

In Remembrance of Pam Stiles
We Invite You to Join in This Celebration of Her Life
Saturday, October 29, 2005 11:00 AM
Palisades Presbyterian Church, Palisades, NY

Prelude *Simple Gifts* Shaker Tune

Church Bell

Call to Community: Romans 8:38-39
I am convinced that neither death, nor life,
Nor angels, nor rulers,
Nor things present, nor things to come,
Nor powers, nor height, nor depth,
nor anything else in all creation,
will be able to separate us from the love of God.

* Hymn #541 *Now the Day is Over*

Unison Prayer
O God, who gave us birth,
You are ever more ready to hear than we are to pray.
You know our needs before we ask,
And the questions we have yet to learn.
Please show us now your grace,
So that as we remember the life of Pam Stiles,
We can come to glimpse the peace you promise us all
In the everlasting mystery of eternity.

Prayer of Confession
Let us now ask Our Creator to cleanse our hearts,
To redeem our memories, and to renew our
confidence in the goodness of the Eternal One.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Hymn # 280 *Amazing Grace*

Prayer for Illumination

Selected Readings The Rev. Laurie Ferguson

Selected Reading Ray Bagnuolo, Interim Minister

Readings & Comments from Pam's Family & Friends *Open to All.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

O God,
Before whom all generations rise and pass away,
We praise you for all your servants
Who, having lived this life in faith,
Now live eternally with you.

Especially we thank you for the life and love of Pam Stiles,
Whose baptism and earthly journey is now complete.
We praise you for the gift of Pam's being with us and
For her faithful and passionate spirit.
We thank you for her dedication to justice and to a just world.
You have kindled us with her fire and her wit.
We are grateful for Pam's love and her presence
That lives forever in our hearts.

Amen.

* Hymn # 526 *For All the Saints*

*Benediction

Postlude *Postludium* Gordon Young

* *All who are able please stand*

Pat McDowell, Organist

An excerpt from *Graceful Passages* –
Words which Pam found meaningful in the recent past.

Your vital energy is returning to the source,
Like the flowing stream returning to ocean.

Heaven and Earth are our parents,
All People are our brothers and sisters,
And all things are our companions.

In this gentle, peaceful journey,
You are forming one body with heaven and earth.

Entrust yourself in the transforming and nourishing
Care of the Cosmos.

Listen to the voice of love in silence.
You have heard the Way;
Return Home in Peace.

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The Stiles Family thanks you for joining us on this day of remembrance for the inspiring and loving life of Marianna “Pam” Copeland Stiles. We invite you to join us in the Parish Hall for refreshments and company, following this morning’s service.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Marge Windheim through the family for a river view memorial dedicated to Pam, or please make a contribution in Pam’s name to the charity or organization of your choice.

Sincerely,
Daniel C. and Maryellen Stiles
Baird B., Laura, Julian, and Delia Stiles
Andrew C. Stiles
Edward C., Kim, Mazie, and Dylan Stiles

Marianna “Pam” Copeland Stiles



Pam loved music, poetry and literature, ballet and all the arts. She loved conversation and she loved the quiet peacefulness of the outdoors. She loved gardens, oceans and rivers (especially the Hudson). She loved her boys, she loved her grandchildren, she loved her daughters-in-law, and she loved her friends. We are so thankful you all are here.

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