



## Debra Ann Patterson

July 9, 1967 - June 4, 2018

Debra Ann Patterson, 50, of Kalkaska, passed away at home on Monday, June 4, 2018. She was born to Webster and Margaret (Distelrath) Patterson in St. Clair, Michigan on July 9, 1967. Debra was a 1985 Kalkaska High School graduate and worked nearly 30 years for Northwestern Michigan College. In her spare time she enjoyed photography, knitting and making greeting cards. Debra enjoyed spending time with her great niece, Isabella, reading and blowing bubbles. She will be remembered as being quiet and enjoying the simple things in life, and will be dearly missed. Debra is survived by her parents, her brothers Jeff (Teresa) Patterson and Brian Patterson, niece Heather and nephew Ryan, great niece Isabella and great nephew Zayden and many cousins. Visitation will take place on Friday, June 8, 2018 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the Kalkaska Funeral Home. A funeral service will be on Saturday, June 9, 2018 at noon with a final visitation beginning at 11:00 am in the Chapel of the Kalkaska Funeral Home. Pastor Andy Bratton of Kalkaska Church of Christ will officiate the service. Burial will take place at Evergreen Cemetery in Kalkaska. Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home and Cremation Services.

# Cemetery Details

## Evergreen Cemetery

272 West St.  
Kalkaska, MI 49646

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUN 8. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home  
152 S. Cedar  
Kalkaska, MI 49646  
(231) 258-3346

## Final Visitation

JUN 9. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home  
152 S Cedar St  
P.O. Box 1457  
Kalkaska, MI 49646

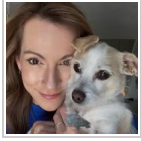
## Service

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JUN 9. 12:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Funeral Home  
152 S Cedar St  
P.O. Box 1457  
Kalkaska, MI 49646

# Tribute Wall



“ I just heard the news of Debra’s passing. I worked with her through NMC and she was just a ray of sunshine. Much, much love to your family, she will be so dearly missed.

Susan Street - July 19, 2018 at 11:09 AM



“ I am so very sorry to hear about your loss. You are all in my heart!

Brooke Anderson (Bates) - June 09, 2018 at 03:16 PM



“ Sherry Winstead lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Sherry Winstead - June 08, 2018 at 09:10 PM



“ Megan Heator lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Megan Heator - June 08, 2018 at 02:36 PM

HG

“ *Deb was a special person to all of us at NMC and will be greatly missed, both by me personally and the entire NMC family.*



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**Holly Gorton** - June 08, 2018 at 10:59 AM

RI

“ *Rita lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson*



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**Rita** - June 08, 2018 at 08:29 AM

DM

“ *Pat and Margaret, we are so sorry to hear about your daughters passing. Although we did not know her, we know she was the joy of your life. Debra will be missed by you, but all the memories will keep her alive in you.*  
*Condolences , Don and Sue McCoy*

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**Donald McCoy** - June 07, 2018 at 06:13 PM

RW

“ *Rhonda Wagenschutz lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson*



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**Rhonda Wagenschutz** - June 07, 2018 at 03:35 PM

DC

“ No words can truly described the loss we all feel. Debra was the one person I could always count on to brighten up any day with her wit and ability to make me smile and laugh. Such a shining star who's after glow will continue to touch our hearts and souls. God has received an angel, the same angel that answered the phone hundreds upon hundreds of time - an angels voice that will haunt me forever (that is the way Debra would have wanted it!). We love and miss you.

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**Don Cunningham** - June 07, 2018 at 02:32 PM

NF

“ NMC University Center Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.



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**NMC University Center Family** - June 07, 2018 at 02:15 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.



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June 07, 2018 at 11:12 AM

JD

“ Janet Daniels lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Janet Daniels - June 07, 2018 at 10:46 AM

MH

“ Marsha Harris-Ricevuto lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Marsha Harris-Ricevuto - June 07, 2018 at 07:29 AM

JA

“ Jackie Abeyta lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Jackie Abeyta - June 06, 2018 at 11:39 PM

GB

“ Pat, Margaret, Jeff, Teresa, Brian and family, I am so sorry for your loss. Praying for Comfort in this most difficult time. Gail Burkhart

Gail Burkhart - June 06, 2018 at 11:20 PM

GB

“ Gail Burkhart lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Gail Burkhart - June 06, 2018 at 11:16 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.



June 06, 2018 at 09:05 PM

RT

“ Debra was my student, my employee, and my colleague at NMC for many years. She had amazing skills - especially interpersonal ones. I could always count on her to master a new software package quickly, to do complicated work that I could not do. But more important, when I had a highly confidential project, I trusted her completely and she was my go-to to get it done. She always smiled. She always did incredibly accurate and professional work. Word of her passing stuns me and I wish peace for her and those many friends and family members she left behind. Debra was a very special person.



Roberta Teahen - June 06, 2018 at 07:54 PM

PU

“ Penny Underhill-Keenan lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Penny Underhill-Keenan - June 06, 2018 at 07:44 PM

JD

“ My heart is heavy with this news. Debra was such a generous and talented person who quietly touched the lives of so many. I was happy to call her my friend and will miss her greatly.



Julie Doyal - June 06, 2018 at 07:19 PM

SD

“ Susan Denoyer lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Susan Denoyer - June 06, 2018 at 03:20 PM

JM

“ Julie McLean lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Julie McLean - June 06, 2018 at 01:31 PM

FC

“ *Facilities-Sodexo, Northwestern Michigan College purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.*



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**Facilities-Sodexo, Northwestern Michigan College** - June 06, 2018 at 01:11 PM

FN

“ *From the Academic Office Managers at NMC purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.*



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**From the Academic Office Managers at NMC** - June 06, 2018 at 12:45 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.*



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June 06, 2018 at 11:44 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.*



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June 06, 2018 at 11:27 AM



“ Antonio Poli lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



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Antonio Poli - June 06, 2018 at 11:26 AM

JD

“ Uncle Pat, Aunt Margaret, Jeff, Teresa, and Brian,

*I have very happy memories of playing and growing up with Debbie at Grandpa & Grandma Distelrath's farm when the Keller family would visit on Sundays. We always looked forward to seeing each other at the summer family reunions and when our Patterson cousins would come to visit us for the day on our summer vacations to Houghton Lake. These times were wonderful family celebrations that I'm sure all the Distelrath cousins fondly remember and treasure. In our older years, I enjoyed sharing stories of our mutual crafting hobbies. It was always so nice to get one of her beautiful handmade cards in the mail. May God bring you comfort and peace in your hearts as you prepare to celebrate her life with family and friends.*

*Joanne (Keller) Dixon*

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Joanne (Keller) Dixon - June 06, 2018 at 10:51 AM

CD

“ Cindy Duby lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



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Cindy Duby - June 06, 2018 at 09:58 AM

AS

“ Alice Sluss lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Alice Sluss - June 06, 2018 at 09:34 AM

SN

“ Sodexo Team - NMC purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.



Sodexo Team - NMC - June 06, 2018 at 08:37 AM

Kathy Wilkinson

“ Kathy Wilkinson lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Kathy Wilkinson - June 06, 2018 at 08:37 AM

LR

“ Lisa Rollin lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Lisa Rollin - June 06, 2018 at 07:46 AM

DP

“ *Donna Palmer lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson*



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**Donna Palmer** - June 06, 2018 at 07:45 AM



“ *Vicki Rumbach lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson*



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**Vicki Rumbach** - June 06, 2018 at 06:30 AM

VS

“ *Vicki Scott lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson*



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**Vicki Scott** - June 06, 2018 at 06:02 AM

DW

“ *Denise (McLean) Wynn lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson*



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**Denise (McLean) Wynn** - June 05, 2018 at 11:02 PM

SB

“ *Sandy Barnum lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson*



Sandy Barnum - June 05, 2018 at 10:30 PM

BK

“ *Bill and Laurie Karpuk purchased the Lily and Rose Tribute Spray for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.*



Bill and Laurie Karpuk - June 05, 2018 at 09:01 PM



“ *Large Basket Garden was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.*



June 05, 2018 at 08:32 PM

TA

“ *Tammie Allen-Fettig lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson*



Tammie Allen-Fettig - June 05, 2018 at 08:30 PM

SO

“ Thinking of Deb's family.  
I knew her for 30 years.  
She was one of the quiet giants that made NMC hum.  
She will be missed and remembered.  
Susan Odgers

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**Susan Odgers** - June 05, 2018 at 08:01 PM

CK

“ Cheryl Kampa lit a candle in memory of  
Debra Ann Patterson



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**Cheryl Kampa** - June 05, 2018 at 07:12 PM

JR

“ Jan Root lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann  
Patterson



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**Jan Root** - June 05, 2018 at 05:04 PM

SB

“ Sandy And Dave Barnum lit a candle in  
memory of Debra Ann Patterson



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**Sandy and Dave Barnum** - June 05, 2018 at 03:23 PM

DJ

“ So very saddened to hear of Debra's passing. Loved her laugh and the way her face would light up. She held family and friends dear to her heart.  
*Diane Jasper*



diane jasper - June 05, 2018 at 03:12 PM

JD

“ Jodi Distelrath lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



Jodi Distelrath - June 05, 2018 at 02:43 PM

JD

*So very sorry for your loss. Thoughts, prayers and love are being sent your way.*

Jodi Distelrath - June 05, 2018 at 02:44 PM

JA

*Deb was a truly special person with a wonderful wit and incredible talent. She was quick to solve any problems and if she couldn't do it she would leave you laughing. She will be sorely missed. Loved you Deb!*

Judith Albers - June 08, 2018 at 11:21 PM



*My dear friend, Debra - I just learned today of your leaving this world. I will miss you always. I loved your keen wit, your intelligence, your humor. Your leaving puts a big hole in my heart - I hope to meet up again with you when I join you someday in heaven. Know that you were and are loved.*  
*Tina Norris Fields*

Tina Fields - June 15, 2018 at 06:39 PM

MI

“ We are so saddened to hear of Deb's passing. Such a sweet soul with the best smile. Heaven has gained another angel. Our thoughts and prayers are with Deb and all of you. All our love, John, Michelene and Maddie

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**Michelene** - June 05, 2018 at 02:21 PM

SB

“ Sandy And Dave Barnum lit a candle in memory of Debra Ann Patterson



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**Sandy and Dave Barnum** - June 05, 2018 at 02:11 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Debra Ann Patterson.



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June 05, 2018 at 02:08 PM