



Petrina Lee Patti

March 26, 1948 - January 11, 2026

Petrina Lee Patti, 77, formerly of Wicker Park, retired Chicago Public School teacher, passed away peacefully on January 11, 2026, at the Carrington of Lincolnwood.

Born in Chicago's Taylor Street neighborhood and raised in the Gage Park neighborhood, Petrina earned her Bachelor's of Education from the University of Illinois and also her Master's degree. Petrina taught regular and special education on Chicago's West Side for thirty years.

Petrina was an excellent dancer, particularly flamenco, and it was at a party that she first met the man who she would marry. She claimed that Don was not at all a good dancer, but that she was a good teacher. She played the cuatro and sang with the Sweet Adelines (an all-female barbershop vocal group), spoke fluent Spanish, and always remained active in her community, undertaking knitting projects with local nuns. Petrina loved animals and was a member of the Wicker Park Garden Club and took great care with the couple's old Victorian-style house on Bell.

Preceded in death by husband Donald Walter Weber, parents Carmen and Petrina (nee DiBiase) Patti, brothers Carmen (Paulette) Patti and Gary (Donna) Patti, and many cousins.

Petrina was the stepmother of Steve (Peggy) Weber and Jessica Weber, cousin of Felice Patti of Chicago and others, aunt of Michael J. Patti of Austin, TX and others, and dear friend of Patricia, Pastor Bruce Moore, and David Schimmel.

Petrina chose to donate her body to science through Anatomical Gift Association.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to the Treehouse Animal Shelter: <https://treehouseanimals.org/>, WTTW: <https://www.wttw.com/support>, or the Wicker Park Garden Club: mail check to Wicker Park Garden Club (Doug Wood) 1322 N Claremont Ave, Chicago, IL 60622 or zelle: 773-612-1543 (Directed to the Garden Club Account at BMO Harris Bank)

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Tribute Wall

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“ I met Petrina folk dancing. She became a dear friend who attended my wedding and I hers. We teased about being Sisters since we both are Italian. She made conversations delightful and informative. I will miss her phone calls and always regret not having visiting her at her last residence. Thank you for being my friend, Petrina. You loved life and you made me feel loved! I'm deeply grateful for the gift of being your friend.

Anna Cholewa

Anna Cholewa - March 07 at 06:57 PM

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“ I was glad to know Petrina and Don for a couple of years that I worked for them. Petrina was a beautiful soul, always giving help and a great support to those who needed it. I was blessed to have met such a wonderful and kind human being. May she rest in peace.

Oscar Vazquez - January 17 at 02:52 PM

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“ My first firewall, Trina taught me to melt peanut butter on my warm toasted bread for breakfast, to bloom where planted, to use a photographic memory, to do eye exercises in the mirror when brushing my teeth, to not have a schedule, a habit, or implement time sequence. True Aries woman that allowed me to rise from the ashes because she would not expect anything other than that for me. Trina shared her bold, energetic, and pioneering spirit. She was known for being a natural leader, passionate, and independent. She thrived on new experiences, loved taking charge, and was courageous and determined to take a stand for what she believed.



Nicole Lynn Patti - January 15 at 09:08 PM

AC

I met Petrina folk dancing at Francis Parker school. She was like a sister to me. We shared the Italian heritage and our love for dancing and music.

When ever we talked we laughed an equal amount. I will miss her greatly and know she is being welcomed by my husband and all the dear folk dancers in our group that have gone before me. Laugh away dearest friend and know you are still loved and missed by many.

Anna Cholewa - March 04 at 10:08 PM

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“ Petrina was a beautiful free spirit. She loved singing and dancing, music, storytelling and entertaining, plants and animals and teaching and learning. She loved knowledge. Everyone knew not to call or come over while she and Don were watching Jeopardy! She and Don were long time staples in the neighborhood. We were lucky to have them as neighbors and I was privileged to call her my friend.
~Sue M.

Sue M - January 15 at 01:33 PM



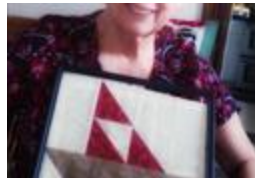
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She was beautiful inside and out.

Arlene Butler - January 14 at 09:21 AM

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She was a good friend, funny and loved to show me her dance moves. She loved her house on Bell St. from our old neighborhood of Wicker Park in Chicago. My Mom loved hanging with Petrina at the seniors Club at Saint Mary's on Division St. I loved the fact she built and played her own Cuatro at the San Lucas Church on North Ave. I will never forget her involvement with the Wicker Park Garden Club. I will miss Petrina's beautiful smile.

Sylvia Ramos - January 16 at 03:26 PM



I knew Petrina (and Don Webber) for many years through folk-dancing and social get-togethers. She was wonderully unique. I can still hear her voice in my head and enjoy that memory. May her memory be for a blessing.

Betsy Fuchs - March 07 at 12:39 PM