



Patricia Gay Thornton

February 19, 1938 - February 2, 2011

Patricia Gay, daughter of Alma Victoria (Oringderff) and Leonard William Schaefer was born on February 19, 1938 in Alva, Oklahoma. She passed away at her home in Oklahoma City on the 2nd of February at the age of 72 years, 11 months and 14 days.

She attended the Alva school system and graduated with the class of 1955 and then attended the University of Oklahoma.

Miss Schaefer was married to B.H. Thornton on June 6, 1964 in Alva. To their marriage a son, Charles Scott was born. B.H. passed away on December 31, 1999.

Following their marriage they lived in Dallas, Texas and in 1971 they came to Alva to make their home.

Pat was the owner of Alma Orinderff Oil Properties which was established in 1960 and operated in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas. She was actively engaged in farming and ranching in Oklahoma and the Texas Panhandle.

She was a member of : Alpha Chi Omega Sorority at the University of Oklahoma PSI Chapter; Alva First Presbyterian Church; P.E.O. Chapter ET; DAR; Holly Club and served on the Alva Library Board.

Mrs. Thornton was preceded in death by her parents.

Pat is survived by her son Charles Scott of Oklahoma City.

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Previous Events

Funeral Service

FEB 5. 1:00 PM (CT)

First Presbyterian Church
628 Church Street
Alva, Ok

Tribute Wall

MC

“ I am so sorry to hear of the passing of Pat. We had great times at the Alpha Chi house in Norman. I have heard from her every year at Christmas since graduating. I will miss hearing from her.

Mary Ann Hamilton Chapman - February 18, 2011 at 12:00 AM

TH

“ We respected your mother dearly and enjoyed our visits with her. We will miss her as much as we've missed B. Jimmy still talks about how he sure wished him & B could have their "father-son" talks while driving all over the country side! Our memories are fond of both of them

Trooper Jimmy & Julie Helm - February 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Scott,

Please accept my condolences. I was very sorry to hear of your mother's passing. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers. Take care.

Regina Hewatt McNabb - February 06, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ Scott as you are to all of us-

I have such great memories of your mom from the fireworks that Brizz and I set off on the 4th of July when they were trying to sleep (you were a part I think), the amazing bridal luncheon she did for my wedding and being a close family friend to my sweet Dad for 74 years. I know her loss has been so hard on Dad and my Mom as well as all of us. You know we are all here for you no matter what you need.. Sorry I can't get there, but you know I am thinking of you..

Julia, Sarah, Elizabeth and David Witherington

Julia Ryerson Witherington - February 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

HB

“ Scott, I'm so sorry for your loss. I didn't know your mother, but I know she was always highly respected. I just always remember seeing her caring for her lovely yard. Please accept my condolences and prayer.3

Helen Barrett - February 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ A sympathy card has been sent to the family of Patricia Gay Thornton c/o Wharton Funeral Chapel funeral home.

February 05, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JB

“ We remember Pat well from high school days. We're very sorry to learn of her passing. We're a couple of "old Goldbugs" from the Class of '57.

Jim and Patty Barker - February 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Charlie, so sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. I have fond memories of visiting with her and B.H. at your house on college street.

Mike Walz - February 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SD

“ Scott: Your Mom and Oringerff Properties remain well respected in Perryton, Texas. Dunn and Bradstreet once called my Dad, W.D. Dukes, of Prairie Well Service, and asked him to give a rating of how quickly Oringerff paid their invoices-30 to 60 days, etc. My Dad replied that Miss Pat paid her invoices within five minutes... Memories!

Steve Dukes - February 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

IE

“ Scott, your mother was a very special lady. I learned so much from her, and was anxious to learn more. May God be with you in your loss

Ida Evans - February 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ Scott - I became good friends with your mother in the Alpha Chi house at OU. We roomed together one 8 weeks. She was the only person I knew in Alva (besides Harvey!) when I moved to Alva. She was a dear person and I am glad I had the opportunity to have her for a friend. Shirley (Kramer) Schuessler

Shirley (Kramer) Schuessler - February 04, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ *Scott so sorry to hear about the passing of your mother. What a special lady she was. So private, but yet so caring. It was my pleasure to know her. She always made you feel good.*

Bill and Linda Beeler - February 03, 2011 at 12:00 AM