



HUMANS OF THE ROYAL

Patricia Henrietta Diggelman



Patricia dedicated 14 years of her life as a cleaner within the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital.

She also worked in the catering department the Blacktown District Hospital and volunteered for over ten years at Palm Lodge Nursing Home New Farm and at the Holy Spirit Catholic Church New Farm.

Patricia also delivered the local newspaper around New Farm and attended the New Farm Historical Society group meetings to learn more about her community.

As a mother of 6 children whom she was very proud of and blessed to have she apparently 'ran a tight ship' and that determination and dedication has been passed down to her children.

Patricia never stopped giving to the RBWH. When she visited as a patient in 2020, to undergo palliative radiation therapy, she and her daughter, Gloria, purchased a painting of a lighthouse they both liked. This was part of the Art Space the RBWH Foundation organises, which means part of the purchase is given to the Foundation to help them support the Hospital.

On a personal note Patricia enjoyed gardening, scrabble, a good party with family and friends and loved jazz music. She also made the best salad and roast lamb sandwiches and home made chips!

Patricia passed away on 23 May 2020 and had asked for donations to be made to the RBWH Foundation. Her daughter, Gloria, therefore established a *In Memory* website page in her honour. This received donations and enabled family and friends to write some lovely words, include memories and some wonderful photographs.

As the eldest of 9 children, she was survived by 5 sisters and 2 brothers and she also was a devoted and loyal wife, nana and great nana, mother-in-law, sister-in-law, Aunty and friend to many.