



Pamela "Pam" R. Shute

January 12, 1949 - October 15, 2025

Pamela "Pam" R. Shute, age 76, of Peoria, Illinois passed away on Wednesday, October 15, 2025 at her home surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on January 12, 1949 in Peoria to Vernon E. and Patricia Rae (Jarnagan) Ewers and raised by her maternal grandparents, Ray and Beulah Jarnagan. She married Allen Shute in 1981 in Mossville. He survives.

Also surviving are her children, Stephanie Shute of Burlington, IA and Scott Shute of Rotonda West, FL; two grandchildren, Jarett (Shannon) Walker of Danville, IA and Jade (Aaron) Lotzow of Burlington, IA; six great-grandchildren, three half siblings, Vicki Snider of East Peoria, Judy (Steve) Reaktenwalt and Janet Ewers both of Cedar Rapids, IA; and her beloved cat Jabo

She was preceded in death by her mother and step father, Patricia (Dale) Thomas; her father and step-mother, Vernon (Elsie) Ewers, one brother, Ronnie Thomas; one son, Marcus Shute; one niece and three nephews.

Pamela was a 1967 graduate of Richwoods High School and continued to stay active organizing and planning the class of '67 reunions. She worked for over 25 years with the Peoria Journal Star as an Executive Secretary to the Publisher and served on the boards of the Peoria Journal Star Credit Union

and the Peoria Highway Credit Union.

Pam had a great love of animals and it gave her joy to watch the wildlife that surrounded her home.

Cremation will be accorded and celebration of life will be held at a later date. Schmidt-Haller Burial and Cremation Service is in charge of arrangements.

Memorials may be made to S.A.M.S. Rescue in Hanna City. Words of comfort can be shared with the family at www.SchmidtHaller.com.

Tribute Wall

HV

“ I had the pleasure of being a caregiver for Pam for a short period of time but in that time we grew a bond that was special she was always soo thankful for anything I did even if it was just something simple she truly didn't know that she helped me just as much as I helped her she was an amazing soul I loved how spicy she was and never let anything stop her from doing what SHE wanted to do she wanted to go shopping sooo bad lol so one day i told pam let's go and we went to jcp she picked out the cutest blue outfit she did not care that the leggings she wanted were 45 dlrs lol she wanted them and she was soo thankful just to hang out and shop only if it was just an hr ...she was an amazing example of a strong women

heather vasquez - February 05 at 04:23 PM

PD

“ So very sorry for your loss. Pam and I go way back to the early 70's. I remember both of us sitting on each knee of the Bergners Santa Claus. I still have the picture of us. We had so much fun, and far too many shenanigans. She was also the one who fixed me up with my late husband, Bill. That was a blessing for me. May the memories outweigh your sad hearts.

Phyllis Draper - October 19, 2025 at 06:01 PM

WC

“ Allen, so sorry for your loss. all of our lives were connected in a good way for a lot of good times! RIP.

Wendell Childs"Windyl" - October 18, 2025 at 09:21 AM

RS

“ I had only met her this past June. It was a pleasure just to see her enjoying the music that Uncle Bud and Scott performed for her and us. My most sincere and loving thoughts are with the family.

Regina Shute - October 17, 2025 at 07:15 PM

LU

“ Pam's family is in my thoughts and prayers. I have fond memories of Pam when we worked together in the Promotion/Public Relations department. We were all always involved in some sort of PJS event: The Bowling tournament, the HOI Fair, The Red Stocking Fund, Journal Star tours, JS Christmas sing, JS Spelling Bee, baseball games, PJS picnic, etc. Those were good times. I'm hoping to make it back to Peoria for her celebration of life. She was a dear friend.

Lynn Uphoff - October 17, 2025 at 05:19 PM

JG

“ My family and I met Bud and Pam many years ago through mutual friends. We moved away from Illinois and lost touch - my condolences to Bud and family. Jean Griner

Jean C Griner - October 17, 2025 at 11:13 AM

CS

“ I only met Great Aunt Pam a handful of times, but every time she was a pleasure to be around and a gracious host. Our condolences to the family from your Maine Shutes. Comforting hugs to you all.



Crisben Shute - October 17, 2025 at 11:03 AM

LH

“ I’ve known Pam for 58 years. We met and became friends my first week at Richwoods. Pam was so sweet to me. We had great slumber parties at her grandparents Mt. Hawley Inn after closing hours, what great memories. My heart goes out to Bud and all of Pam’s family. Rest in Peace Pam! Liz



Liz Hudson Hollaway - October 17, 2025 at 08:13 AM

LM

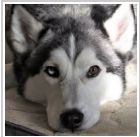
“ I’m so sorry. Bless your heart Bud 🙏 RIP Pam ❤️

Linda Meyer - October 16, 2025 at 09:32 PM

DS

“ Pam was my next door neighbor the entire time I was a child growing up. I used to play dolls with her. She was always a very sweet girl.

Debbie Stutzman - October 16, 2025 at 08:34 PM



“ I’m so sorry to see this. Pam was such a fun, friendly person. Thinking of you Bud. Denise

Denise Hoshor - October 16, 2025 at 06:52 PM

FM

“ I’m am so sorry to hear this Bud, my thoughts and prayers are with you and your family, RIP Pam

Faye Mammen - October 16, 2025 at 05:46 PM

RT

“ *I'm so sorry for your loss we will miss Pam she was a terrific lady. If there is anything Paula or I can do for you please let me know. Love Rory*

Rory Tokar - October 16, 2025 at 04:44 PM