



Susan Kay Garland

November 4, 1953 - October 4, 2018

Sue Garland, 64, lost her battle with cancer on October 4, 2018. Sue was born November 4, 1953 in Fort Dodge, Iowa and moved to Sarasota, FL in 1963 where she spent the rest of her life living her mantra of Live, Laugh, Love. Sue retired from Sarasota County Government in 2011 and spent her retirement years traveling, bowling, enjoying multiple arts & crafts, volunteering and playing games with anyone and everyone. Sue was a part of many organizations: Girl Scouts, Sarasota Bowlers Hall of Fame, APBW, Venice Basket Weavers Guild, Sarasota Surface Design Guild to name a few. Sue loved the Arts and crafted many beautifully woven baskets as well as clay, glass, fabric and paper items. Sue was a proficient bowler winning many awards over the years but also winning the hearts of all she came in contact with. She was sharp witted, loving and giving. Sue loved animals and enjoyed multiple pets throughout her life. Sue loved to volunteer and supported the Girl Scouts by becoming a volunteer troop leader for the past 7 years. Sue is survived by her brothers Kemper Slidell III (Janice) and James Slidell (Joan): nephews and nieces; Bill Slidell, Kemper Slidell IV, April Neuhaus, Justin Slidell, Ashley Schmidt: 10 great nephews and nieces as well as countless cousins and friends and by her loving dog Jibbons. Sue's ashes will be laid to rest with her loving parents Kemper and Ruth Slidell Jr. at Palms Memorial Gardens. A memorial service is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, 2018 at 2:00 pm at Toale Brothers Funeral Home located at 40 North Orange in Sarasota, FL. In lieu of flowers, the family is asking for donations to be made

in Sue's name to Girl Scouts of Gulfcoast FL Inc., 4780 Cattlemen Road,
Sarasota, FL 34233, www.gsgcf.org.

Tribute Wall

TK

“ Sue and I were friends since kindergarten at St. Paul Lutheran school. We spent many great times together as children. I stayed with her in FL. when I came back from a 6 month backpacking trip in Central and South America. She was such a beautiful person. I'm so sorry we lost contact. All my love to her family.

Tina Koller - January 16, 2021 at 08:21 PM

PW

“ I'll cherish every moment we had together. See you again my friend!

Patricia Whorley - November 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ This news saddens my heart ❤️. I worked with Sue at the County and we bowled together at Sarasota Lanes. She was the kindest sweetest person I had the privilege of knowing. Always had a smile on her face. She will be missed! The heavens have gained a beautiful soul. My thoughts and prayers are with her family

Donna Johnson - October 18, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ a sweet neighbor and a great dog lover

Janine Flickner - October 14, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Reading the obituaries looking for my friend's father, I saw Sue's obituary. I'm in shock. Sitting here crying. I ride by her house everyday and everytime I do, I think one of these days I'm going to stop by and say hi. Apparently I haven't seen her since 2010 because she told me she was going to retire soon. I'm so upset with myself that I didn't stop by to say hi. We were best friends our first year (10th grade) at SHS. We talked a lot on the phone and wrote crazy notes to each other. Sue came up with an idea to see who could write the longest note after one week. I wrote about 50 pages to Sue. I mentioned everything I did so mine would be the longest. Ha! Sue won. She wrote her note to me on long adding machine paper. The little stinker! Very clever. We laughed many times over that. Strange thing, I was thinking about Sue this morning because someone on TV mentioned an old, favorite song of mine and Sue loved it after she heard my record. "Tie me kangaroo down sport." I had the 45, we were 16, and Sue asked me if she could borrow it. A couple of months later she gave it back and apologized that she broke it. I was going to look for it online today, but got too busy. I'm going to look for it right now because to have it after Sue's passing will make that record even more special. I'm sorry this is so long, but I had to share. Sending lots of hugs and love to Kemper, Jim, and all the other family members.

Treva Messenger-Lyon - October 14, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Always in my heart, Love you sis.

Jane Hogan - October 12, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Sue left the world too soon; our heartfelt sympathies to the entire Slidell family.

The Montilio family - October 11, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ I was fortunate to have bowled with Sue for many years, both as in Leagues & as team mates. She was so much fun to be with & will be missed

Bev Blakeman - October 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

CP

“ Amazing what you don't know about someone you've been acquainted with for decades. Girl Scout leader? I never knew that. I knew she was exceedingly creative and talented. I knew she was one of those you-can-count-on-me folks at Sarasota County. I knew she loved bowling. I knew she was kind and always said "yes" when Ray asked if he could put his campaign sign in her front yard. I know that I'll miss her good nature at our monthly Sarasota County employee and retirees lunch meetings. Rest in peace, Sue. You'll be missed

Casey Pilon - October 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ Our condolences to Sue's wonderful family. May you all find peace in knowing that Sue is now at peace. So very sorry for the loss of your beautiful sister, aunt, and friend.

Tom and Dannielle Townley - October 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

VT

“ I had worked with Sue for many years. She had such a positive outlook on things in her life. When you around Sue you always had a good time. We shared many laughs working on United Way projects for the County and her dedication to bowling and the County Mixed League were honorary. Sue will certainly be missed. Wishing her family condolences and healing.



Viki Tyree - October 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LT

“ To say that Sue was an inspiration would be an understatement. Her passion for Girl Scouting was known to all, and the impact she had on the lives of girls in her troop can never be measured. She will be missed by so many, but the mark she left on the world is indelible.

Lori Tomlinson - October 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Jody Mann lit a candle in memory of Susan Kay Garland



Jody Mann - October 10, 2018 at 12:00 AM