



## Patricia R. Thies

May 13, 1975 - January 5, 2026

Patricia R. Thies, 50, passed away on Monday, January 5, 2026 at her home in Vernon Hills, IL. She was born May 13, 1975 in Park Ridge, IL and had been a longtime resident of Vernon Hills. Patricia attended St. John Lutheran School in her grade school years, was a lifelong member of the church and enjoyed singing in the choir. She was a 1993 graduate of Shoreland Lutheran High School in Somers, WI and attended Wisconsin Lutheran College in Milwaukee. Patricia was a beloved school bus driver and loved all the children throughout the years. She enjoyed crafting and singing and performed the National Anthem at many events, including Relay for Life.

Surviving are her parents, James & Jeanne Thies; 4 siblings, Kristine (Ed) Grasse, James E. Thies, Megan (the late Rod) Wittig & Jeffrey (Alicia) Thies; 6 nieces & nephews, Robert & Alexis Grasse, Kaitlyn & Lauryn Wittig and Michael & Matthew Thies and many loving uncles, aunts & cousins.

A special thank you to Advocate Hospice, especially Sybil & Lauren for their supreme compassion and care during a difficult time.

A visitation will begin at 10:00 a.m. Followed by a service at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, January 17, 2026 at St. John Lutheran Church, 501 W. Park Ave. in Libertyville. In lieu of flowers donations would be appreciated to St. John Lutheran Church; My Best Friends Foundation, [www.mybestfriends.foundation](http://www.mybestfriends.foundation); Shoreland Lutheran High School, [www.slhs.us](http://www.slhs.us) or Rolling Thunder, Rolling Thunder, Chapter 2 C/o Thaddeus Makarewitz, 33 N LaSalle St, Suite 2000, Chicago, IL 60602. For info: 847-362-3009 or share

a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 17. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church  
501 W. Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL

## Funeral Service

JAN 17. 11:00 AM (CT)

St. John Lutheran Church  
501 W. Park Avenue  
Libertyville, IL

# Tribute Wall

KC

“ I met Patricia through Relay For Life. She was such a caring person and was always trying to make the world a better place with her gifts. I am so glad she was able to sing the National Anthem at our Relay last June. She will be missed but we will light a luminaria in her honor. Kiyoko Czech

Kiyoko Czech - January 16 at 08:30 PM

SH

“ During my senior year at WLC, I was blessed to be Tricia's RA, when she was a freshman. We reconnected a few years ago, when her cancer returned. Through many phone conversations and visits, through which I meant to encourage and comfort her, Tricia repeatedly comforted and encouraged me. When we talked about the "why me?" question, which often hits us when we are struggling, she responded, "why NOT me?" Wow. There is so much we simply don't understand this side of eternity, and Tricia could accept that. And now, she is with her Savior. Hallelujah! Thank you, Jesus, for the gift of Patricia Thies! Thank you for bringing her home to you!

Sarah Hahm - January 16 at 05:00 PM

KF

“ Kathy Jirasek, Rachel, Sarah & Families purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Patricia R. Thies.



Kathy Jirasek, Rachel, Sarah & Families - January 14 at 08:29 AM

AI

“ *Atomatic Mechanical Services, Inc. purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Patricia R. Thies.*



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**Atomatic Mechanical Services, Inc.** - January 13 at 09:29 AM

ME

“ *Jeanne and James, I'm so sorry to read of your daughters passing. I saw Wisconsin Lutheran College asking for prayers on Facebook. I remember at one reunion you mentioned that she had been ill. The victory is hers. Praying for peace, comfort and strength to you and your family. Marilyn and Dennis Eirich.*

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**Marilyn Eirich** - January 12 at 07:08 PM

JJ

“ *I have to say Tricia really was a caring person. Right before Dale went into hospice she came to Arlington Heights Community hospital and gave Dale a blanket she had made for him while she was fighting this cruel disease. She finally got her reward and is standing in the presence of Jesus. I am sending condolences to the family. PSALM 147:3 GOD HEALS THE BROKENHEARTED; AND BINDS UP THEIR WOUNDS. This same verse has helped me when Dale first went home to Jesus.*

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**Janine Jessup** - January 09 at 11:44 PM

JJ

“ *STANDING ON THE PROMISES*---is a song I remember Tricia brought to a family gathering at her Uncle Russ & Aunt Pat's house. Aunt Pat played it & we stood all around the organ & sang it.

1) *Standing on the promises of Christ my King,  
Through eternal ages let His praises ring.  
Glory in the highest, I will shout and sing,  
Standing on the promises of God*

*Refrain: Standing standing, Standing on the promises of God my Savior; Standing standing I'm standing on the promises of God.*

2) *Standing on the promises that cannot fail, When the howling storms of doubt and fear assail, By the living Word of God I shall prevail, Standing on the promises of God.*

*Refrain: Standing on the promises I now can see Perfect, present cleansing in the blood for me; Standing in the liberty where Christ makes free, Standing on the promises of God.*

3) *Standing on the promises of Christ the Lord, Bound to Him eternally by love's strong cord, Overcoming daily with the Spirit's sword. Standing on the promises of God.*

*Refrain: Standing on the promises I cannot fall, Listening every moment to the Spirit's call Resting in my Savior as my all in all, Standing on the promises of God. Words & Music: R. Kelso Carter, in Promises of Perfect Love, by John Sweney and Kelso Carter. <http://www.cyberhymnal.org/html/s/o/sotpogod.htm>*

*<http://www.hymnsite.com/lyrics/umh374.sht>*

*---We sang more songs that day if I remember correctly, but we never did it as a family members gathering again---The words are so fitting now as Tricia has gone on in peace. May we all know our Dear Savior as Tricia did....*

*I was her baptism sponser 50 years ago - unfortunetly do not remember the day. This is why we are baptised so we can go to heaven & Tricia made it there Blessings for her Sincerely, Uncle Jon & Aunt Jean*

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Jon & Jean - January 08 at 11:42 PM

TF

“ *The Scislowski Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Patricia R. Thies.*



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**The Scislowski Family** - January 08 at 05:03 PM