



Pamela Roth

June 3, 1950 - December 13, 2024

Pamela Sue (Thoe) Roth, 74, of Cedar Falls, died Friday, December 13, 2024 at Pinnacle Specialty Care after a lengthy battle with breast cancer and other health complications.

She was born June 3, 1950, in Clear Lake, Iowa, the only daughter of Norwegian American parents, Emery Ulve Thoe and Gertrude Julia (Oss) Thoe. She graduated from Webster City High School, attended Iowa Central, received her Bachelor of Arts degree from Upper Iowa University and pursued graduate studies at the University of Northern Iowa. She met James K. Johnson and a few lifelong friends after moving to the Waterloo area to care for her nephews, and decided to make the Cedar Valley her home. Pam and Jim were married and welcomed both a son and daughter before later divorcing.

Pam will be remembered for her deep kindness and natural compassion. Her gentle nature came with an occasional spunky side, which could be humorous when it emerged. She was bright, beautiful, and warm. She was intrinsically motivated to care for others, to make positive change and to help people. Her love and care extended well beyond her family.

Pam was well suited for her profession, working within the field of Human Services. She cared for children in the Latchkey program at St. Nicholas

school and spent many years bringing her family along to volunteer at a weekly Cedar Valley Catholic parish community meal. Pam provided support for children and adults with special needs. She served as a volunteer mentor for teen girls involved in Juvenile Court, and was employed as a dual diagnosis substance abuse counselor through Pathways Behavioral Services.

On September 25, 2004, she was united in marriage to Roger Roth at the Little Brown Church in Nashua, IA, following a long partnership. The two happily shared nearly thirty years together before her passing.

Pam is survived by her husband, Roger of Cedar Falls; daughter, Lindsay (Brent) Buehler of Waterloo; son, Bradley (Marissa) Johnson of Cedar Rapids; three grandchildren, Milo Buehler and Kennady and Adley Johnson; and brother, Larry (Kathleen) Thoe of Fairmont, MN and five nephews; Brett, Mike, Kent, Lance, and Bryan Thoe. All will hold her memory in their hearts. Pam was preceded in death by her parents and two brothers, Gerald Thoe and Emery Richard Thoe.

A private family gathering was held at the time of her passing, with a larger celebration of life planned for January 2025. We hope that all who cared for her and those who were cared for by her will join us as we memorialize Pam and honor her life.

Tribute Wall

BT

“ Roger, Brad and Lindsay. My deepest sympathies. There are no words that can make this better. I hope you can find some comfort with all the wonderful memories of her. My thoughts and prayers are with you.
Brett

Brett Thoe - December 26, 2024 at 08:37 PM

ET

“ Many fond memories. Pam was a sweet and caring person and sister-in-law. Gone too soon. Will remember you always. With sympathy and love, Elaine Thoe

Elaine thoe - December 26, 2024 at 05:33 PM

KS

“ Pam was so sweet and beautiful inside and out. She was a classmate. She gave much of herself to help others. It's sad that she had to endure so much with her health. Her brother, Richard, married my sister. Such a great family!
I'm sorry for your loss.
Kathy Batcheller Stark

Kathy Batcheller Stark - December 26, 2024 at 12:12 PM

VN

“ Pam, Sue Burgin and I were very close friends throughout high school. We lived at the pool all summer. It was the 60's and she was so beautiful. We put Summer Blond in our hair and wished we were in California on the ocean. We would go to her house every day after school and watch the music show Paul Revier and the Raiders. We loved the music. Pam and Sue were in my wedding as bridesmaid and Maid of Honor. We lost touch when she moved to Waterloo and I moved to Des Moines. I am so grateful for our memories. So glad to read about her wonderful work experience and family. Prayers for her family. Love ya Pam❤️

Vicki Nelson - December 23, 2024 at 11:47 PM

PC

“ Pamela was a classmate of class of 1968 at Webster City High School. Pamela was always such a nice sweet girl. She was my classmate and will remember her fondly. Sympathies to her family.

Pamela Conkling - December 23, 2024 at 09:04 PM

RP

“ I remember Pam with great fondness. We spent every Thursday evening together, suffering through four years of confirmation. She was a soft-spoken sweetheart!

Rebecca Pringle - December 23, 2024 at 08:54 PM

JY

“ I’m Joann Young who has been a friend of Pam’s for a very long time.

I have never seen Jesus and have never seen Heaven, but I have read and heard a lot about them. So I walked by faith and a gut feeling. Pam too walked by faith and a gut feeling. Many times we prayed together, she would close her eyes as if to connect. A few days before she died, she asked her husband Roger, to take her home. It was more of a cry to take her back where they once were, with love, laughter, and good health. By faith, I believe Jesus intercepted that request and took her home to Heaven with Him instead, where there is no sickness, sorrow and where you live in perfect harmony and love with Jesus. By faith, I believe Pam is there.

Pam indeed was a gentle soul with a lot of compassion. I enjoyed Pam’s friendship and her natural caring personality. She was one of a kind. She will fit right in her new heavenly home. Pam until I meet up with you again peace be with you.

Joann Young - December 22, 2024 at 09:55 PM