



Susan Karen Peterson

January 4, 1948 - March 29, 2023

Susan Karen (Suesens) Peterson, age 75, Portland, Oregon passed away on March 28, 2023. She was born in Vancouver, Washington in January 1948 to John and Betty Suesens. She was a wonderful mother and grandmother, had many friends, and was a well loved member of the community. She is survived by her loving son Leif [Alice] Peterson, grandchildren Grace and Violet of Portland; Sister Peggy Van De Moortele of Cornelius; nieces Laura Van De Moortele and Jaime [Datton] Khuu, and grand-nieces Zoey, Penelope and Elsie. She is predeceased by her sister Sherry Suesens and brother-in-law Ray Van De Moortele.

Susan was an elementary school teacher for 35 years both in Lincoln City and in Portland. She loved teaching and advocating for children. She was an artist who loved to draw and paint and often found inspiration from her travels to the Oregon Coast, Paris, Hawaii and New York.

A graveside memorial will be held at 2pm on Saturday, April 22 at Evergreen Memorial Gardens, 1101 NE 112th Ave, Vancouver, WA

Tribute Wall

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“ I taught music for 6 years at Sam Case School in Newport OR. where Susan was a teacher. As someone who entered every classroom regularly, I was always astounded at how adept she was at classroom control with her soft voice. Susan (nee Suessens) Peterson was also one of the first people I EVER met as we were born in the same hospital 2 days apart. I'm sure I cried louder than she did. (St. Joseph Hospital in Vancouver WA) Her softspoken manner was a beautiful technique for classroom management. Her memory will always be a blessing for me. My deepest condolences to the family.

Gary Ritter - April 22, 2023 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Funeral Chapel and Crematory

A Memorial Tree was planted for Susan Karen Peterson - March 30, 2023 at 12:00 AM