



Mrs. Susan "Sue" Smith

October 3, 1940 - August 15, 2021

Born in Brockton, MA. on October 3, 1940. Married John Roger Smith, "Roger", on October 2, 1965, at St. Anne's Church, in Bethlehem, PA. Ceremony performed by Roger's cousin, Reverend William J. J. O'Donnell.

In addition to her husband, Sue is survived by her son: Michael Smith of Valparaiso, Indiana; daughter: Diane Petrice (Mike) of Fountain Inn, South Carolina; grandchildren: Nathan Petrice and Joseph Petrice; cherished nieces and nephews, including Alyssa, Gary, Jeff and Todd.

Preceding Sue in death are her parents: Harlan Glenn Allen, Sr. and Margaret Louise Emerson Allen; brother: Lt. Col. H. Glenn "Gubby" Allen Jr.

In 1962, Sue worked for Bethlehem Steel Quincy shipyards in Boston, MA. In 1965 she was transferred to Bethlehem, PA prior to being transferred to Bethlehem's new Burns Harbor Plant in Indiana as an Administrative Assistant. While in Bethlehem, she met her future husband, Roger, which was the start of a 55 year marriage. They moved to Valparaiso, IN, where they lived for 38 years.

Sue got an Associate in Science degree from Fisher College in 1960. After her two children, Diane and Michael, were grown, at 48 years of age, Sue asked Roger if he would mind if she went to Purdue University to finish her

degree. Roger's reply was "go for it" and said he would support her in every way. Sue went back and completed her degree from Purdue University. Only problem she said at Purdue was since she could have been the mother of most of her fellow students. She said she had to get used to them calling her "mom". Sue worked as an Administrative Assistant at Sprague Devices in Michigan City, IN for many years. Sue was a member of St. Paul the Apostle Catholic Church in Seneca, South Carolina.

Sue was a very skillful sewer, quilter, and knitter. Sue loved to knit, quilt, and sew complicated patterns with ease. Sue was happy to help beginners to learn the fine points of sewing and knitting. Even though many of her projects took a long time to complete, she was more than happy to give them away to her friends.

Sue loved to go on train rides. She liked the White Pass & Yukon railroad trip which she did at the end of a 3 week Canadian cruise trip. In her opinion, the railroad trip she liked best was a 4 day Via Rail trip she took from Vancouver, Canada all the way to Toronto. She also supported her husband, Roger, in his model railroad hobby. Sue also loved cruises. She enjoyed cruising the Caribbean with her daughter and family and enjoyed Viking Cruises in the Scandinavian Countries.

Sue loved lobster and for many years took an annual vacation to Camden and Cape Porpoise, Maine. Sue knew how to properly eat a lobster and could down two lobsters in one sitting.

A visitation will be conducted from 6:00-8:00 PM, Friday, August 20, 2021 at Davenport Funeral Home in West Union, SC.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Prisma Cancer Institute, 131 Lila Doyle Dr., Seneca, SC 29672, or Central Railway Museum and Historical

Association, 108 Werner St, Central, South Carolina 29630, in Sue's name.

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG **20**. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Davenport Funeral Home
311 S Highway 11
West Union, SC 29696
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Tribute Wall



“ *Davenport Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of Mrs. Susan "Sue" Smith*



Davenport Funeral Home - August 20, 2021 at 11:18 AM



“ *Mrs. Susan "Sue" Smith*

January 28, 2023 at 01:03 PM



“ *Roger, Mike, Diane, and family, My sincere condolences to all of you .. I was saddened to hear of Sue's passing. Our family enjoyed having your family as neighbors in the years past. Thinking of you all, and prayers for you at this time. Rest in peace, Sue, and be surrounded by God's love.*

Clytis Engel

Clytis Engel - August 24, 2021 at 07:51 PM

GS

“ To Roger and Michael and Diane,
I wished our paths would have crossed more often throughout the years and that I was able to attend the gathering commemorating Sue passing - - - however, Alyssa made me feel as if I were there, telling me about the weekend in detail. I'm sure you all treasure the time you had with Sue and will be missing her dearly. My wishes go out for both comfort in the family and that we somehow get to connect in the future so I can relay that to you all in person.
Gary

Gary Smith - August 22, 2021 at 03:47 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Mrs. Susan "Sue" Smith.



August 20, 2021 at 08:36 AM



“ Serene Retreat was purchased for the family of Mrs. Susan "Sue" Smith.



August 19, 2021 at 02:57 PM

RF

“ *Richard Black & Family purchased the Beautiful i
n Blue for the family of Mrs. Susan "Sue" Smith.*



Richard Black & Family - August 19, 2021 at 12:37 PM

KA

“ *Kathy Addis lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Susan "Sue" Smith*



Kathy addis - August 19, 2021 at 09:54 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the
family of Mrs. Susan "Sue" Smith.*



August 18, 2021 at 01:18 PM

BR

“ *I am grateful I had you in my life for many years sharing countless
hours of sewing and quilting dear Susan. Sincere condolences to
your family may you rest in peace. Prayers for all.*

Beatriz Ruinen

Beatriz Ruinen - August 18, 2021 at 10:50 AM



“ Sue was a lovely lady & great neighbor. She would always send over food & hand made goodies. I have some Clemson Tiger ornaments that Sue made for my Clemson themed Christmas tree.... I will cherish them forever. I will miss our driveway chats & I know she will be missed terribly by her family & close friends.

Roger & family, our thoughts & prayers are with you during this difficult time.

Les & Melissa Walden

Melissa Hamby - August 18, 2021 at 09:19 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Mrs. Susan "Sue" Smith.*



August 18, 2021 at 09:07 AM



“ *I met Susan in 2011 on Quacker Factory cruise and she and her Daughter Diane became my new friends I so blessed having friendship over years.*

Rest In Peace Susan 🌸



Dawn Lazarczyk - August 17, 2021 at 10:42 PM



“ *Sue was very enjoyable company and helped me with various quilting techniques. She had an infectious smile and laugh. I will certainly miss her.*

Carole J Mikkelsen - August 17, 2021 at 07:02 PM

MP

“ *When it comes to in-laws I really lucked out. My mom passed away many years ago but Sue was like a second mom to me. She was one of the kindest people I ever met and I'm fortunate that I was able to be part of her family.*

Mike Petrice - August 17, 2021 at 05:30 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Susan "Sue" Smith.*



August 17, 2021 at 05:00 PM

BS

“ *Bannister, Wyatt & Stalvey purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Mrs. Susan "Sue" Smith.*



Bannister, Wyatt & Stalvey - August 17, 2021 at 04:48 PM

ET

“ *We remember when we visited from England and Diane and Mike took us to meet your parents. We had a wonderful day, a lovely lunch, a boat ride on the lake and great company. We will never forget that day. Good bless you all at this sad time.*

Eileen Todman - August 17, 2021 at 03:47 PM

CL

“ nice lady



cathy link - August 17, 2021 at 02:51 PM