



Sue Pope, 86

January 13, 1938 - August 6, 2024

Sutton resident Sue Pope, 86, passed away Tuesday, August 6, 2024, at Memorial Community Care in Aurora, NE.

A celebration of her life will be conducted at 11:00 a.m., Saturday, August 10, 2024, at Sutton Memorial Chapel in Sutton, NE with Pastor Karl Larson officiating. Interment will follow at the Sutton Cemetery. No public visitation.

Memorial contributions may be directed to the Sutton Education Foundation.

Sue started her life as Sue Waterman, the youngest child of Arthur Waterman and Kate (Richens) Waterman. She was born on January 13, 1938, in Price, Utah.

Sue's strong work ethic began early in life as her father owned the Independent Dairy in Price. She and her siblings participated in all the responsibilities of the dairy. By age six she was collecting milk from the farmers, washing milk bottles, helping process and delivering milk to customers. While the family dairy took precedence, time was carved out for 4-H where Sue learned to sew. She also enjoyed great family camping trips and years of dance lessons and competitions. After graduating from Price Senior High School, she attended Darrell and Joseph's Beauty College and was a beautician in Salt Lake City until 1957, when she moved with her sister Judy

to Hastings, Nebraska. It was there she met the love of her life Dale Pope, on the dance floor at the National Guard Armory in Hastings. Dale and Sue were married on April 5th, 1958, and began their married life on a farm south of Sutton, Nebraska. Their daughter ReeAnn was born in 1959, followed by their son Kirk in 1960.

Most of her life was spent as a mother and farmwife, but she also managed to teach dance classes, lead a Blue Bird group, participate in the Mad Hatter extension club and continued dancing with Dale. They enjoyed traveling the USA; including trips to Las Vegas, one highlighted by seeing Elvis Presley. Sue's creative outlet was sewing. She made many wedding dresses, but her true passion became quilting which she continued to do up until months before her death.

Sue was known by family and friends for her incredible meals, fabulous Christmas Eve gatherings, handcrafted Father Christmases and a sharp wit that at times leaned toward the sarcastic, but always in a loving way. She was loved and admired by her grandchildren and great-grandchildren. While she will be deeply missed by those that loved her, we find comfort that she is free of pain and resting in peace.

Sue was preceded in death by her parents; Husband; sisters, Geri Williams and Carol Barnes; brother, Garth Reid; brothers-in-law, Robert Williams; Ed Johnson and sister-in-law, Naomi Reid.

Surviving Sue are her sister, Judy Johnson; children, ReeAnn (partner Terry King) Regier; Kirk (Marie) Pope; grandchildren, Jarod (Kelsey) Regier; Brittany (William) Stockstill; Wade (Katie) Regier; Cassidy Regier; Taylor (Tara) Pope; Colt (partner Kayla Nuss) Pope; Maggie (Salvador) Mendoza; 19 great-grandchildren; brother-in-law, Tom Barnes; and numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and special childhood friend Cliff Arno.

Cemetery Details

Sutton Cemetery

1202 N. Saunders Ave
Sutton, NE 68979

Previous Events

Funeral Service

AUG **10**. 11:00 AM (CT)

Sutton Memorial Chapel
804 S. Saunders, Ave.
PO Box 612
Sutton, NE 68979
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<http://www.suttonmemorial.com/>

Tribute Wall

GM

“ My name is Jeff Mumby Sorry for your loss Sue was a great lady. I use to buy Santa Clauses from her and I was getting them out of today and was wondering if Sue was still with us. Do you have any of her work left I might be interested in some old ones. I live in Lincoln 7005 Shamrock Road Unit 214 Lincoln Ne 68506. Again sorry for your loss. Jeff.

Geoffrey Jeff Mumby - October 16, 2024 at 05:26 PM

LS

“ Aunt Sue and Aunt Judy were always a team when I was a kid. On one particular camping trip in Grandpa Waterman's "fishin' truck," they taught me how to tie my shoes so I could be ready for first grade. We practiced over and over and over there by the lake. When I was about 9 or 10 and learning to play the piano, Judy and Sue gave me a book of American folk songs, which I learned dutifully. I still have that treasured book in my music collection:-)

In January 1971, my husband and I were driving from Utah to Washington, DC, for his army duty with our oldest, David, nestled in a baby tub on the back seat. (Child safety was obviously not a big concern back then.) We stayed over with Sue and Dale for the weekend on their Sutton farm. I recall the two-story house, the kitchen table, and a washer and dryer in the basement. To this day, when I come across a hanky or any other folded item in the wash, I think of Sue's admonition: "Always unfold the hanky before you throw it in; it won't unfold itself!"

Her passing leaves a gap in many people's world. She will be missed, yet I have hope of seeing her smiling face again someday. I know I'll recognize her voice.

Wishing peace to her family.

Love,

Laurie (Williams Sowby, Gerry's daughter)

Laurie Williams Sowby - August 18, 2024 at 07:37 PM



“ I have many wonderful memories of Sue. I loved that Sue and Judy joined my father, my brother Barry, and me on an Alaskan cruise. She took me to the only auction I've ever attended. Sue beat me badly in her computer games.

Garth Reid - August 10, 2024 at 12:12 PM



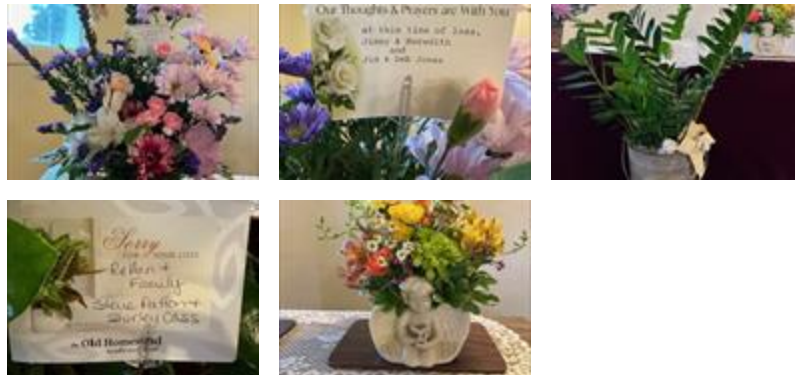
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Sutton Memorial Chapel and McLaughlin Funeral Chapel - August 10, 2024 at 12:04 PM



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Sutton Memorial Chapel and McLaughlin Funeral Chapel - August 10, 2024 at 09:59 AM

BF

“ So sorry to hear that Sue has passed on. Our deepest sympathies, condolences and prayers for all the family during your time of mourning!



Bruce Laffitte family - August 10, 2024 at 09:39 AM

JT

“ Jet Linx - Business Solutions Team purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Sue Pope, 86.



Jet Linx - Business Solutions Team - August 09, 2024 at 04:52 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Sue Pope, 86.



August 09, 2024 at 01:17 PM

TF

“ Terry and Paula Schank and family purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Sue Pope, 86.



Terry and Paula Schank and family - August 08, 2024 at 09:30 PM

AR

“ *Ava Roush lit a candle in memory of Sue Pope, 86*



Ava Roush - August 08, 2024 at 09:25 PM

LW

“ *Laurie Wessels lit a candle in memory of Sue Pope, 86*



Laurie Wessels - August 08, 2024 at 09:22 PM



“ *She was an absolutely amazing lady. I loved going to her house on Christmas, she had the most amazing food and was always so loving. She helped make my wedding dress and was so talented at everything she did. She will be missed so much.*

Mindy Podraza - August 08, 2024 at 06:41 PM

CR

“ *Caleb Rippe lit a candle in memory of Sue Pope, 86*



Caleb Rippe - August 08, 2024 at 02:06 PM

LF

“ Love, Bills family purchased the Simply Elegant S
pathiphyllum for the family of Sue Pope, 86.



Love, Bills family - August 08, 2024 at 11:31 AM