



## Donald Jay Pattison

October 30, 1971 - May 8, 2025

With heavy hearts, we are deeply saddened to announce the passing of Donald Jay Pattison, age 53, of Rockford. Donald was a beacon of joy and laughter, a devoted husband, brother, uncle, and friend whose love touched everyone fortunate enough to know him. His vibrant spirit and unwavering affection for his family and friends will forever remain in our hearts.

Donald was born on October 30, 1971 in Rockford. Donald's greatest joys were found in life's simple pleasures. He had a passion for crafting delicious meals on the grill and spending time in the great outdoors. Whether fishing by the water or hosting cookouts, Donald had a way of bringing people together. His quick wit, warm humor, and love for being the center of attention turned every gathering into a cherished memory. He also shared a deep bond with his beloved dogs, Sydney and Skye, who brought him endless joy and companionship.

He is survived by his loving wife Kassie Pattison, siblings Suzanne (Brad), Michael (Denise), Patrick, Robert (Joanie), and a cherished extended family. Donald now joins in eternal peace with his parents Orlando and Joanne and his brother, Daniel (Carol) Pattison. He absolutely adored his nieces, nephews, and their children, who will carry on his legacy of love and laughter. Donald's memory will forever be a source of comfort and inspiration to all who knew him.

Memorial Visitation on Saturday, May 24, 2025 from 10 am to noon, followed by a Celebration of Life at noon at Grace Funeral & Cremation Services, 4301 N. Main St. Rockford. In lieu of flowers, memorials in Donald's memory may be made to his family. Share a memory or condolence at [www.graceFH.com](http://www.graceFH.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Visitation

MAY **24.** 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Grace Funeral & Cremation Services  
4301 N. Main St.  
Rockford, IL 61103

## Celebration of Life

MAY **24.** 12:00 PM - 1:45 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ Grace Funeral & Cremation Services created a Tribute Video in memory of Donald Jay Pattison



Grace Funeral & Cremation Services - June 16, 2025 at 02:17 PM

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“ I know you have been gone for a year but I still miss you and miss our talks. I will see you in heaven someday. Your always in my heart.

Tina - May 08 at 11:06 PM

DF

“ Dan Thompson and family. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Donald Jay Pattison.



Dan Thompson and family. - May 23, 2025 at 09:17 AM

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“ Dan Thompson and family. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Donald Jay Pattison.

Dan Thompson and family. - May 23, 2025 at 09:17 AM



“ 3 files added to the album Donald Jay Pattison



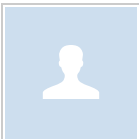
Kassie Pattison - May 17, 2025 at 10:20 AM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Donald Jay Pattison.



May 15, 2025 at 11:12 AM



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Kassie Pattison - May 12, 2025 at 05:41 PM



“ Thursday, I lost my best friend and companion of 20 years. I have sat here trying to write this, but my heart is so broken I don't know how, what, or why. I am so lost. Every minute becomes more difficult. I just sit here alone, shaking, crying.



*I fought so hard in your corner, to help you overcome addiction. Last year we won the addiction to Opioids, and I was so proud of you. Recently, we started to work on the alcohol addiction. It was work in progress. I pushed you so hard because I wanted you to be free and live your life again.*

*At 53, you are too young to be gone. I wanted the best for you, for us. I will always cherish and love you, Donald Jay Pattison. I will never forget the good times.*

*I LOVE YOU DONALD! I MISS YOU MORE THAN WORDS CAN EXPRESS. HOW AM I GOING TO LIVE ON WITHOUT YOU, BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO? HOW WILL I EVER FIND PEACE? YOU WERE MY ROCK, MY SHOULDER TO CRY ON. WHAT DO I DO WITHOUT YOU? I SPENT DAMN NEAR HALF OF MY LIFE WITH YOU.*

*Donald, we have been through thick and thin, WE had an immense amount of great times together, we have loved one another, and we have loved our beloved dogs. Our Great Dane Sydney is pacing the house with me, and I believe she knows. Our Husky is lost like me, but I am doing what I can, She loves Donald's brother Robert and I know that will help her. Dogs and myself will need support. I pace the house and Sydney will pace with me, right by my side.*

*I love you "Honey"!*

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**Kassie Pattison** - May 12, 2025 at 05:36 PM

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*I'm sorry for your loss. You will make it through his passing. Remember all the time you had together. Sorry to hear he passed*

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**tina** - June 01, 2025 at 01:21 PM