



Suzanne Sievers

November 12, 1949 - October 16, 2019

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Jefferson, Iowa

Date of Death: October 16, 2019

Memorial services for Suzanne Sievers, 69, of Jefferson, will be held at 11:00am Monday, October 21, 2019 at First United Methodist Church, Jefferson, IA. The family will be present to greet friends at the church beginning at 9:30am Monday. Following the 11:00am memorial service, a meal will be served in Fellowship Hall and the family will visit with friends at that time, too.

Private interment will be in the Jefferson Cemetery at a later time.

Suzanne Whitaker Sievers was born in Bethany, MO, on November 12, 1949, to Clifford and Gladys Whitaker. She died on October 16, 2019, in Jefferson, IA.

Suzanne grew up on a farm in Mt. Moriah, MO, and graduated from Bethany High School. She attended Maryville State College first as a math major, then as a home economics education major. In 1971, she moved to Walnut, IA, for her first teaching job.

In Walnut she met Don Sievers and they married in 1974. Suzanne completed a master's degree at Iowa State University before moving to Jefferson, IA, where she took a job as a home economics teacher at Jefferson High School. During her 25 year tenure at the school, Suzanne founded the Ram Restaurant and pre-school program, which are still successful today.

Suzanne next focused her talents on opening her business, Suzanne Sievers' Designs. She created wearable art and tie-dye in her basement and eventually opened a store front in Jefferson. After many years of exhibiting at craft shows and art festivals, Suzanne combined her love of teaching and sewing and opened The Stitch, a quilt shop and sewing classroom, where she built a community of cherished friends and loved going to

work each day.

Suzanne will be remembered for her kindness, encouragement, creativity, and love for sewing, good food, cruises, wine, and coffee. She was dedicated to the Jefferson community as a teacher, artist, business owner, and friend, and was courageous and positive throughout her many surgeries and battles with cancer.

Suzanne is survived by her children: Shelby (Rod) of Council Bluffs, Chris (Calista) of Ankeny, and Ashley (Jaimeson Parkin) of Minneapolis; three grandchildren: Madelyn, Kinley, and Reed; brother, John (Joyce) Whitaker; sister, Rita (Dale) Tidwell; and many sisters-in-law and brothers in-law; and nephews and nieces.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Don, in 2017; parents: Clifford and Gladys; and several aunts, uncles, and siblings-in-law.

Memorials may be directed to the family.

Services were arranged by Slininger-Schroeder Funeral Home, Jefferson, Iowa.

Cemetery

Events

Jefferson Cemetery **OCT 21** **Visitation with family present to greet friends** 09:30AM - 10:45AM

1019 East Lincoln Way
Jefferson, IA,

First United Methodist Church
307 South Wilson Street, Jefferson, IA, US, 50129

OCT 21 **Memorial Service** 11:00AM

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Comments



“ From the Ettleman's & the Bednar's purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Suzanne Sievers.



From the Ettleman's & the Bednar's - October 20, 2019 at 08:23 PM



“ Dorothy Whitver lit a candle in memory of Suzanne Sievers



Dorothy Whitver - October 19, 2019 at 03:28 PM



“ Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Suzanne Sievers.



October 19, 2019 at 08:53 AM



“ The Stitch is one of my favorite stores to visit but I will miss seeing Suzanne's always smiling face. She was one of the nicest ladies I've ever met and was a boon to the Jefferson community. She will be missed by everyone who knew her.
Donna Albright

Donna Albright - October 19, 2019 at 08:39 AM



“ My deepest sympathies to you all! Suzanne had an immeasurable influence in my life. I first met her when she brought a chocolate cake to our house after we moved to Jefferson and in her neighborhood. This is so typical of her gracious, generous nature. Shortly after that I started working for her at Suzanne Sievers' Designs. She taught me so much about sewing and I credit my love of that to her. Our working relationship soon developed into a good friendship, and I cherish the many memories and laughter we shared. Thank you, Suzanne, for your part in my life! You will be missed!

Denise Knaub - October 18, 2019 at 09:49 PM



“ What a lovely person, I never remember seeing her in a bad mood or upset always a smile always asking how others were doing. I will miss her but I do see so much of her and Don in the kids all wonderful, kind and loving I will keep you all in my prayers may God be your strength and comfort love you all.
Janelle



Janelle Brei - October 18, 2019 at 09:43 PM



“ Judy Testroet lit a candle in memory of Suzanne Sievers



Judy Testroet - October 18, 2019 at 06:15 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Suzanne Sievers.



October 18, 2019 at 04:12 PM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Suzanne Sievers.



October 18, 2019 at 03:37 PM



“ Dear Family and Friends of Suzanne; We were brought together by a common bond- the love of quilting. But it was more than that-it became a friendship of sharing our successes and the inevitable failures. Suzanne was a terrific example of courage and perseverance-one we can all learn from. God's Blessings as you remember and mourn the passing of a truly exceptional lady. Connie Olhausen



Colleen Olhausen - October 18, 2019 at 03:15 PM



“ Suzanne and I shared many hats over the years. We were Home Economics teachers and FHA advisors, did craft shows together and were quilters. I always enjoyed seeing her and visiting her shop. My condolences to her family and I know because of her kind ways, she will be missed by many.



Alice Marquardt - October 18, 2019 at 02:32 PM



“ Suzanne inspired so many of us! I loved taking her classes. She was an excellent teacher and had an amazing quilt shop. She will be greatly missed—Mary Gidel

Mary Gidel - October 18, 2019 at 01:40 PM



“ She was such a nice gal. Always had good ideas for quilting a quilt and just such a genuine person. She will be missed by all of us that frequented her shop.

Dee Winnett

Dee Winnett - October 18, 2019 at 01:28 PM



“ She was a wonderful Christian lady. I am happy that I have many T-shirts to remember her by.

Elma Schrader - October 18, 2019 at 05:00 PM



“ Suzanne called me by name when I came to the shop as a new customer. Only quilt shop that I visit that does that. She was a special friend, and always learning, sharing, and caring.

Nancy Kiley - October 18, 2019 at 11:53 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Suzanne Sievers.



October 18, 2019 at 11:46 AM



“ Suzanne was a special lady. She was so friendly and kind and helpful whenever I came into the shop. She will be missed by many. My sympathies to all your family.

Kathy Evers - October 18, 2019 at 11:00 AM



“ She was one of my all time favorite teachers. The best! I'm sorry for your family's loss. I still see and quilt to this day thanks in part to her.

Janet Koehler - October 18, 2019 at 10:30 AM



“ I owe my love of sewing to this special lady. She was patient and kind and she will greatly missed. My sincerest sympathy.

Pam - October 17, 2019 at 09:38 PM