



Sue A. Congdon

January 10, 1963 - July 4, 2018

Sue A. Congdon, 55, of North Fort Myers, FL, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Wednesday, July 4, 2018. Formerly of East Hartford, CT, she had been a Florida resident since 2017. She was born January 10, 1963 in Hartford, CT.

She was a 1981 graduate from Penney High School, of East Hartford, CT. She received her Associates Degree from Manchester Community College and a Cosmetology degree. She was owner/operator at many different salons over the past thirty years. She loved her clients and they became like family. She loved to travel with her husband Garth. She was an avid pet collector. She loved her horses, cats and dogs. They brought her much joy.

Sue is survived by her loving husband of 30 years, Garth J. Congdon; her father, Clifford Schaefer; her father and mother-in-law, Victor and Beryl Congdon of Portland, CT; her brother and sister-in-law, Keith (Debbie) Congdon of Kensington, NH and Susan (Douglas) Mitchell of South Glastonbury, CT; her aunts, Anne and Helen; as well as many cousins and six nieces, Kelsey, Lindsey, Erin, Kaitlyn, Kara and Colleen. A special thank you to her Uncle Ollie who helped care for her in her last days. She loved him dearly

She was preceded in death by her mother, Pauline Jeanette (Brielo) Schaefer.

A memorial service will be held on Sunday, August 5th, 2018 at 3:00 PM at Trinity Covenant Church, 302 Hackmatack Street, Manchester, CT.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests that memorial contributions be made to your local animal shelter, the National Diabetes Association (diabetes.org) and the National Kidney Foundation (kidney.org)

Arrangements are being handled by Shikany's Bonita Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 5. 3:00 PM.

Trinity Covenant Church
302 Hackmatack Street
Manchester, CT

Tribute Wall



“ Sue A. Congdon

October 09, 2023 at 03:40 AM



“ I just learned of Sue's passing today and I wanted to extend my deepest sympathies to her family. It is truly tragic that someone so vibrant is taken away so young.

Linda Rowe - August 15, 2018 at 01:43 PM



“ Garth, I can not believe SHE, SUE, is gone..A FUN and beautiful person, you were lucky to know and love her...friend LINDA, from Michaels Jewelers..

linda perkins - July 16, 2018 at 04:14 PM



“ From the time Pat and I met Sue and Garth. what is it, 25 years ago, Sue always knew how to entertain and create fun. From socializing with her cadre of felines, to summer poolside barbecues at her parent's, to appetizer only meals at Gracie's in Stowe VT we have some really nice memories to look back on. It was in the fields by their condo in Ellington where we Sue brought home a litter of kittens of which Pat and I adopted our first cat, BK. I am saddened for all the health challenges that Sue faced, with Garth by her side. We will always remember Sue by her energy, smile and her laugh.

Steve and Pat Goldblatt - July 15, 2018 at 09:27 AM

DK

“ My condolences to Sue's husband and family, a bright light turned off too soon. I had not seen Sue since high school but I can picture her laughing, talking up a storm and that smile! What a wonderful human being, gone too soon.

Debra Kimball - July 11, 2018 at 03:10 PM



“ Ever since I heard about Sue's passing I struggled as to what I could possibly say. I just kept seeing her long fingernails and jewelry sparkling as she was filing my nails and applying gel. The choosing of the nail color was always fun. There are many memories from our 20 year relationship.

I remember the day I walked into Hot Tips Salon looking for someone to do my nails. I was greeted by Sue smiling back at me. That was the beginning of many years of nails, hair cuts, different locations and lots of discussions about a lot of different topics and just enjoying each others company.

I like so many of you have many fond memories of her. We all knew that she was ill but we didn't want to think that she would be silenced so soon. I can only hope that the last months brought her some joy. I know that she so loved the warm weather and the beach, her beloved animals and her family.

As I do my own nails (which takes me forever!!) my heart goes out to Garth and Sue's Dad. We are all praying for you and we will all stand with you in your grief and will hopefully help to give you strength to move forward in the days to come. Sending love and prayers.... Jeanne

Jeanne Krasser - July 10, 2018 at 10:25 AM

BM

“ I first met Sue when she was 4 or 5 years old, living across the street from my family, she was best friends with my little sister Gail. At the age of 11 they were both junior bridesmaids in my wedding. Sues dad and my mother in law were family by marriage, so we always called each other cousin. 14 years later I watched her marry Garth in a beautiful garden wedding. No matter what she was doing , her hair was done and she was covered in beautiful jewelry. Thoughtful and compassionate she had the most wonderful laugh! Never afraid to speak her mind, you always got the truth from Sue. Im glad she moved to Florida, I know it was always something she wanted. I wish I had seen her before she moved, but as much as she wanted to go Im sure it was hard for her to say goodbye to so many people. I hope she had some beautiful moments in Florida. She was always surrounded by cats and dogs, they were her 4 legged kids and boy did she love them! I will miss you Sue, we had some really good times together. May you now rest in the arms of a loving God.

Beverly Miller - July 09, 2018 at 09:54 PM

NM

“ Sue did my hair and nails 20 years. We became best of friends, sharing our 2 true loves other than family, Our pets and Jewelry! We went to the jewelry show every time it came to Marlboro, MA, which was 2-3 times per year. We had the best time. We'd stop at McDonald's for breakfast, go to the jewelry show and spend some good money, stop at Wendy's for a cold drink, and drive home, happy as could be. We never waived from the plan.

But one of my best memories of Sue is being in her own Salon, where we could be totally relaxed and ourselves. She would do my hair and we would talk about anything and everything, including the most personal things to us. She gave me a perm about 3 times a year. Towards the end of her business, she didn't have a lot of money for supplies so she used old rods. Frequently they would break. When this happened she would swear loudly, "Oh &%!", and that was a good roll too!", and then she would throw the broken rod across the room, aiming for the trash but missing. It made me laugh every time she did it!

I loved going to Sue and Garth's house. They were like the Dolittle family. She being Dr. Dolittle, of course. Cats and Dogs and Horses. I actually got her a couple of those cats. I was lucky to be able to see and interact with horses so close because of her. I'll never forget her telling me her one horse would walk right up to the window to look in at her one cat in particular, who sat up in a cat tree by the window. She said because they loved each other. I believe it.

And I loved her and will miss her very much.

Nancy McCollum - July 07, 2018 at 07:55 AM

BR

“ Sue and Garth became dear friends of ours while they vacationed in Ocean City Md where we had a ice cream business that they visited. Sue had a inviting personality that drew us close to her and Garth and she will forever be in our hearts. God bless her for being her and entering our lives as she did. We will miss her dearly but we know she is now at peace. God bless. Brad and Sandy

Brad - July 06, 2018 at 09:07 PM



“ Sue was not only a great, great friend, she my hair dresser for 25-plus years, I loved this girl and we would talk for hours about our love for out animals. She would tell me about the enjoyment that she and Garth got from the many Cruzies they went on. The day she and Garth moved to Florida I cried and Sue new she wasn't well, but none of us thought it was this bad. But Garth, beening the great man he is we new she was in the best of hands, between Garth and God she had the best. Right now she is with God, her mother, and the many friends that have gone on ahead. Right now Garth needs our Prayers and the help from his family, he not only lost his wife on the 4th but his best friend, but they will always be together with the memories he has.

Love, Sue Shane

John D. Shane - July 06, 2018 at 05:10 PM

SM

*Sue and Garth became great friends, they were like a second family. Sue and I loved to shop for clothes, Sue loved the brand "Fresh Produce" WHAT???? I will always remember the good times we had in Ocean City finding that brand. Sue had a man that loved and cared for her sooooo much. He made her last dream to move to Florida come true if only for a short time to . My thoughts and prayers are with Garth and Cliff as they morn the your passing. Sue I will miss you but your suffering is now over and your in a much better place .
My prayers are with your family
Love, Susie*

Susan Moorshead - July 28, 2018 at 11:03 AM