



Susan J. Peelen

April 10, 1949 - May 15, 2014

Susan Janis Peelen, age 65, of Okoboji, passed away Thursday, May 15, 2014, after a brief battle with Cancer at the Dougherty House in Sioux Falls, South Dakota. She was born on April 10, 1949, in Primghar, Iowa, to Merle and Leona (Lohff) Haye.

Susan graduated from Sutherland High School in 1967, and from the St. Luke's School of Nursing at Morningside College in 1970, as a Registered Nurse. She worked as a registered nurse for over forty years, including 27 years at Village Northwest in Sheldon. Susan was united in marriage to David Peelen on June 25, 1971, in Sutherland.

Susan was a member of Calvary United Methodist Church in Arnolds Park, where she was the church treasurer and played the piano for many services. She enjoyed spending her spare time playing the piano, photography, boating, fishing and learning new technologies. Susan's true passion in life was her family!

Susan is survived by her husband, David Peelen of Okoboji; daughter, Holly Chase, and her husband, Guy of Minneapolis, Minnesota; son, Matthew Peelen, and his partner, Tamala of Seattle, Washington; grandson, Sebastian David Chase; granddaughter, Sophia Chase; mother, Leona Haye of Spirit Lake; brother, Mike Haye, and his wife, Jan of Wall Lake; niece and nephews, Adam, Jenna and Brady; and a special friend, Sue Starkenburg of Sheldon. She was preceded in death by her father, Merle Haye; and an aunt, Opal Kaiser.

A memorial service will be held at 11:00A.M. Saturday, May 17, 2014, at the Schuchert Funeral Home. A memorial visitation will be held Friday, May 16, 2014, from 5:00P.M. until 8:00P.M. at the Schuchert Funeral Home. Burial will be at Lakeview Gardens Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the Calvary United Methodist Church in Arnolds Park or the Village Northwest Unlimited in Sheldon.

The Schuchert Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

SS

“ Dave, I just learned of Susan's passing through the St. Luke's Newsletter. I am so sorry to know that she is no longer here to share your life and world. I went to Sutherland High School-and was one of your students-and also St. Luke's. She was a supportative upper classman to me in school, just showing a hint of how special she would be to all those with whom she shared her life.

Stephanie Seyer - September 23, 2014 at 12:26 PM

MH

“ Dave and family, so sorry to hear that Susan had passed away. She was a great person, she worked at Village Northwest when I did. She was such a big help to me and my family when my husband and father died in May of 1987.

Millie Harms - May 25, 2014 at 10:51 PM

JW

“ Dave & Family So sorry to hear of Susan's passing, we were cousins, she will be missed by all.
Janice Triplett Wede

Janice Triplett Wede - May 19, 2014 at 03:08 PM

JM

“ Sue was a AWESOME nurse! But she was a AWESOME person! When I began school to become a nurse, she would encourage me, and let me know that I could do it! And when I did, she sent me card letting me know that she believed in me. I will miss her great personality, and Caring way she took care of her family, and friends! She will be Missed!

Janelle Martin - May 18, 2014 at 12:45 PM

SB

“ Oh, Peelen Family. I am so sorry for your loss. So many great memories. You are in my thoughts and prayers.

Stacy (Schoeberlein) Bartlett - May 17, 2014 at 04:27 PM

LF

“ Dave, Holly and Matt and families,
So, sorry to hear of your Mom's passing. I enjoyed working with her with Band Boosters. She had such a great smile and infectious laugh! Please accept my sincere sympathies for you all!
Respectfully,
Luci A. Ferrin

Luci Ferrin - May 17, 2014 at 01:09 PM

VB

“ We are sorry for your loss. Susan was a nurse the Village when our son was there. She was such a comfort to us when David passed away. We are sure she will be missed by many.
Don and Vivian Bunte

Vivian Bunte - May 16, 2014 at 07:12 PM

AZ

“ So sorry Dave and Mike and family for your loss. Sue was a great accompanist for me at Sutherland. We always thought that she was a very loving person and we thoroughly enjoyed her friendship and her piano talent. She will be missed indeed. Allen and Tylene Zevenbergen

Allen and Tylene Zevenbergen - May 16, 2014 at 07:02 PM

PH

“ Mike and all the family, so sorry to hear of Sue's passing. Thinking of all of you.

Patty Welch Howard - May 16, 2014 at 03:32 PM

JC

“ We've only known Sue for a few years, but she was always there with a kind word and a smile. She was so great in helping people learn their singing parts for our Community Theatre production and will be truly missed. Bill and Jackie Carpenter

Jackie Carpenter - May 16, 2014 at 03:20 PM

CS

“ Susan J. Peelen

Chad Schuchert - May 16, 2014 at 11:13 AM