



*Sandra "Sue" Stuart
Vaughn*

Dec. 8, 1946 - Aug. 26, 2024

Sandra "Sue" Stuart Vaughn, 77, of Morganton, NC peacefully passed away after a brief struggle with cancer on August 26, 2024.

She was born in Cripple Creek, Virginia in 1946 to Edith Jonas Stuart and George Stuart. She attended Fries High School, graduated in 1965, and eloped three weeks later with the love of her life, Benton. They soon moved to Newport, NC where they lived for 51 years.

Sue began her work life at Hanes Corporation in Galax, VA. After moving to North Carolina, she worked as a loan officer at Cherry Point Federal Credit Union in Havelock, later becoming a Branch Manager. She left to pursue work with Safrit's Building Supply Company in Beaufort, NC, eventually becoming the Chief Financial Officer. Sue worked for Safrit's for 21 years, retiring in 2012 with many fond memories.

Sue loved art, especially quilting. She spent many lunch hours at Safrit's quilting with Patty Arthur and other friends, making works of art that celebrated others. She loved gardening and would photograph beautiful flowers she found on her adventures with Benton. Sue enjoyed playing Canasta, teaching her grandson how to win and lose with grace.

Sue will be lovingly remembered by her husband of 59 years, Benton Vaughn; son, Ken Vaughn (Amy); grandson, Evan; adopted granddaughter Irina Brown (Chase); brother, Darrell Stuart (Debbie); sister, Penny Allen (David); brother-in-law Calvin Vaughn, and many beloved nieces and nephews.

Preceding Sue in death are parents, Edith and George Stuart; brothers, Wade Stuart, Otis Stuart; and sister Patsy (Pat) Huffman.

A private graveside service will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in Sue's memory can be made to the American Cancer Society.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Mr. Benton, the Willis' and Campbell's have you in our prayers. You and Mrs. Sue were so love by us. Thank you for being the best of friends with my grandparents "the soupy's"! You were always so kind to us. Your love for our sweet Liam was always so sweet to me and you would absolutely adore Mr. Luke. My heart hurts for your Mr. Benton. Please know, we think of you often. Sending my love, Kristin

—Kristin and Andrew Willis

Aunt Sue was such a special lady to me! I have so many wonderful memories with her, Ken, and Benton. I will forever cherish those times. I pray for comfort and peace for everyone. Our family loved her so much. Until we meet again, Aunt Sue. Kim, Rick, Courtney, Derek, Sydney and Sinjun.

—Kim Isom

Duane, I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Miss Sue. I didn't know her well, but when I saw the two of you at West Carteret ball games, it was obvious to me that you guys were best friends for life. I think about you often and the many crosswords, sudokus, and Rook games in which we participated over the years at Cherry Point. My thoughts are with you today as you mourn the loss of your wonderful wife. May she rest in peace. -Rick Weires

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When Ricky and I got married, we moved in a small mobile home park in Newport.

Sue, Benton, and Kenny were our neighbors. We shared many good times with the Vaughan's. Kenny was the only child in the parl and was loved by all. Our daughter in law's brother bought their home Eastover Ct. I pray God will help y'all to weather the next year of first without Sue Sincerely, Ricky and Mary Willis

–Mary Willis

Amy, Evan and Ken- I am so sorry to hear of your loss. Prayers for grace and love over your dear, sweet family

–Penny Jenkins



How fortunate was I to have the best sister and friend in my life. Part of my heart will be missing until I see her again. Prayers for and love to all.

–Penny Allen



Susie was the best sister and friend anyone could ever have. There is a part of my heart missing that I won't get back until I see her again. I love you all very much.

–Penny Allen



Uncle Benton, Kenny, Amy and Evan, I'm so sorry! Heaven keeps filling with our greatest treasures in this life. I'm sure Aunt Susie was greeted at the gate by Mom and our family who has gone before us. Please know we are praying for you all and send all our love. Stephanie, Greg, Cam, Cai'lee and Cason

–Stephanie Huffman Gamble





She was the best friend that I had ever

–Jonathan Kirk

Ken, Amy, Evan, and Irina, I am so sorry for your loss. I will be praying for God to ease your pain as your lives go on without her, but with beautiful memories.

Jackie Ward

–Jacquelyn Ward

Aunt Sue was a special lady, She always hugged me when would meet and again when we parted ways . She always brought a smile and joy into the room , very dedicated to her family . To Benton and Kenny I'm so sorry that Sue is no longer with you but we will see her again in Heaven. I know that Ma, Pa, Dad, Otis , Patsy meet Sue and what a wonderful Hug they shared . God bless this family

–Jimmy Stuart