



Suellen Dean Wooton

June 15, 1961 - November 18, 2017

Suellen Eubanks (Dean) Wooton died November 18, 2017, at Greer Memorial Hospital after a four-and-a-half -year battle with triple-negative breast cancer. A celebration of her life will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday at Living Waters Funeral Home in Lyman, S.C. Visitation will precede the celebration at 1 p.m. Suellen was born June 15, 1961 in Mobile, Alabama, to Nita Mae McNeil and Forest A. Eubanks, both of whom preceded her in death, as well as a sister, Mary Ellen Eubanks. She is survived by her husband, Walt Wooton; her children, Chelsea Suzanne Dean Sosa, Lauren Ashleigh Dean, Rachel Kathryn Dean, and Grayson Wade Dean; her sisters, Annette Sanders and Wanda Slay; her nephews, Vance Smith, Steven Smith, Tommy Browning, John Sanders, and Michael Slay; her son-in-law, Alvaro Sosa; and her beloved grandson, Amaru Javier Sosa.

Suellen was an award-winning journalist during her career with the Herald-Journal in Spartanburg, and she was repeatedly honored by the South Carolina Press Association for reporting and writing. Her work also earned the New York Times Company's most prestigious accolade, a Chairman's Award. A proud graduate of the University of Alabama, Suellen earned a bachelor of arts in journalism in 1983, then worked for weekly newspapers in Bay Minette and Monroeville, Alabama, before moving to South Carolina. She worked for the Union Daily Times prior to being hired by the Herald-Journal, from which she retired in January 2005.

Contributions in memory of Suellen may be made to her grandson Amaru's

college fund at Future Scholar, South Carolina's 529 Saving Plan. To make a contribution online, go to: <https://futurescholar.ebilling.com>. When prompted, enter Occasion code: SCQBcM4.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV **25**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Service

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Tribute Wall

TS

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Tim Sorrells - February 14, 2023 at 08:52 PM

MK

“ Dearest Suellen ,
You are walking in that beautiful Heavenly Garden with the Savior ! How Blessed all of us on Earth were able to call you a wonderful Friend! You and I spoke Many times about Death ! We both believed that as a spirit one could be in Heaven and with our love ones on Earth ! We talked about how our Love Ones never leave our Hearts on Earth . We talked about how close we would be to the ones we loved each day on earth ! We will think of your wonderful personality and see your Smile in every sunrise! We will continue to enjoy the works that you Put together to honor our Love ones ! Most of all we know that you fought such a Battle on Earth but now you feel no pain ! We will see you again ! We will look for the Little Miracles perhaps a beautiful Butterfly that will remind us of you ! Love Forever !



Mary Ann Powell Kirby - November 26, 2017 at 02:36 PM

JS

“ Sue Ellen was such an awesome cousin! She and I lost touch so many years ago. When my grandparents passed away, we unfortunately didn't go to Mississippi as much! We live in Oklahoma. But when we got together, we always had fun! She always smiled! We were kids, loved every minute we had together as kids. Then Facebook came about, and we got reconnected. I hate we didn't have much time together, she had a conference one time in Orlando, and my family was going there for vacation, we met up for a short dinner at fudruckers, well that short dinner turned into a 2 hours of remembering time! I loved spending that time with her and Walt. Little did I know that would be the last time I would see her and Walt! She was awesome! I'm so sorry for the family, she will be missed, if you ever get to Oklahoma, please give me a call! I would love to meet you kids! Just remember, she was loved by so many! Remember her smile! I'm real close with her sister Wanda. So we will keep her remember. Love you guys so much! She will be missed!

jamie "phillips" herring (my dads side - November 26, 2017 at 05:02 AM

SU

“ Suellen came into my life when I was fifteen years old. She was this bright, beautiful, fearless Alabama graduate that took me under her wing! I saw her and thought "I want to be like her"! She encouraged me and made me believe I could do anything I put my mind to. I never saw her without that big smile! My precious neices and nephew, love to you and all the family.
Aunt Sukii

Suzanne - November 25, 2017 at 11:55 AM

TP

“ Over the of career as an educator, I have been blessed to have worked with so many wonderful students and their families. I remember Ms. Dean (Sue Ellen) being such a caring and supportive mom, while I had the privilege of being Lauren's 1st grade teacher. It was early in my career and the relationships that were developed with parents and students encouraged me to be the best possible teacher I could be...my prayers are with her family and friends in the days ahead. I know her spirit will live on and that her endearing smile will continue to brighten the lives of those fortunate to have known her...enter into that peaceful rest...until we meet again ...

Tim Page - November 25, 2017 at 11:47 AM

Lauren Dean

“ 4 files added to the tribute wall



Lauren Dean - November 25, 2017 at 10:56 AM

Lauren
Dean

“ Mom was my biggest fan and supporter. She always kept me striving to love who I am but also to keep challenging myself to be even better. Love you, Mom.



Lauren Dean - November 25, 2017 at 10:33 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Suellen Dean Wooton.



November 25, 2017 at 09:57 AM



“ Suellen and her family were church friends at Covenant Presbyterian Church. I enjoyed knowing all the family . My daughter Jayne was in Youth Group with Chelsea and Lauren and remembers those days fondly. Suellen was an intelligent , likeable and sweet lady. Sympathy and prayers to all the family.

Linda Jeter

Linda Jeter - November 25, 2017 at 08:42 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Suellen Dean Wooton.*



November 24, 2017 at 11:37 PM



“ *Sullen you were one of the nicest people I have ever know congratulations on your life and awards I know you will be missed*

Dobie Hall - November 24, 2017 at 09:03 PM