing to help us with projects at church, She would always lite up when talking about you and loved babysitting the dogs. I know you will miss her greatly, but I also know you will have some wonderful memories of her.*

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**Karen Painter** - April 30, 2023 at 12:52 PM