



## Gift in Memory

# PATRICIA (PATTI) WATERWORTH

1946 – 2015

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Born in Roma, Patricia Grace and her four siblings grew up in Injune south-west Queensland, where her parents owned and ran a hotel. A talented student, she was Dux and School Captain of the boarding school she attended in Sandgate before qualifying as a School Teacher. After a brief teaching career, she met John Waterworth, who had been a guest at her parents' hotel. They married in 1967 and moved to Stanthorpe to run a hotel, investing in soft drink factories in both Stanthorpe and Roma. Patricia supported John in the businesses whilst raising their four sons.



As her sons grew up to go their different ways, in 1987 John and Patricia decided to sell up and move to their holiday home on the Sunshine Coast. Playing squash and later golf, she joined the Headland Golf Club in 1994 taking part in pennant competitions.

An avid reader, Patricia made many friends through her involvement in book clubs. As a Maroochydore library volunteer, she chose and delivered books for housebound people every month. She was an active member of the Stella Maris Catholic Church nine am mass community and found support during her long illness from the Christian meditation group at Buderim's St Mary's Church. Knowing her illness was terminal she arranged for the Cittamani palliative care nurses to help John and her sister Meg to care for her at home, and as she was such a beautiful person, some of the nurses attended her funeral.

Patricia was a patient and caring mother, a tough competitor and a giver, the extent of her true generosity and support for charity only known after she had passed away. All who had the privilege of her acquaintance and friendship remember her courage and ready smile.

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