



Patricia Kellett

November 28, 1955 - September 29, 2025

Patricia Caroline Kellett, a devoted long-term resident of Ft. Payne, Alabama, passed away on the morning of Monday, September 29, 2025, at the age of 69, after a brief but courageous battle with cancer. Despite her illness, Patricia's radiant smile and unwavering kindness never faded, touching the hearts of all who knew her.

Patricia is lovingly remembered by her son, Evan Kellett Roberts; her sisters, Diane Kellett (Terry) Mitchell of Montgomery, Alabama, and JoAnne Kellett Milhoan of Montevallo, Alabama and a beautiful collection of cherished nieces, nephews, and dear friends.

Patricia's enduring spirit and warmth will be deeply missed but fondly remembered by all who had the privilege of knowing her.

Patricia was born November 28, 1955, in Fort Payne to Joseph Cabot Kellett, Jr. and Paddy (Watson) Kellett. She grew up in a family that prized service and education. After earning her B.A. from the University of Alabama in 1978 and her J.D. from the UA School of Law in 1983, she returned to DeKalb County to begin the work that would define her life.

At Kellett & Kellett, P.A., where she had a life long legal practice with her father, Patricia blended sharp analysis with uncommon patience. Clients came

to her for business and estate planning, insurance and civil litigation, and family law; they stayed because she listened. She was known to draft one more careful paragraph, make one more phone call, and explain one more time—until people felt at peace. Her admissions included the Alabama State Bar and the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Alabama.

Beyond the office, “Budgie” loved Mentone—the long views from Lookout Mountain, the arts and music around town, and the rhythm of small-town friendships. She cheered the Crimson Tide, and she poured quiet energy into [church/home congregation], [bar or community boards], and neighbors who needed a hand. She was blessed with a full and successful career, measured not in the number of cases won but by the number of people helped.

Although Patricia was very accomplished in her professional career, nothing meant more to her than her family, particularly her son Evan and his beloved cat Kitty Princess. Throughout their lives together, they enjoyed all things living in Little River Canyon afforded them, whether hiking, camping, swimming, learning about nature, rock formations and wildlife. As the years passed they enjoyed music concerts and traveling and, of course, University of Alabama Football. While Evan was enrolled in school in Chattanooga, Patricia traveled from Ft. Payne to Chattanooga almost daily to help him with his studies, but mostly to spend time with this lovely young man who has grown into a fine, brilliant person.

A memorial service, followed by a Celebration of Life for Patricia Kellett will be held on Saturday, October 4, 2025, beginning at 11:00 a.m. Central Daylight Time in the Chapel of Wilson Funeral Home, 3801 Gault Avenue North, Ft. Payne, AL 35967.

A celebration of life will follow beginning at 1:00 pm in the Back Forty Ballroom, located in the W. B. Hosiery Mill, 151 8th Street NE, Fort Payne,

Alabama 35967.

In lieu of flowers, the Kellett family requests memorial donations be made to The Children's Advocacy Center, 104 Alabama Avenue, NW., Fort Payne, Alabama or a charity of your choice.

The Kellett Family would like to acknowledge the services of Hospice of North Alabama and the services of As Close as Family.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT 4. 11:00 AM (CT)

Wilson Funeral Home Chapel
3801 Gault Avenue North
Fort Payne, AL 35967
(256) 845-9150
wilsonfuneralhome@bellsouth.net
<http://www.wilsonfhinc.com>

Tribute Wall

KP

“ We were so saddened to hear about your passing. You were a great friend to us and we will miss you. Rest in Peace my quirky little friend.

Kelly Parker - February 09 at 12:30 PM

CL

“ Cheryl Little sent a virtual gift in memory of Patricia Kellett



Cheryl Little - October 06, 2025 at 03:49 PM

CW

“ I had the joy of cleaning her office for over 20 years. Patria always so good to me. She loved it a Christmas when I would bring her some homemade candy I made. She even requested some when she retired. She will be missed

Cindy Wilks - October 01, 2025 at 09:11 PM

IH

Amen, she will be missed. God's peace be with her.

Ira Holt - October 03, 2025 at 11:54 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia Kellett.*



October 01, 2025 at 07:26 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Patricia Kellett.

October 01, 2025 at 07:26 PM



“ *Much much love to Patricia's family. She was blessed to have you all in her family and I know you will miss her terribly.*

Marianne McLemore - October 01, 2025 at 04:38 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Patricia Kellett.*



October 01, 2025 at 03:15 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Patricia Kellett.

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DB

“ I went to Patricia for a divorce in 1985. I had 2 yr old child at that time. I just wanted out. He was violent and I was scared to stay at the house after he received the divorce papers. She refused to take me on as a client unless I accepted child support. She let me stay at her house for the weekend as she was going to be out of town. I returned home on Sunday to find he had emptied the house. She got on the phone, had some kind of papers served and if he didn't return the contents within 24 hrs., he would be arrested for grand theft. Later, I realized how lucky I was to have had her insist on child support. It helped us lead a normal life. Thank you, Patricia.

deborah Byrd - October 01, 2025 at 03:07 PM