



Patricia Lee Butler

October 15, 1953 - March 23, 2026

Patricia "Patti" Jo Lee Butler, 72, of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, passed away unexpectedly at her home on Monday, March 23, 2026.

Born October 15, 1953, in Conway, South Carolina, Patti was the daughter of the late Joe Dusenbury Lee and Thelma Dunn Lee. She is lovingly survived by her daughters, Kathryn Bryn Layne and her husband Doug Layne of Mebane, North Carolina, Carole-Lee Butler and her fiancé Myles Cooper of Sydney, Australia; and her sister, Debbie K. Lee of Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

Patti dedicated 30 years of her life to education as an elementary school teacher with the Horry County School District. She had a special passion for helping children learn to read and spent countless hours tutoring students, always offering patience, encouragement, and individualized support to help them succeed. Even after retirement, her love of teaching continued at Horry Georgetown Technical College.

While Patti made a lasting and meaningful impact through her work in education, it was her role as a mother that defined her most. She found her

greatest happiness in time spent with her daughters and took immense pride in the women they became. Her love, guidance, and unwavering support were the foundation of her life and will remain her most enduring legacy.

To all who knew her, Patti will be remembered for her warmth, strength, kindness, and selfless devotion to those she loved. Having lived a life filled with purpose, love, and adventure, she now rests peacefully, her heart fulfilled, and embraced by love ever lasting.

A visitation will be held at Goldfinch Funeral Home in Conway Chapel on Thursday, April 2, from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

The family will have a private service at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to United Way, 761 Century Circle, Conway, SC 29256, an organization that reflects Patti's lifelong passion for supporting others.

Sign an online guestbook at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel is in charge of arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 2. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (ET)

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Conway Chapel
606-610 Beaty Street
Conway, SC 29526

Tribute Wall

KA

“ Our sincere sympathy for the loss of your loved one. May 'the God of all comfort' be with your family at this difficult time. Psalm 46:1

Kathryn - April 10 at 06:53 PM

JG

“ Janis Gatewood lit a candle in memory of Patricia Lee Butler



Janis Gatewood - April 05 at 09:59 PM

PF

“ Phil Floyd lit a candle in memory of Patricia Lee Butler



Phil Floyd - April 03 at 07:11 AM

SR

“ Sylvia Richardson lit a candle in memory of Patricia Lee Butler



Sylvia Richardson - April 01 at 09:57 PM

AH

“ Rest in peace Ms. Butler. I requested you as my son's, Christopher Madray's, 1st grade teacher in 2005. You were an inspiration to all. Thank you for committing to the village!!!

Angela Hucks - March 31 at 08:12 PM

AL

“ Ann Dorman Lee And Steve Lee lit a candle in memory of Patricia Lee Butler



Ann Dorman Lee and Steve Lee - March 31 at 07:10 PM

LS

“ Debbie, I am so sorry for your loss. I know you will miss her. Prayers and comfort for you and her daughters. 🙏🕊️



Lyn Snyder - March 31 at 04:57 PM

DS

“ Patti was so welcoming to us when we moved back to Conway. Lots of fun times eating with our small group of friends. She was always the life of the party. Prayers for her family and all that loved her.

David Spires - March 31 at 02:42 PM

SB

“ Susan Baiden lit a candle in memory of Patricia Lee Butler



Susan Baiden - March 31 at 02:22 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Patricia Lee Butler.

March 31 at 12:08 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia Lee Butler.



March 31 at 12:08 PM

CL

“ Carol Boggs Lane lit a candle in memory of Patricia Lee Butler



carol boggs lane - March 31 at 11:21 AM

PA

“ *Debbie, Carole-Lee, and Bryn, I'm so sorry for your loss of Patti. I have fond memories of teaching together at Waccamaw, of being in the Lee family home, and with the Dunn family. I hope all your times together for birthday celebrations and holidays and other family times of happiness give you comfort during this sad time. You all were Patti's world, and she loved you so much, and I know how much you all loved her. Prayers for peace and comfort for you, and much love to you. I am imagining Patti's reunion with Mrs. Thelma and Mr. Joe, and Mrs. Rosa!*

Paula Vaught Adams - March 31 at 10:49 AM

MB

“ *Thank you for your warmth and generosity, and the Christmas mornings and family celebrations that will always be remembered.*

Matthew B - March 30 at 08:56 PM



“ *A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Patricia Lee Butler.*

March 30 at 05:50 PM



“ *In Heaven's Arms Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia Lee Butler.*



March 30 at 05:50 PM

JO

“ Sweetie, You know how much I love you, I will miss you everyday until I saw you again. Shopping and lunch.

Joyce - March 30 at 04:51 PM

JO

It's me again honey, meant see you

Joyce - March 30 at 04:54 PM

TE

Rest in peace, knowing that you made a difference in a lot of peoples lives! I will always be grateful that you were my teacher.

Teddy - March 31 at 10:42 AM