



Susan E. Guzman

November 12, 1954 - July 6, 2019

Susan E. Guzman (Hayes), age 64, left this earth to fulfill her spiritual journey on Saturday, July 6, 2019. She was born on November 12, 1954 to Bruce and Ruth (Purcell) Cox in Mattoon, IL. Sue was a follower of the Baha'i faith. A cornerstone of her faith was the essential worth of all religions, and the unity and equality of all people. Sue exemplified this in all that she did and accomplished in her time here. She was an intuitive and sensitive soul who had the ability to quickly connect with people, animals and even objects that inspired her!

She was an only child but found community and family in her co-workers and neighbors. She was much loved by all and accepted people just as they came to her!

A Baha'i analogy about the spiritual release surrounding the death of a physical being is particularly apropos when considering the loss of our dear friend. Sue loved birds (and dogs) but, had a particular connection to her winged children.

For those of us who loved her and will miss her sweet and giving heart remember these words.....

“To consider that after the death of the body the spirit perishes,” ‘Abdu’l-Bahá has said “is like imagining that a bird in a cage will be destroyed if the cage is broken, though the bird has nothing to fear from the destruction of the cage. Our body is like the cage, and the spirit is like the bird...if the cage becomes broken, the bird will continue and exist. Its feelings will be even more powerful, its perceptions greater, and its happiness increased...”

Sue has left to pursue spiritual growth on another plane, but she will be remembered and cherished by these friends and loved one's left here.

Survived by her husband Frank Guzman, “soul sister” Denise Montambo (Schott), longtime friends Tim and Cindy, Tom and Rox, her feathered babies, 302 and Sophie, fur

buddies Lucy and Ricky, cousins Peggy, Joe, Tony, Jack, and many other friends and neighbors.

A graveside service will be held at 3:00PM on Monday, July 8, 2019 at St. Mary's Cemetery, 1915 Park St, Muskegon, MI 49441. A small gathering with the Guzman family will take place after the service. Arrangements by The Sytsema Chapel of Sytsema Funeral & Cremation Services, 737 E. Apple Ave, Muskegon, MI 49442. Please feel free to sign and to share memories with the family at www.sytsemafh.com.

Events

JUL **Graveside Service** 03:00PM

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St. Mary's Cemetery

1915 Park St., Muskegon, MI, US, 49441

Comments



“ "Coxie" was my childhood friend starting in first grade. I remember when her dad died and when Ilene and Susie moved into town and started life over. She was a "birder" then and always was. She could make you laugh and brighten a room up and forget your troubles. It is with great sadness and surprise i heard about her passing. I remember her writing me and telling me about getting married again to Frank. Sadly Christmas cards got fewer between us but I had hoped she would come back to Mattoon for 1 last school reunion and could see her again. Joyce young and i and Coxie all paled around together those years ago. That was a great class of 1972 photo of her.
My sympathy to all. Janice Bogard Russell.

Janice Russell - July 10 at 08:35 PM



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“ I worked with Sue for many years and she has forever impacted my life and many others. She was always positive and happy. She would walk into a room and everyone would be happier because of her presence. I can here her now in her best Mrs. Doubtfire voice saying "Helllooooo" with her arms wide open to give you a hug. Even after Sue no longer worked with the company we all stayed in touch. I was even entrusted with bird and dog watching her babies at my house when she had to be away for an extended time. Her memory will always be warm in my heart. I will never forget you Sue. Until we say "Helllooooo" again, rest easy my friend.

Mary Soldano - July 07 at 04:06 PM