



Suzanne Dorothy Strott

July 10, 1942 - June 7, 2019

On Chicago's hottest day of the year in 1942, Sue was born to William and Georgiana (Vesely) Walter at St. Mary of Nazareth Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. Soon after she joined an older brother, Bill, at home.

She graduated from the Blessed Agnes parochial school in 1956 and later, Providence High School in 1960.

Sue worked for the Railroad Retirement Board on Chicago's Rush Street and later, as a ticket agent for Braniff International Airlines at O'Hare International Airport, where, in the course of her duties, she obtained the autograph of Astronaut John Glenn for her brother, Bill, who was then in Navy flight training.

She soon met Bob Torrance and went on to marry him in a suburb of Toronto, Ontario. They divorced after 6 years and Sue moved to the Tampa Bay area to be close to her Mother and Stepfather, Gigi and Bob Buchman.

Not long after, she met and married the love of her life, Army Veteran Jack Strott, a High School Science teacher. They did not part until he passed in 2001. Theirs was a life full of the appreciation of nature, frequent visits to their weekend homes in Citrus County's Arrowhead region and on the Suwanee River in North Florida, traveling in the U.S.A. and abroad as well as hunting for deer, hogs and elk.

Sue was a gourmand with specialty dishes acquired from her Slavic forbears, but many of her dishes were inspired by her husband's penchant for Southern cooking. A favorite time for friends and family was their annual "wild game feasts" held during the holidays where one meat was always "the mystery meat". It was then that Sue mastered, for example, the preparation of goat and armadillo!

After Jack's passing, Sue became involved with a singles group of like-minded individuals and also became a member of the Columbiettes at St. Paul's, her Catholic Church Parish. She was also known to care for the homeless with the St. Vincent DePaul organization. Sue managed 3 apartments on her property which she kept filled with tenants for many years. More recently, she was best known for her fabulous landscape paintings, of which there are many in existence today.

She was preceded in passing by her parents, Bill Walter (1913-1963), Georgiana (Vesely) Walter Bucman (1917-2006), stepfather Bob Bucman (1905-1987) and husband, Jack

Strott (1933-2001). She leaves to grieve her loss, her stepchildren, Alan Strott, Bradley Strott (Joyce), Douglas Strott (Jackie) and Valeree Strott and brother, Bill Walter (Helen) and numerous grandchildren, great grandchildren, nieces and nephews, and many special friends.

Visitation will be 5pm – 7pm Friday, June 14, 2019 in the chapel of Memorial Park Funeral Home 5750 49th St. N, St Petersburg, Florida 33709. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:00 am Saturday, June 15, 2019 at St. Paul Catholic Church 1800 12th St N, St. Petersburg, FL 33704. She will be laid to rest in Memorial Park Cemetery, St Petersburg, Florida. In her honor, memorial contributions are suggested to the American Heart Association – Greater Southeast Affiliate PO Box 840692 Dallas, TX 75284-0692. Online memories and condolences may be shared on Sue's tribute page at www.memorialparkfuneralhome.com

Cemetery

Events

Memorial Park Cemetery JUN

5750 49th Street North

St. Petersburg, FL, 33709

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Visitation

05:00PM - 07:00PM

Memorial Park Funeral Home

5750 49th Street North, St. Petersburg, FL, US, 33709

JUN Mass of Christian Burial 10:00AM

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St. Paul's Catholic Church

St. Petersburg, FL, US

Comments



“ An external video has been added.



Memorial Park Funeral Home - June 12 at 12:20 PM



“ Family and friends of Sue are in our thoughts honoring her memory... With deepest sympathy, James & Lynn



James & Lynn - June 14 at 12:31 AM



“ Heavenly Heights Bouquet was purchased for the family of Suzanne Dorothy Strott.



June 13 at 11:37 AM



“ I don't remember a day that I didn't know you Sue; from kindergarten to graduating high school to today. You always made whatever that was happening memorable: writing the 8th grade class prophecy (you became a writer and I traveled - somewhat prophetic); working on Twin Towers at Prov; girls' night out with your Mom (good times); being together for the 50th Prov reunion; your Christmas newsletter. You were bigger than life; more thoughtful than most people. Truly, you're one of a kind. Won't say that I'll miss you because you'll always be in my heart. I love you! Your lifelong friend, Skip



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Memorial Park Funeral Home - June 10 at 01:04 PM



“ Wishing my condolences to Sue's family so sorry for your loss

Cecilia Donnelly - June 11 at 08:06 AM



“ I always think of Sue as a strong, "can-do" woman, ready to tackle any physical project, and later, exploring and developing her artistic talents. We shared interests in plants, home improvement, art and fun.

You have my sympathy. I shall miss her.

Jude Bagatti

Jude Bagatti - June 11 at 09:00 AM



“ I will never forget Sue's huge vibrant welcoming smile and her wonderful laugh. I truly admired her spirit. My deepest sympathy to all of the family, I know you will miss her. RIP Sue.

Elaine Cidlowski

Elaine Cidlowski - June 11 at 11:44 AM



“ I am remembering warmly my friend, Sue, whom I met when we were students at Providence High School. Some special remembrances were the great conversations and camaraderie that we had “around the lunch table” at our school cafeteria. Through the years she and I unfortunately lost touch with each other but were reunited at our 50th High School reunion. To me she had not changed at all. Her infectious smile and enthusiasm were still there. I'm so glad that we had a chance to see and meet each other again and to stay in touch a bit after that. My prayers and sympathy are with all of her family. May God keep her in His care.

Sincerely, Maureen(Warnock)

Gardner

Maureen(Warnock)Gardner - June 12 at 10:34 PM



“ Our Deepest condolences to all family and friends who will greatly miss Sue. We always knew her as a happy energetic and classy lady who loved life. Of course, most of the times we had the pleasure of being with Sue was at some sort of celebration, a birthday, a Super Bowl, or party of some kind. That's when she seemed in her element, with good friends, good food, and enjoying the moment. She will be missed by all of us.

Gary and Jan Zeigler

