



## George Michael Patton

September 1, 1957 - January 22, 2020

George Michael Patton “The general”, 62, of Allen, TX, passed away peacefully at home on January 22, 2020. He is survived by his wife and best friend of 42 years, Gloria and his pride and joy, his daughter Mary. Born in West Palm Beach, FL on September 1, 1957, the son of the late George H. Patton and Mary (Poston) Patton. However, he was convinced he was the milk man’s Son (due to his love of milk). As young as four years old he would get a chair and unlatch the door to meet the milk delivery man each morning. George grew up in central Florida and graduated Lake Brantley High School Class of ‘75. Two years later he married the love of his life, Gloria, and moved to Texas to start their new life. They were married 42 years. He had only one daughter, now Mary White, whom he loved dearly. He never missed an opportunity to teach her about things as she was growing up. Most weekends she would tag along behind him to be outside working and learning about whatever it was that he was doing, from changing the oil to mowing the lawn. When she was old enough to be in FFA, he built her large outdoor cages for quail and other various birds. He taught her to fish, to select a quality hammer, to love nature, and to just be respectful and thankful. He told his wife many times that seeing Mary grow into the woman she was supposed to be brought a wonderful sense of meaning to his life. George loved the art of Bonsai and owned and cultivated several Bonsai trees in his youth. He loved the rain and a good thunderstorm. He enjoyed working with his hands and gardening was a favored pastime. He loved to share his garden grown treasures with family and friends. He and Gloria created their own pickling and salsa recipes and the jars always flew off the shelf per say. He also enjoyed fishing, when he had a day off from being the family handyman, lol. He would gather the poles, tackle box, lanterns and family, if they could go, and head to one of his favorite fishing holes. Of course when the girls went he had to fish in between baiting hooks and telling them to “sshhh” the fish can hear you. And no monkeying around as he would call it, keep your eyes on that bobber. His record fish was a nearly 22 lb striper.

As an adult, he returned to college to obtain an HVAC license with a dream to someday have his own business. After an on-the-job injury in 1994, he was deemed disabled and unable to continue working. This unfortunately led to the closing of his dream business. He did however take up the hobby of large scale model ship woodworking which he

thoroughly enjoyed.

He also loved drag racing and shared his love of the sport with Gloria, Mary, his two Sisters, Janis and Patricia, as well as both nephews, Roy Wellman and son. Each year they would go to the Ennis racetrack to watch the finals as they toured through Texas. He went there “secretly” to clear his sinuses on the smell of the nitro.

He took extreme pride in his two grandchildren, Ashley and Michael and his surrogate grandchild, Kelly Thompson. Three of the proudest events of his adult life was watching these ‘Squeezles” graduate.

He was fun to be around and always had a clever or humorous quip to share. He often used idioms to lighten the mood and was also a wealth of knowledge on a wide range of subjects. He regularly watched documentaries and easily retained information to later be recalled in conversation.

George is survived by his wife, Gloria Patton of Allen, TX; daughter Mary White and son-in-Law Eric; grand-daughter, Ashley White; grandson, Michael White; great grand-daughter, Mila Harvey; sister, Patricia Patton; niece, Carla Dean and husband Jay; great niece, Kelly Thompson; great nephew’s, Roy Wellman and Johnathan Wellman. He was also predeceased by his Sister, Janis Russo and husband Tony; nephew, Roy Wellman, as well as several other extended family members and friends.

Throughout the years he would fondly recall his memories of niece Carla carrying her pink lay blanket wherever she went as a child and getting hit in the tush by an awnry goat; his nephew Roy’s extreme fear of caterpillars and the time they and Roy Jr had to jump ship when the boat hit a stump and capsized while fishing; the fun summers he spent at his sister Patricia’s home; his great niece Kelly playing with our dog Reno in a large cardboard box in our living room which he had made into a playhouse for her; family barbecues and fish fries; teaching his granddaughter, Ashley to weld; and saving his grandson’s life when he choked on a lifesaver and scared his grandfather half to death. He will be truly missed and has left a hole in our hearts.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers donations be made in George's memory to the American Lung Association.

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# Comments

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“ Thank you George for being a great friend and a great neighbor. Thank you for your gifts and your support. You will forever be in my heart. Your friend Derrick.

**Derrick Johnson** - January 26, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow. George was a great neighbor and friend.

**Audrey Coleman** - January 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ I only knew George a short time but I am blessed to have met him and Gloria both. Rest In Peace George! My condolences to the Patton family.

**Joni Wilson** - January 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ In loving memory of "Uncle George", may you rest in peace. For those of us left behind and until we are all together again, may the memories with you bring a smile to our face and comfort to our hearts.

**Carla and Jay Dean** - January 25, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ We are saddened about George's passing. We are grateful to have been with him recently for a brief time. Rest in peace "Gordy". Our deep condolences and love to all the family, especially Gloria.

January 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ George was a really great and smart man. I enjoyed seeing him in the alley and he helped me learn a lot. Hell be missed, but that doesnt mean you stop Gloria! Enjoy life without the god all for a little and enjoy your family

**Andrew Wiebold** - January 24, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ In loving memory of a wonderful and dear friend. We will love you and miss you always.

**George Busby** - January 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ Rest in peace my friend.I will cherish the memories we made.

**Leroy Bratton** - January 23, 2020 at 12:00 AM