



Susan Jane Eriksen

January 21, 1940 - June 21, 2012

Susan Jane Eriksen, wife of David Eriksen, daughter of Clarence and Anne Cornell, died suddenly and painlessly of cardiac arrest Thursday evening, June 21, 2012 in her home. Susan was born January 21st, 1940. She grew up in Wapakoneta, Ohio. Susan attended Ohio State University where she met David. Together they had four children and resided in Toledo for the last 40 years.

Susan's life revolved around helping others. She retired from nursing after her second child was born and has been volunteering in Toledo for the last 40 years. She was a member of the Junior League. One of her passions was working for Children as a Court Appointed Child Advocate (CASA). She started out as a volunteer and retired 20 years later. Her compassion touched countless families.

Susan was a gourmet cook. It was a passionate hobby that family and friends enjoyed nearly everyday. She was an avid reader. Book club was one of her many favorite pastimes. She was a gardener with patio flowers second to none. Her family knows of no one who had more friends. She cherished them and they cherished her.

As expected from this wonderful woman, her priority and devotion was as a Wife to David; Mother to Leif, Kirsten Homberger, Heidi Bleyer and Hans; and

Grammy to Mason, Elena, Abigail, Madeleine, Hannah and Nicholas.

A memorial visitation will be at the Coyle Funeral Home 1770 So. Reynolds Road Wednesday 3-7p.m. Interment will be private. Memorials may take the form of a contribution to CASA. (c/o Carol Martin, Director cmarti@co.lucas.oh.us 419-213-6787)

Tribute Wall



“ *There has been no finer woman on this planet.*

Warm sympathy and condolences to Dave.

Gordon Mather##imported-begin##Gordon Mather Gmather@pol.net##imported-end##

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“ *I am so shocked & extremely sad, almost at a loss for words that Susan would find humorous. Susan was Director of Volunteers at the CASA program when I took the training & became a CASA. She was always more than a mentor, she was a true friend who remained my friend after she left the program. I can't imagine the world without Susan. My world will certainly never be the same. We shared the same sense of humor & the same sense of community. I can't express how much I will miss her.##imported-begin##Ruth Trznadel annyrt@aol.com##imported-end##*

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“ *Words cannot express what a loss this is in losing Susan, the most kind, loving person anyone could ever hope to know...I met Susan when I joined the CASA program 20 years ago, and we have remained friends...My very sincere sympathy to her family, husband, children and grandchildren....##imported-begin##Janet Veres casa5859@aol.com##imported-end##*

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“ So sorry for the loss of Susan. She was a great woman who shared her immense talents with others. She will be missed.##imported-begin##Anne Oliver Niner##imported-end##

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“ I am sorry for your loss. I keep thinking about how she loved frogs and how she and my mom would read books about India. We loved the oyster roll she brought down at Christmas. I loved our times at the lake.##imported-begin##Kelly Gorman kellygorman88@yahoo.com##imported-end##

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“ I worked in Juvenile Court for many years and had frequent contact with Sue when I was a G.A.L. The world has lost a truly fine and compassionate lady. Bless your buttons Sue,,,,,rest in peace.##imported-begin##Mel Pommeranz pbdy4shrmn@gmail.com##imported-end##

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“ Hans,
I am so sorry to hear about your mom. If there is anything you need, please don't hesitate to call.##imported-begin##Bev Cox##imported-end##

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“ Dear Dave & family
Am so sorry to hear about Susan. One can't express how sad it is to hear this news. We can only say she didn't suffer, and except for the shock to everyone, it's a good way to go. I've experienced the same with Jim last April. Know he would have wanted it that way. Again please have my deepest sympathy.
Sincerely
Ruth Emrick, dear friend of her sister Judy.##imported-begin##Ruth Emrick##imported-end##

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“ I had the privilege of serving on a charity board with Susan. Her smile and her laughter would light up the darkest room. My deepest sympathy to her family.##imported-begin##Rick Risner##imported-end##

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“ Deepest sympathy to you and your family. You are in our prayers.##imported-begin##Pastor Tom Curtis
Tom@sosevents.org##imported-end##

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Tom@sosevents.org##imported-end##

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“ Susan will be sorely missed...but what a way to go-no suffering. She's in a better place now. What a great person and my FAVORITE Aunt always! Thoughts and prayers are with the family.##imported-begin##Janet Dingledine##imported-end##

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“ A wonderful lady. Always a joy to be around. She will be missed. Our sincere condolences.##imported-begin##The Nessif's drsnessif@msn.com##imported-end##

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“ To my dear friend and her family, What a special person you were...your love for your family and your life showed in everything you did and said. We shared many special times of fun and talk and food and wine. I will miss you immensely, my friend. Love, Debbie##imported-begin##Debbie Joslin##imported-end##

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“ Heidi, I was so so sad to hear about your mother's passing. I hope you, your dad and your siblings find peace with each other while you grieve and remember your mother. Please know that Daryl, Doug, Andrew and me are thinking of you and your family. Love, Margaret##imported-begin##Margaret Clarida (Heidi's friend in Atlanta) mclarida@comcast.net##imported-end##

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“ I had the privilege of working with Susan at the CASA Office for many years. We continued our relationship after her retirement. It saddened me to hear of Susan's passing. It also saddens me that I am in Florida and will not be home for the service. To Dave and the family I am so sad for our great loss. Your thoughts are in my prayers.##imported-begin##Henrietta Galyas##imported-end##

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“ What a pleasured Susan was to know . I loved her passion for life, family and having fun ...enjoying life...always up for travel opportunity and helping and hanging out with her kids and grandkids. It will be a great loss for me not to see her smiling face come thru the doors of Attitudes, but I know she is smiling down on us all!!!!!!!!!!!!!!##imported-begin##phil and janice Edinger##imported-end##

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“ To Dave and all the children, my sympathies are with you all. I lost my mom, Carol Edwards four years ago so I know how you are grieving. I know that Susan was instrumental in getting my mother involved in CASA and she loved your family dearly. You are all in my prayers.##imported-begin##Stephanie Dieter (formerly Curtis) O huknowitsme123@aol.com##imported-end##

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“ My condolences to dave and family. She was always great to be around and talk to.##imported-begin##Norm white##imported-end##

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“ *Dave and Family,
You have our deepest condolences!##imported-begin##Gene &
LaVerne Curtis quacky@tbbs.net##imported-end##*

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“ *Dear Heidi,
I am so sorry to hear about your mother. You and your family are in
my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Shelly
Bieszki##imported-end##*

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“ *No words can begin to express the sorrow I feel for your loss. I feel
so very fortunate to belong to such a loving family as ours, which
Susan was such a large part in making. I am the lucky one for
having her in my life as an aunt.##imported-
begin##Steve##imported-end##*

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“ *Heidi, I am so saddened to hear about your MOther's death. My
heart goes out to you and your family during this time.##imported-
begin##Megan Coyle Stamos##imported-end##*

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“ We are so sad to hear about Susan's death!
She was such a great lady and friend of our mom and dad. I loved
her beautiful smile and sense of humor. You are all in our
prayers.##imported-begin##Kathy Gorman Rogers sfo908@comca
st.net##imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.##imported-
begin##Jim DeVilbiss##imported-end##

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“ Dear Dave and all the family,
I'm so sorry for your loss, such a shock. Gracious and
compassionate are the words that come immediately to my mind to
describe Susan. I remember her most through CASA, where she
gave so much of herself--always there for anyone and everyone.
She will be missed by so many.##imported-begin##Anne Burnham
acsburnham@gmail.com##imported-end##

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“ It is hard to believe that Susan, such a vivacious and animated
woman, is gone so suddenly. My deepest sympathy goes out to the
Erikson family and all of Susan's many friends. Everyone will miss
her quick smile and wit.##imported-begin##Christy Lorton christylort
on@gmail.com##imported-end##

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“ To the family of Susan, I knew Susan as a teen ager we were good friends and I have many wonderful memories of high school years sharing and being close with our other friends. She was a beautiful person and cared for all with a special love. God bless you and I wish God's peace in her passing. She will be missed. Sincerely,
Wanda Meyers Schumann###imported-begin##Wanda Meyers Schumann###imported-end##

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“ Dear Kirsten and the entire Eriksen family,
My deepest sympathies to all of you during this difficult time. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers during the days and weeks ahead.
Sincerely,
Tom Kraus###imported-begin##Tom Kraus
tom.kraus@comcast.net###imported-end##

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“ ###imported-begin##Harry & Judy Dewitz###imported-end##

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“ Our thoughts and prayers re Susan are in mind for your family
Dave.###imported-begin##Harry & Judy Dewitz###imported-end##

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“ Dear Dave and Family;

My favorite memory of Sue was my driving home during an absolute cloud burst years ago. It caught Sue walking on Copland next to TCC golf course. I stopped and picked her up and drove her home. She couldn't have been more wet if she had dived in the lake, but she was forever grateful, and thanked me for years after. I will miss my wonderful neighbor and friend. God Bless.##imported-begin##Steve Boice##imported-end##

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“ David,

I am very sorry to hear of your loss, our thoughts and prayers are with you and your entire family.

Jay Hannan##imported-begin##Jay & Amy Hannan & Family jayh@seagateplastics.com##imported-end##

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“ Dear Dave and family,

Our deepest sympathy to you and you family. We remember Susan as a very caring and wonderful person. She was very kind and loving to our family. You are all in our prayers and thoughts.##imported-begin##Joe and Marilyn Warner##imported-end##

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“ *Dear Leif and Family,
My sympathy to you Leif & your family during this very sad time. I too lost my Father just days before your Mother passed away & I know how hard it is to say goodbye to a loving parent. Please know my prayers are with you . I remember your Mom's warm smile from our days in high school.
Betsy Cothern###imported-begin###Betsy Cothern Booth###imported-end##*

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“ *Dr. Eriksen, Leif, Kirsten, Heidi & Hans,
I was saddened to hear of Mrs. Eriksen's sudden passing. My deepest sympathy to all of you. She was a lovely lady and I always enjoyed seeing her when she would stop by the office during the time I worked there. May God's blessings help you through this difficult time.###imported-begin###Bea McCann bmstampin@yahoo.com###imported-end##*

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“ *Susan was a very special person. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers.
Fondly, The Bauer Family###imported-begin###Sarah (Brading) Bauer###imported-end##*

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“ My world became a better place having been involved with Susan and Carol through CASA. Susan was patient and above all, caring and taught me the true joy of giving for the benefit of another. I learned so much from her and was always greeted with a smile and words of encouragement. I feel blessed to have been touched by her life. As many people as she must have met in her life, she still remembered me when I took my mom in to see David-never made the connection-but Susan did. You are all in my thoughts and prayers and know she is watching over you. She is and was a true angel.##imported-begin##Melissa Jean (Portentoso) mejlp@live.com##imported-end##

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