



Patricia Ann McKillop

March 31, 1961 - May 21, 2022

On Saturday May 21, 2022 Donald Robert McKillop Sr. and Patricia Ann McKillop tragically passed away near San Simon, Arizona as they traveled across the country to visit their son Donnie and his family.

Don was born in New Kensington, PA son of Patricia and Donald Minor McKillop. After losing his own father in an accident at the age of five, Don's mother supported Don and his two younger siblings on her own. Don helped out where he could, taking up a paper route at the age of 11. Upon graduation of Burrell Senior High School, Don joined the Lower Burrell police force. He then attended Indiana University of Pennsylvania majoring in criminology and becoming the first person in his family to graduate from college. After meeting and marrying his wife Patty, Don matriculated at William & Mary Law School fulfilling his childhood dream of becoming a lawyer. Don and Patty took the brave leap to move across the country to San Diego, CA so Don could join the Klinedinst law firm where he took over a branch of law and built the firm up serving as the COO, CFO and eventually becoming a partner. After 16 years with the firm, Don set up his own practice in which he specialized in defending contractors and construction companies. His love for litigation was matched by his love of sports, especially football, baseball, and golf.

Patty McKillop was born to James and Virginia Hanlon in New Kensington, PA. The second to youngest of five children, Patty grew up in a loud, loving home and spent much of her childhood playing outside with her siblings and friends in her Plum neighborhood. Like her future husband Don, Patty too became the person first in her family to attend and graduate from a four-year university. Equipped with her chemical engineering degree from Penn State, Patty supported Don through law school while she worked at a bomb plant near Washington D.C. When the family relocated to San Diego, Patty became an engineer for the United States Navy. One of the few women in the field early in her career, Patty was not only a trailblazer but also rose through the ranks to become a project manager responsible for collaborating with NATO countries on military technologies and traveled the world with Don in tow. She was excited to retire in January 2022 and was looking forward to lots of time spent reading outside on her patio with her dogs.

Don and Patty's 38-year marriage was characterized by shared values of hard work, loyalty, integrity, and family. Don was the ultimate coach—his former players, his family and his friends constantly seeking his guidance and advice. Patty loved to laugh, and her kindness was only matched by her patience. Of all they accomplished in their lives, Don and Patty were most proud of their son Donnie and found so much joy watching him play football and baseball. They are survived by Donnie and his wife Kate; their grandchildren Donald III, Phoebe, Virginia, and Kate Elizabeth. Don is survived by his sister Kathi Lorent (Lee); his nephew E.J. McKillop (Alysha), niece Devan McKillop, great-niece Dakota; and his brother Gary. Patty is survived by brothers Michael and Daniel; sisters Jeanne Hamilton (Keith); Ann Yohe (John) and her nephews Jonathan (Kiersten) and Jacob Yohe.

A celebration of Don and Patty's lives will take place at the Church at Rancho Bernardo in Rancho Bernardo, CA, at 11am July 22, 2022. A celebration of life is also planned for 12pm August 19, 2022 at the Wooden Door Winery in Lower Burrell, PA. To commemorate his beloved parents, Donnie invites all those who are able to attend these services.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUL **22**. 11:00 AM (PT)

The Church of Rancho Bernardo
11740 Bernado Plaza
San Diego, CA 92128

Celebration of Life

AUG **19**. 12:00 PM (ET)

Wooden Door Winery
4087 Greenwood Road
Lower Burrell, PA 15068

Tribute Wall



“ *Patricia Ann McKillop*

January 30, 2023 at 12:50 AM



“ *Like many of us in our neighborhood, Holiday Park, so much of my childhood was spent at the Hanlon's household. Patty and Anne were the babies.lol Fast foward and Patty, Don and I became great friends. I was blessed to visit them lots in San Diego and Pittsburgh. They were two of the best people ever! Patty always loving life and laughing and Don too his crazy fun but very steady self!*

I was blessed to visit them in Jan 2022 and Patty was so excited to retire! Her and Don were as always amazing hosts above and beyond (and Johnathan and Kiersten) too.

Especially since I reappeared after leaving (long story). But they opened their arms and home with their warm unconditional love and yes laughter. ❤️

Anyway we agreed it was one of our best visits together ever. We laughed so hard we couldn't stand it.

Patty and Don were so close to their family and all were so blessed that they never let the distance keep them from being together with them. Thank God for that.

So although their lives were too short the fondest of memories will always always remain!! And they will never ever be forgotten.

*Lots of Love,
Patty Rice*

Patricia Rice - July 21, 2022 at 12:11 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Patricia Ann McKillop.*



July 21, 2022 at 11:44 AM

TT

“ THALES Friends from the MIDS Team purchased the Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet for the family of Patricia Ann McKillop.



THALES Friends from the MIDS Team - July 20, 2022 at 07:43 PM

JL

“ I am so sad and so sorry about the passing of Pat and Don. I had the honor and pleasure to work with Pat for 3 years. She was a great leader and a key team member of the office. My deepest condolences to their families.

Jerome Lavergne - July 11, 2022 at 02:44 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Patricia Ann McKillop.

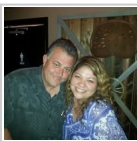


July 06, 2022 at 01:24 PM

PP

“ My deep sympathies for the family. Words are not enough to explain how sad this news was to hear. Pat was a true team player. She will be missed by all.

Patricia Ponce-Feliu - July 04, 2022 at 01:03 PM



“ I am so saddened to hear of the passing of Patti she was a dear client and friend of mine for about the past 18 years I will miss our great conversations and fun visits together she was a beautiful person and I am going to miss her. My condolences to her family

Eva Head - June 06, 2022 at 12:02 AM

SH

“ Sincerely , Eva Head purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Patricia Ann McKillop.



Sincerely , Eva Head - June 05, 2022 at 11:44 PM

MT

“ I am deeply saddened at this terrible news and great loss. It was an honor and a pleasure to work with Pat and I keep great memories of our travels together with Don. My deepest condolences to the family. Mathieu.



Mathieu TARTIERE - June 02, 2022 at 11:42 AM

DM

“ Patty was my second cousin. We shared many laughing and carefree summer days together in our childhood when Patty visited her Grandparents (my Aunt and Uncle Iggy) on Buchanan Street. Always laughing, always smiling - we both were. Patty and her wonderful family have always been a part of my extended family's life and many celebrations - all beautiful memories we hold close. My deepest sympathy to all of Patty's family(s) for your loss.

Dorothy Kostka Moyta - June 02, 2022 at 10:49 AM

KC

“ Patty's smile and laugh were always such a joy to be around in high school. My deepest condolences to her loved ones.

Kelly Cummings - May 31, 2022 at 09:04 PM

KC

“ I have so many fond memories of Patty from high school. Her smile and laugh always made it a joy to be around her. My deepest condolences to those who loved her.

Kelly (Havill) Cummings

Kelly Cummings - May 31, 2022 at 08:57 PM

PL

“ Patty grew up across the street from me. She was in my elementary class kindergarten through 6th grade. Our cat snowball was always getting her cat snaglepuss pregnant. Very quiet and sweet plus so smart!! When I think of her I smile!! Pete leyer

Pete leyer - May 31, 2022 at 07:56 PM

MP

“ Patricia was a wonderful friend and wise leader to all of us who worked with her. She cannot be replaced, and will never be forgotten by those of us who were lucky enough to know her. My condolences to her and Don's family.

Michael Posner - May 31, 2022 at 03:59 PM

SS

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of both Pat and Don. It was such a great pleasure to know them both and have had the fortune to spend time with them around the world. Pat’s infectious laugh would always make the room just a little brighter and having Don at her side clearly made them both so happy. Condolences to the family in this sad time.



Simon Smith - May 31, 2022 at 11:14 AM

TA

“ I’m so sad to hear the tragic news. I knew Pat as a kind, amazing person, who left by far too early. It was always a pleasure working with Pat over many years. My deepest sympathies for the family.



Thomas A. - May 30, 2022 at 11:16 AM

GA

“ I’d like to offer my condolences to Pat and her husband’s family for their loss. Words cannot express my sadness. Really too young to leave.



Gwen De Azevedo - May 30, 2022 at 08:00 AM

AF

“ My deepest sympathy to the family for their lost. Praying for the family during this difficult time.

Angel Fernandez - May 30, 2022 at 05:18 AM

NN

“ Would like to send my deepest condolences to Pat’s family. Such a good person. I know she is resting in heaven. It was always a pleasure to work with her and she will be missed.

Nigel Nurse - May 29, 2022 at 02:17 PM

MM

“ Pat was a true friend, mentor and wonderful person. All who were fortunate enough to cross paths with her are the better for the experience of knowing such a kind, caring, wise, fun, amazing person. I was lucky to be able to know her, travel the world with her, and learn about her life and her true passion, which was her family. Don was a wonderful man and they made a perfect pair. I feel for their family in this sad time and send every kind of condolence and warm thought possible.

Michael Mussey - May 28, 2022 at 10:58 PM



“ My condolences to the family of Pat and Don. Many people have fond memories of her. Pat met many people over the course of her career and this tragic event is a shock to us all. Ms. Lillie recalled to me how dear Pat was to her and throwing a baby shower for Pat at the office. I remember tagging along with her and Mary as we wandered the streets of Paris looking for the perfect place for a glass of wine, a side trip to Toledo, Spain in a car that was too small for four adults just to explore a new city because we had a few hours to kill that day, and how happy she was to finally be able to spend time with her grandchildren.



Scott Watson - May 28, 2022 at 05:05 PM

BO

“ It's difficult to find the words after this sad news. It's was a pleasure to work with Pat, always with an smile but solid for the work. My deepest sympathies for the family. Beatriz



Beatriz Rodriguez Orive - May 28, 2022 at 05:00 AM

SS

“ We did not know Pat and Don but we had the pleasure of knowing Donnie and his family. They raised a wonderful son who was an incredible mentor, role model and support to our son. We are so thankful to them and the child they nurtured and loved to become a wonderful man, husband, father, coach and inspiration. Your Canadian family

sarah, john and seth - May 27, 2022 at 08:51 PM

FF

“ I'm truly deeply saddened and shocked at this terrible news and great loss. It was a pleasure and honor to work with Pat over many years. She taught me a lot and was a very patient person to learn from. Pat and Don will be missed by all that knew them!
My deepest condolences to the family.

Frank Fair

Frank Fair - May 27, 2022 at 04:37 PM

FS

“ So sad for this news...Pat, thanks again for your support and amazing presence in our lives...

Fulvio and Simona - May 27, 2022 at 11:45 AM

FH

“ It is sad to hear about this unexpected loss, I want to offer my sincere condolences to the family and spend a little time in their memory.

Felix Hernandez - May 27, 2022 at 06:08 AM

MF

“ I'm deeply saddened at this terrible news. It was an honor to work with Pat over the years. She and her husband will be missed with many fond memories.



Mike Fincher - May 26, 2022 at 09:54 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Patricia Ann McKillop.



May 26, 2022 at 09:49 PM

SB

“ So sorry to hear this tragic news. Pat was a customer of mine for many, many years and we had been to MANY meetings and conferences around the world together - a few of which she brought Don to as well. Being from Poway as well with sons playing sports at Poway High School gave the three of us a lot of common ground to converse upon over a drink or two in many different countries.

I remember being in a meeting with Pat last year and one of her colleagues mentioned the many different projects and businesses he was considering embarking upon in retirement. Pat got a wry look on her face and said, "you and I have very different views of retirement". It was clear she wanted to do nothing more than travel around with Don and be with Donnie and his family. I am very glad for at least a short time they got to live that life.

Rest in peace, Pat and Don- you will be missed by many!

Sam Butler - May 26, 2022 at 04:48 PM

AS

“ So heartbroken to hear of the passing of Pat and Don. Pat was a customer for many years and she really was a source of encouragement to me. We worked through a multi year development program successfully and she always shared a smile, laugh, word of encouragement, or story about her family. I was so happy for her to retire and realize her dreams of traveling around in her RV and spending time with her grandchildren. It's devastating that her time was cut short. May she rest in peace and always be with her family in spirit.

Abby Smyth - May 26, 2022 at 02:33 PM

MH

“ I was so very sad to hear such devastating news. Pat's affable character and easy smile made the office a brighter place. I am so sorry for her and Don's loss and extend my deepest sympathies to their son and family.



Melissa Hawkins - May 26, 2022 at 02:31 PM

PJ

“ All my sympathy to Pat's family and also to the MIDS family. Very shocked and sad for such a terrible news. Happy to have had the opportunity to meet such a great professional and person. All my best thoughts for her and her husband. Rest in peace. Pedro

Pedro Hernández Jiménez - May 26, 2022 at 12:43 PM

SL

“ My heart is just broken for the McKillop family. My best memories of Pat are the conversations we had about our children and grandchildren. She just "lit up" with joy and happiness when sharing stories of them. I know she was living her best life traveling with Don, visiting with the grandkids, and enjoying family time to the fullest these past few months since retiring...I sure do wish she could have had many more years to continue doing those things she loved. I too will miss her laugh and her smile. RIP Pat and Don

Sue Looges - May 26, 2022 at 12:20 PM

JH

My sister was truly amazing, loving, and just a beautiful person. I'll miss her so very much

Jeanne Hamilton - May 28, 2022 at 03:07 PM

SL

I'm so very sorry for your loss Jeanne. She really was an amazing lady.

SUe Looges - May 31, 2022 at 06:25 PM

MA

“ It is not easy to find the words to express the sad feeling that i have. Pat was a great friend and it was always a pleasure to work with her. I Will miss her laugh. Ciao Pat
RIP



Massimo - May 26, 2022 at 09:17 AM