



## Susan Cathlena Reuter

November 6, 1950 - November 23, 2020

Susan Cathlena Reuter, daughter of Ed and Estelle Reuter and beloved friend to many, passed away on November 23, 2020. Susie graduated from Messick High School and Murray State University, where she was a member of Alpha Delta Pi, but her heart belonged to the University of Memphis Tigers. A devoted Tigers basketball fan, Susie and her friends had season tickets for many years, and attending those Tigers home games was an absolute joy of her life. Susie loved music, movies, art, and gardening. She was a Master Gardener and created a paradise for herself in her backyard. She enjoyed starting plants from seeds and cuttings. She could grow anything and loved her amaryllis, hibiscus, and other garden surprises. Perhaps her greatest gift was her artistic talent. Susie was the most talented person most of those who loved her ever knew. She was a distinguished portrait artist and glass painter, who transitioned her gift into the digital world, becoming a true master of Photoshop. Some of her favorite professional projects were the paintings she did of Jesus and the children for the St. Jude Rotunda and her incredible work for the king himself at the Guesthouse at Graceland. Most of all, Susie will be remembered for her love for others. Susie was a loyal friend who showed bright enthusiasm and genuine interest in the lives of her loved ones. She took note of what mattered to us, remembered what was going on in our lives, and was always there to listen and commiserate. Her voice, her laughter, and her love will never be forgotten.



# Tribute Wall

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“ *It is with great sadness that I learned of Susie's passing just today. She was a bright star at MSU where I met her as a Sister of ADPi. Truly the bubbly Southern Belle, gone too soon. I have thought of her often through the years. God Bless you all.*



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**Sherron Goffinet Pampalone** - June 29, 2022 at 08:50 PM

“ Suzi and I were friends for many years. We met in my hometown of Pinckneyville, Illinois when she and her later, Ex-husband Tom Easton had opened an auto parts store and moved there. They were remodeling their home on Mill Street and ate practically every meal out. I had just graduated from the local Junior College and would wait on them at one of the most famous restaurants in Southern Illinois, Luke's Cafe. I just fell in love with Suzi (mostly) and her husband, and they with me. Suzi was thrilled to learn that I was not much younger than they were and we became friends for many years. When I decided to become a Speech Therapist, I learned from Suzi that she and Tom's Alma Mater, Murray State University had one of the best Speech and Hearing Programs around.

Suzi took me to Murray, Kentucky, to help me enroll in classes for the Fall, 1974 and to find an apartment. We accomplished both that day. My parents had fallen in love with Suzi as well and were thrilled with how Suzi had helped me. When Suzi and Tom would come to events at Murray, we always got together and had such fun on those weekends.

After graduating from Murray, Kentucky, to obtain my Master's Degree, I decided to attend the University of Mississippi in Oxford, Mississippi. Once again, there was Suzi who helped me to visit with the Communication Disorders Department at Oxford, enroll in classes, find another apartment and begin my studies as a graduate student at Ole Miss.

I completed my Master's Degree in a year and a half.

By this time, some friends of mine had moved to Dallas, I decided to move to Dallas, and Suzi and Tom decided to sell their businesses in Pinckneyville and Murphysboro and move to Dallas. It was a very exciting time for all of us. Unfortunately, the plans Tom made to make money when they moved to Dallas did not pan out and in a year and a half, Suzi and Tom ended their marriage and Suzi moved home to Memphis. Neither of us was very happy that we could not live in the same city, but that didn't stop us from being friends. We visited each other in Memphis and in Dallas for years. My gift to Suzi at her last home was a Climbing Fern that she

*planted in her backyard in her new home.*

*To this day, I cannot remember what disagreement came between me and Suzi, being the hard-headed German girls we both are, we could not get past our differences and our friendship ended. We had not spoken to each other in years. However, on occasion, I would check the internet to see how Suzi fared and I was happy to see that she was thriving and appeared to be very happy.*

*Life goes on, in this day and age everyone is so busy; Yesterday, July 12, 2021, I took to the internet to see how Suzi was doing and discovered that she had passed from this Earth. Her obituary was absolute, SUZI. Whoever wrote it, did a perfect job of describing my Friend, Suzi and the picture posted with it was so Suzi as well. It is with so many regrets, that we had not made up with each other. I am so sad that I was not there to support her in whatever illness took her from this Earth.*

*And to you, Suzi, I will always love you and hope that we shall meet again, in a Place in Time that knows no sorrow, nor the time to remember past grievances and regret.*

*Love, Bee 7/13/2021.*

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**Brenda Wildermuth Payne** - July 13, 2021 at 12:28 PM

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“ *Panela Garrett lit a candle in memory of Susan Cathlena Reuter*



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**Panela Garrett** - December 21, 2020 at 04:04 PM