



Patricia Leshkow

September 27, 2025

Patricia Leshkow passed away on September 27, 2025, at the age of 76. “I don’t feel old” was Patricia’s common refrain to her daughter. Patricia believed that to prevent herself from becoming “old”, she had to try new things.

She loved going to cooking and painting classes with her daughter, reading history books, watching documentaries, and buying new gadgets. In addition to learning new things, Patricia was a true artist who dedicated her time to creating beautiful quilts. She designed each quilt with the recipient in mind. After selecting a print, Patricia meticulously identified the shades of the print – a task she and her daughter delighted in doing together. Patricia took no less care in selecting the backing and quilt pattern itself. To finish each quilt, Patricia hand-sewed the binding. Then, she donated her works of art. Patricia also made pillowcases for pediatric cancer patients, taking as much care to match prints to colors as she did when making a quilt.

Patricia was born in Richmond, Virginia, the eldest of five children – Patricia, Barbara, Marvin, Anita, and Carol. While a student at Radford, Patricia met Nick Leshkow, an engineering student at Virginia Tech. Patricia and Nick married on May 23, 1970, and spent 55 wonderful years together. They loved swing dancing and were often found on the dance floor at weddings. After decades of marriage, visitors to the house could still find the two dancing together in their den.

Patricia's adventurous spirit and desire to try new things – whether it was driving 100 miles for a cooking class, seeing a late-night movie, or tackling the stairs of the London Tube – is, and will always be, dearly missed and loved by her family.

Her service will be held Monday, October 6th, in Green Acres Presbyterian Church at 2:00 pm. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to the VCU Massey Comprehensive Cancer Center. <https://www.masseycancercenter.org/how-you-can-help/ways-to-give/>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

OCT 6. 2:00 PM (ET)

Green Acres Prebyterian Church
3135 Hanley Ave
Portsmouth, VA

Tribute Wall

DH

“ Nick and Katherine, I wasn't aware that Patricia had passed away. I'm so sorry. I just happened upon this obit while looking for someone else on the Loving FH website. I remember seeing you at Green Acres Presb. at another funeral not all that long ago and sat with you. May the peace of our Prince of Peace Jesus Christ bless you with His peace and comfort.

Denny Hollowell - October 26, 2025 at 07:38 PM

CM

“ Patricia and I met in first grade Sunday School and were in the same class at school too. We graduated together in 1967. We were friends for almost our whole lives. I have trouble believing she is gone. She had so much talent and was a caring, good person. God bless Nick and Katherine!

Carol Moore - October 09, 2025 at 07:20 PM

SG

“ A bookworm entering 5th grade at a new school with complete strangers in the classroom, ugh! But I was blessed to be seated by Patricia who welcomed me with the biggest, kindest smile. The connection stuck and grew! Thank you for being who you are...a warm, loving daughter of God.

Sherry Graves - October 03, 2025 at 06:52 PM

BZ

“ *B. Zirkle purchased the Country Basket Blooms
for the family of Patricia Leshkow.*



B. Zirkle - October 03, 2025 at 06:19 PM