



## Patricia M. Vatcher

May 10, 1933 - April 3, 2020

Somersworth - Patricia Mildred Vatcher, 86, of Somersworth, died in her sleep at home on April 3, 2020, after a long period of failing health.

She was born on May 10, 1933, in Exeter, to Vinton Leon and Mildred Aida (Connolly) Yeaton.

She was predeceased by her parents and her brother, Vinton "Vinny" Yeaton and her dogs: Heidi, Rusty, and Tess.

Pat attended Robinson Seminary in Exeter, back when the boys and girls went to separate schools. After high school she briefly attended UNH and was active in the Navy WAVES. She was a switchboard operator back when such things existed, having worked for many years at Weiss-Lawrence and then Davidson-Textron in Dover. She also handled corporate travel for Davidson and could find great travel deals.

She was active in the community, having served for a number of years on the Somersworth School Board and was active in the local Republican Party. After she retired, she volunteered her time for many organizations. In addition to hours of service for Frisbie Memorial Hospital, she volunteered her time at NH Public TV for many years, especially around the annual fundraising auctions in May, where she was known as "Sister Mary Pat".

She judged the Manchester Union Leader spelling bees, volunteered for the American Cancer Society, and judged Christmas light displays in Dover, NH, before they were as elaborate as they can be today. She was a member of the Dover Jaycettes and "The Group" that continued to meet off and on. She enjoyed being with friends and family, and especially enjoyed her grandchildren and great grandchildren. She enjoyed traveling and visited Alaska, the United Kingdom, the Desert Southwest, and other places. One of her favorite pastimes was watching the birds while enjoying her morning coffee.

She is survived by her daughters Jo-Ann of Rochester, NH, Dianne West and her husband, Robert, of Rochester, and Toni of Scottsdale, Arizona; their father, Paul Vatcher of Rochester, NH; 4 grandchildren: Julia Walsworth and her husband, Michael of Lebanon, Maine; Jacob West of Somersworth; Samuel and his wife, Hannah, of New Durham, NH; Emily Haley and her husband, Anthony of Jacksonville, NC; and 7 great-grandchildren (with one in the oven!) and many nephews and nieces.

A private graveside service for family is planned with a celebration of her life anticipated at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to Tri-City Christian Academy, 150 West High Street, Somersworth, NH 03878 or Yankee Golden Retriever Rescue (<https://www.ygrr.org/product/operating-fund-donation/>) PO Box 808, Hudson, Massachusetts 01749.

# Cemetery Details

## West View Cemetery

Hampton Falls, NH

# Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia M. Vatcher*

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September 18, 2022 at 12:49 AM



“ *So sorry to hear about Mom. My deepest sympathy.*

*Sincerely,*

*Pat Strogen*

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**Pat Strogen** - April 20, 2020 at 08:10 PM



“ *Our deepest sympathy and prayers go out to Pat, Jo-Ann, Toni, Dianne, and families. I fondly remember that as a “wee lad” all “us kids” would gather at the Vatcher backyard on Rt 108 ( Rt 16 then) to swing, play baseball, hide-and-seeek and other pastimes. I remember Pat always had nicely maintained flower gardens that she took pride in. She was always soft-spoken and kind to me .... even when my behavior must have tried her patience. She was a good lady ... may she Rest In Peace with the Lord.*

*Dale ( and Andrea) Bickford*

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**Dale Bickford** - April 05, 2020 at 10:33 AM