



## Susan "Su" Dever

June 20, 1942 - October 18, 2020

Susan (Su) Dever, age 78, from Sterling Heights, MI passed away suddenly on October 18, 2020.

Loving mother of Jennifer (Brad) Lewis and Chris Dever. Beloved Grandmother to Kyle (Colette) Lewis, Lindsey (Mikal) Koss, Lauren Lewis, Katie Lewis, Ryan Dever, Alissa Dever, and Finn Dever. Proud Great Grandmother to Hayes and Elliott Koss, Ernie Lewis, and Oliver DeBettignies. She also has two surviving sisters, Mickey Schempp and Beth (Steve) Holub.

Su was born June 20, 1942. She grew up in Pleasant Ridge, Michigan. She raised her two children in Royal Oak, while working as a social worker for the State of Michigan. She made many lifelong friends at work. In 1985, she was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis. Su always claimed she had the best case of MS. Despite the disabilities it caused her, she lived her life on her terms overcoming many obstacles. Shortly after retiring in 1992, she moved to Las Vegas, Nevada. She enjoyed the sunshine, gambling and hosting friends and family. Su had many hobbies including needle crafts like knitting, crocheting, cross stitch and ornament making. She made blankets and over 100 Christmas ornaments which will be treasured gifts for years to come. Card games and backgammon were passions of hers. She was a fierce competitor. Traveling was another passion. She had a deep curiosity about different cultures and traveled the world to learn about them. She visited every continent except Antarctica. However, she came close in a cruise around South America. Su moved back to Michigan in 2019. She was able to connect with old friends and family. It was a blessing to have her close again.

Su was one of a kind. She led her life on her own terms....somewhat of a rebel even as a child. She was generous and sensitive to those less fortunate. She lived a full life and will live on in our hearts.

In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to St. Jude Children's Hospital.  
<http://www.stjude.org>



# Events

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**OCT**   **Memorial Visitation**                      04:00PM - 06:00PM

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Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights  
3801 18 Mile Road, Sterling Heights, MI, US, 48314

# Comments

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“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Susan "Su" Dever.



October 24, 2020 at 09:05 AM

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“ My Aunt Su was an amazing woman. She was like “another mother” to me and I will forever treasure the time I got to spend with her. I lived with her for a brief time and I’m grateful for the laughs ( boy did we laugh!!) the support, and strength I got from her.

Her wanderlust took her all over the world, and even with her MS she was stronger than many and braver than most. Rest easy Aunty I will miss you.

My heart goes out to my cousins Jenna and Chris and their families and my Aunties Mickey and Beth. I hope you can take comfort knowing Mimi is up there for her and they can now travel together again.

**lola** - October 23, 2020 at 08:21 PM

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“ Su was a blessing and close friend to my father when they both lived in Las Vegas. She was always there for him, especially in his last months. I know he loved her very much. She will be missed greatly.

On behalf of my family, please accept our deepest condolences for your loss.

Respectfully yours,

Andrew & Ana Lohmann

**Andrew Lohmann** - October 23, 2020 at 07:16 PM

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“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Susan "Su" Dever.



October 23, 2020 at 06:19 PM

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“ I met Su in 1977 working at Social Services. We hit it off right away. Despite a high stress job we shared our joys and our sorrows, but most of all we had a ton of fun! In 1977 8 women started a girls trip to Rose City, Mi. We have been enjoyl got those trips for 44 years although Su was unable to make it the last few years. We also traveled to Las Vegas and stayed with Su for many years. We are so blessed to have Su be a part of this special friendship. Su was generous, caring and always willing to help others. So adventurous! One time in Vegas she wanted to go skydiving. We all traveled to the skydiving place (Su being the only one who intended to skydive)! Well they decided she could not skydive. All of us were so sad for her. Well Su now you can soar! You will be missed! Love you, Nancy

**Nancy White** - October 23, 2020 at 09:41 AM

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“ I will always remember the fun times we had at the annual pajama parties at Shirley's cottage. What a smart, courageous, adventurous person you were. And, so insightful and caring.

Dottie Lalla Anderson

**Dottie Anderson** - October 22, 2020 at 08:06 PM

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“ Su and I met at work when we were assigned to a project with one another. We traveled the state together. We became good friends. Since then we have travelled to many places together. We had such fun! She could always see the humor in things. She loved to “people watch”. I admired her. She never complained about her health issues, even when she was in extreme pain. She taught me to do the same. I loved her as a “sister”. I will miss her terribly! Prayers and love to all her family and friends.

**Rose Howell** - October 21, 2020 at 06:37 PM

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“ Always " a Coke and a Smile. You will be missed Aunt Sue.

**Brian Schempp** - October 21, 2020 at 06:14 PM

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“ Lynn Willson-Harmon purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Susan "Su" Dever.



**Lynn Willson-Harmon** - October 21, 2020 at 05:38 PM

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“ Treasured Lilies Spray was purchased for the family of Susan "Su" Dever.



October 21, 2020 at 11:26 AM

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“ Ringed by Love was purchased for the family of Susan "Su" Dever.



October 20, 2020 at 04:06 PM

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“ Growing up with you Su as my big sister was an adventure, challenge and a pleasure throughout all the years. I will miss you sorely just like everyone in your family or has been your friend. Rest in final pain free peace.  
Love to all those who are grieving. Hoping in time memories will ease our sorrow.

**Mickey Schempp** - October 20, 2020 at 07:27 AM

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“ My sister Su, was my confidant. She took me to my first concert (Bette Midler) when I was 13. She and I shared the same political views and had fun discussions. She was an adventurer in every sense of the word. I will miss her so much. Prayers and love to all who knew her. Especially Jenny, Chris and their extended families.

**Beth Willson** - October 19, 2020 at 04:45 PM