



## Patricia E.(Tinker)(nee Dawson) Schon

June 29, 2013

Schon, Patricia E. (Tinker) (nee Dawson) age 86, passed away June 29. Past National President and National VAVS Director, Past 7th District President of VFW Auxiliary, Past President of the Minnesota UVLC, life member of VFW Ladies Auxiliary, active member at Hamel VFW and Russell Gaylord #159, retired from Mpls Public Schools. Preceded in death by husbands, Don Schon, and Jim Tinker and their son Greg Tinker. Survived by daughter, Peggy (Rick) Powell; 3 granddaughters, Traci, Maria and Kathleen Trish (Ryan) Coller; great-grandson, Jake; many loving adopted families, friends and relatives. Visitation Tuesday, July 2 from 5-8 PM with a VFW ritual at 5 PM and rosary at 6 PM at the Robbinsdale Chapel. Mass of Christian Burial 10 AM Wednesday, July 3 at Ascension Church, 1723 Bryant Ave. N., Mpls with visitation 1 hr. prior at the church. Interment at Crystal Lake Cemetery by her son Greg. [www.Washburn-McReavy.com](http://www.Washburn-McReavy.com) Robbinsdale Chapel 763-537-2333 4239 West Broadway

# Cemetery Details

## Crystal Lake Cemetery

3816 Penn Avenue North  
Minneapolis, MN 55412  
(612) 521-7619  
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 2. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Robbinsdale Chapel  
4239 W Broadway  
Robbinsdale, MN 55422  
(763) 537-2333  
info@washburn-mcreavy.com

## Visitation

JUL 3. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Ascension Catholic Church  
1704 North Dupont Avenue  
Minneapolis, MN 55411

## Service

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# Tribute Wall

MK

“ I, first, met Pat through my friendships with the World War One Veterans at their state conventions. I will never forget at their National Convention in Minneapolis at the old Radisson when they made her their “Sweetheart” and over 200 of them sang “Let Me Call You Sweetheart” to her. For those of you who do not know – this speaks volumes about Pat and eclipses anything any honor that she received from any other veterans organization for her long and dedicated service to veterans throughout her life.

*When I think of Pat, so many wonderful human beings come to mind as it was never about Pat as it was everyone else. Leah Brandmo was her mentor who taught her the ropes of her work and I am certain that, if there is a heaven, the two of them are putting on some great conventions and helping a lot of veterans who made it there and for those that didn't, too.*

*“In Flanders Fields” was the poem she knew by heart and it was she who picked up “the Torch” from “the failing hands” of the World War I veterans who likened themselves as “The Forgotten Men,” but were, in truth, “The Greatest Generation” that this country has ever seen.*

*I will never forget her friendship and many kindnesses to my family over the many years and I know that like people like Pat are so very rare and can never be replaced. We do have many happy memories of Pat and hope that you do, too, as she will remain with us as such forever a happy memory of someone who cared and made a difference to and for so many others.*

*Michael P. Kaehler  
Saint Cloud MN*

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**Michael P. Kaehler** - July 03, 2013 at 10:14 AM

JG

“ *Cousin Patty was a remarkable lady in so many ways, truly someone to look up to and emulate. When our cousin Donald was very ill, Patty was the one I talked to and got my strength from. She always had time for me. I know that she is in heaven organizing and arranging to her hearts content. Patty was my mom's first cousin and I am proud to be related to such a great lady.*

*Janet Grilli*

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**Janet Grilli** - July 02, 2013 at 11:00 AM

CJ

“ *We love Aunt Pat dearly and will miss her. I pray for your strength during this difficult time.*  
*Chuck and Rime Johnson*

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**Charles Johnson** - July 01, 2013 at 08:12 PM

JC

“ *Sorry to hear of Pats passing. She was a spunkie little lady. I played piano of about 7 to 8 years at the Flag Pole and Crystal Lake Cemetery. Pat always did a fantastic reading of Flanders Field. We will miss her. signed, North Minneapolis resident Jaette Carpenter*

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**Jaette Carpenter** - July 01, 2013 at 05:18 PM