



GRAND CHAPTER OF KANSAS
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR
IN MEMORIAM
Patricia "Pat" Claire Berry
PAST GRAND MATRON 1991-1992

Patricia Claire "Pat" (Hoffnagle) Berry, daughter of Clair and Marie (Kaiser) Hoffnagle, was born September 29, 1930, in Denver, Colorado, and passed away at the Good Samaritan Society nursing home in Hays, Kansas, on September 28, 2019, at the age of 88.

Pat grew up in Denver and graduated from East High School with the class of 1948. She joined the U.S. Navy in 1952 and served at the U. S. Naval Station, Treasure Island, San Francisco, California, until honorably discharged upon her marriage. On July 15, 1954, she and Delbert "Red" Berry were united in marriage in Denver, Colorado, and made their home in California until Delbert completed his service in the Navy. In 1955, they moved to Kansas where Delbert farmed with his father, and they lived on Bow Creek in Graham County for a short time before relocating to Lenora. After retirement, they moved to Norton.

Pat was an active member, Past Worthy Matron, and Past Worthy Grand Matron of The Grand Chapter of Kansas (1991-1992), of the Order of the Eastern Star. She served the Lenora community as a Brownie Scout Leader, a 4-H Community Leader, a member of the Lenora Library Board, a member of the Northwest Kansas Circulating Library Board, and a member of the Harmonson-Redd American Legion Post #63. A member of the Episcopal Church from her young adulthood, Pat was also active in the United Parish in Lenora for many years.

Pat worked as the Lenora High School secretary in the 1970s and 1980s, until choosing to devote more time to the travel required by her responsibilities to The Grand Chapter of Kansas. In retirement, she and Delbert traveled in the United States and internationally; and wintered in Arizona near her niece's and nephew's families for many years. Pat dearly enjoyed time spent with family and many friends.

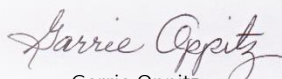
Survivors include: daughter, Dawn Berry, Hays, Kansas; nieces and nephews Thea and Bob Cable, San Tan Valley, Arizona; Ron and Arlene "Skip" Ancker, Mesa, Arizona; Steve and Joni Berry, Lenora, Kansas; Janet and David Oswalt, Lenexa, Kansas, Elizabeth and David Epperson, Minnetonka, Minnesota; John and Annette Berry, Los Angeles, California; sister-in-law Ann Berry, Minneapolis, Minnesota, 18 grand-nieces and grand-nephews, and other relatives and friends. Pat was preceded in death by her parents, sister Vivian, and husband Delbert.

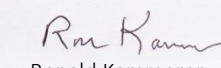
A memorial service was held Friday, October 4, 2019 at Lenora United Parish Church, Lenora, Kansas. Arrangements were by Enfield Funeral Home in Norton. Patricia has been interred at Lenora South Cemetery, Lenora, Kansas

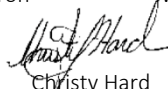
Patricia was initiated into Lenora Chapter #296 , Order of the Eastern Star on October 25, 1955, where she held a number of offices; including Worthy Matron in 1965, 1974, 1979, and 1994. She served the Grand Chapter as Grand Ruth in 1987-88, and was elected Worthy Grand Matron in 1991-1992. She and Brother Kenneth Jeffrey presided over the 116th annual "Our Prairie Heritage" session in 1992. Her theme was "Our Past is our Future" with the aim: "to learn from yesterday, so we may live for today and prepare for tomorrow. One of her honor stations was Ruth, and Sister Pat, like our heroine was faithful to the trust placed in her and loyal to all the members of our beautiful Order, extending kindness and friendship to all.

Sleep on, dear Sister, such a life as thine
Has not been lived in vain.
But shed an influence rare, divine,
On those that here remain.

As the sun has set for our beloved Past Grand Matron, we give thanks that Sister Patricia was such an important part of our OES heritage. The Grand Chapter of Kansas extends sympathy to her family and friends. In loving remembrance of our departed Past Grand Matron, please read this Memorial at the first stated meeting after its receipt and the Charter be draped for 30 days.


Garrie Oppitz
Worthy Grand Matron


Ronald Kammerer
Worthy Grand Patron


Christy Hard
Grand Secretary