



Susan S. Ford

April 7, 1942 - October 16, 2021

Susan Spencer Ford was a daughter, sister, wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and friend. She passed away peacefully at home in Hockessin, DE on October 16th at age 79. She is survived by her husband David, their children, Christopher, Shawn, Marlee, Jana, Ashley, 12 grandchildren and her great granddaughter.

She was born to Harvey and Maureen Spencer in Wellsville, New York on April 7th, 1942. Sue was a graduate of the University of Michigan and the University of California, Berkeley and worked as a physical therapist. Sue met and married David Ford, and they created a home and family with five children, Chris, Shawn, Marlee, Jana and Ashley. She worked as a physical therapist for the Delaware Curative Workshop at A.I. DuPont Children's Hospital and also, at multiple nursing homes in the Wilmington area.

After a few early moves, Sue and David settled in a home in Hockessin, Delaware, where they lived until she passed. Her three daughters were adopted from Korea through Welcome House adoption agency. Her love of children also led her to volunteer as an escort to accompany newly adopted children to the US from Korea. After working as a stay-at-home parent for several years, she went back to school at Delaware State University to earn a Master's degree in Social Work, while still raising her children. Sue specialized as an adoption social worker with Welcome House, facilitating and making possible the adoption of hundreds of orphan babies and children from Korea, China, Russia, Romania, India, and the Philippines during her long career. After retiring from her social worker position, Sue also worked as a travel agent and later retired as a head teller with PNC bank. She was lucky to have only been robbed twice, but at least she did get the rest of the day off (ha ha).

Sue was a devout Christian--she and David sacrificed in many ways for the sake of living and enacting their values. One significant way was investing in private Christian school for all of their children. She has been a member of the Pike Creek Bible Church community for over 50 years, more than a half century, and many of the people gathered here today to celebrate her life and mourn her passing are from her church community.

Sue enjoyed playing the piano and singing; she spent several years serving in the church choir. She also enjoyed playing cards, crossword puzzles, and especially loved traveling. Sue had a passion for collecting figurines, with a special love for owls. She enjoyed

feeding birds and watching the wildlife around their home. Sue was also a huge football fan, who cheered on the Eagles from her home. She truly loved and enjoyed her children, grandchildren, and great granddaughter—they are her most profound legacy. Her grandchildren include-Alexis, Mason, Hayden, Harrison, Clayton, Reese, Taylor, Chad, Sky, Maddison, Nina, Momo, and her great granddaughter Hazel, and one grandchild on the way, who will be born to Alexis in April 2022.

Relatives and friends are invited to a visitation on October 21, 2021 from 10 to 11 AM at Pike Creek Bible Church, 199 Polly Drummond Hill Road in Newark, where a celebration of life will be held at 11 AM. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Charis fund of Pike Creek Bible Church (select Charis from pulldown menu), or the Sunday Breakfast Mission.

Cemetery

Events

Private

OCT 21 **Visitation** 10:00AM - 11:00AM

Pike Creek Bible Church
199 Polly Drummond Hill Road, Newark, DE, US

OCT 21 **Celebration of Life** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Dear David,
We are sorry for the loss of your dear wife Sue. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers. I remember seeing you both at our family reunions.
Fondly,
John and Carol (Briscoe) Evans

Carol Evans - October 20, 2021 at 06:37 PM