



## Susan Kay Hendricks

December 8, 1954 - December 1, 2020

Susan was born December 8, 1954 and began her eternal life surrounded by her family on December 1, 2020.

Susan was born to her loving parents, Richard and Wenonah Hendricks. She grew up on the family farm outside of Capron. She enjoyed working on the farm with her Dad, cooking with her Mom, playing outside with her two brothers and listening to records with her sister.

Susan began her college education at Kansas State University and finished her degree at Northwestern Oklahoma State University where she majored in Art. She took her passion and talent for art and turned it into a lifelong career. She worked as a freelance artist, taught at Waynoka Public Schools for 10 years and made an impact on those who commissioned her work to memorialize their loved ones through her etchings and drawings.

Above all things, Susan was a Mom and Grandma known to most as Yaya. She was loving, nurturing and selfless. She spent much of her time with her three daughters, son-in-laws, and six grandchildren. It was easy for people to see that Susan shared a special bond with each of them.

Susan enjoyed spending time of the farm, going on walks and traveling with her family. Most weekends you would find her doing arts and crafts with her grandkids. She was always up for an adventure whether it was riding a rollercoaster, parasailing, or boogie boarding. She was a chocolate lover, avid reader, loved to dance, loved all things Harry Potter and a true kid at heart. Susan was quiet and reserved to most, but to those who knew her she was

funny, loyal, honest, brave, a fighter and described by so many as one of the strongest people they have known.

Susan also spent many years volunteering as a cancer activist. She was chosen as one of the Ambassadors for Oklahoma to participate in the Celebration on the Hill in Washington DC. There she represented Oklahoma and helped lobby to raise awareness about cancer and the need for more funding and research to find a cure.

We will always love you. You will always be our Yaya, Mom, Aunt Susie, sister, daughter and friend. You were so much to so many. How lucky are we, to have loved someone so much that makes saying goodbye so hard.

Susan was preceded in death by her Mom Wenonah Hendricks, her sister Wanda Reed and her nephew Luke Hendricks. She is survived by her three daughters, Marsha Pharis, Angela Norton and husband Marick, and Sarah Sherman and husband Brandon, her six grandchildren, Trevor Pharis, Megan Pharis, Avery Norton, Kelsey Norton, Sophia Sherman and Brooks Sherman, her Dad, Richard Hendricks, her nephew Bryan Reed, who she loved as her own, his wife Dayna and family, her brothers Dewayne Hendricks and Lonnie Hendricks and wife Jordan and his children Nick and Shadow, as well as many other family and friends.

A celebration of life will be held in the spring.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to MD Anderson Cancer Center at <https://gifts.mdanderson.org> to continue the fight to find a cure for cancer.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Susan Kay Hendricks.*



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December 07, 2020 at 10:53 PM



“ *I had Mrs. Dunn in Art in High School at Waynoka. I still have almost every project 20 years later. I was always super envious of her gorgeously long hair!*

*I was lucky enough to work along side her at Alva Monument, seeing her true artistry come to life in her hand-drawn sketches and etchings.*

*Her joy in the little things was contagious and I know she'll be missed by everyone that had the pleasure of her company. Keep smiling, beautiful!*

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**Jen Allen** - December 07, 2020 at 09:06 PM



“ *Mrs. Dunn was one of my favorites we always had a blast in Art class. I remember making a video of us doing the dance to Foot Loose, we laughed so hard we had tears in our eyes. Fly High my sweet lady you will be missed. Felicia Green*

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**Felicia Green** - December 07, 2020 at 04:09 PM

SP

“ Susan and I knew each other as little girls in Capron. And then my son Brandon was Blessed when he married Sarah and became part of her family. The love, heart and soul you poured into your family and living life was amazing. Your sweet spirit radiated through your family and community. It is such a pleasure to call you friend and I will so miss our chats. Love and Hugs on your Heavenly journey. Until we meet again....

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**Sonja Piersall** - December 06, 2020 at 07:55 AM

JH

“ Susan was such an amazing and strong woman and such a fighter! she always had such a positive attitude! I am truly going to miss her! She was the best sister in law I could ever ask for! she welcomed me into the Hendricks family with such open arms and always always included me in everything that was going on. Susan was such a blessing in my life and all of our family's life. she was always an ear to talk to and so caring! Marsha, Angela and Merrick, Sarah and Brandon and all her grandkids were her pride and joy! She was so proud of all of them and loved them so much! I am so happy I had the privilege of her being in my life and getting to know her! She will forever be missed.

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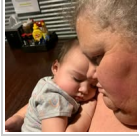
**Jordan Hendricks** - December 05, 2020 at 07:54 AM

ER

“ I had the pleasure of knowing Susan from the day she was born. Our families were neighbors and friends and we all attended the Capron School. She was so talented with the many pieces of art she had produced thru the Alva Monument and other media. The last project she helped me with was the Capron School Reunion. She will certainly be missed by her family and friends.

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**Eleanor Ring** - December 03, 2020 at 05:05 PM



“ Angela, Marsha, and Sarah your mom is such a kind soul. She was such a talented kind soul. Every time I would see her she always had a kind word and was telling me about her grandchildren. She will be sadly missed. I pray that the lord gives you all comfort and you peace.



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**Danniella Spurgeon Carpenter** - December 03, 2020 at 01:50 PM

AN

“ I am so sorry for her dear family who she loved so much! I have known Susan since Capron days when she was best friends with my sister, Terry. And when my youngest son started school, we were reunited again with her grand-twins, Trevor and Megan. She indeed was very a special lady who touched many hearts with her loving heart and soul. Prayers for the family.

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**Anita (Bickford) Noland** - December 03, 2020 at 01:13 PM

VB

“ So sorry to hear of you loss. Susan was a very special friend. We keep in touch with each other and keep each other going with our cancer. She will be so missed.

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**Verleen Baker** - December 03, 2020 at 11:39 AM

RC

“ What a lady! Susan was such a beautiful soul with a heart of gold and so very talented. She raised three beautiful, strong and kind daughters into the women they are today. Her love for her girls and their families was always first and foremost. I pray for God's comfort as you morn the passing of your mom and hold tightly the many beautiful memories.

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**Rita Castleberry** - December 03, 2020 at 10:14 AM

CS

*Beautiful memories of my sweet cousin Susie! I know you are with your sweet momma and sister! Love always, Cheri*

Cheri Ann Smith - December 03, 2020 at 06:22 PM

VS

*“ I didn't know Susan, personally, but my husband & I were extremely pleased with her expertise in the etching on our headstone! It features lots of detail in the scene on the back. Glad my husband got to see it before his passing a few months later! RIP, Susan!*

Vaughna Schmidt - December 03, 2020 at 09:15 AM

KB

*“ What a beautiful and kind woman! The first time I met you was at Sophia's baby shower! You embraced me with open arms and such a sweet smile. You opened your arms and heart, to my brother who was beyond blessed and excited to be a part of your amazing family. We had dinner a few months ago, and I wish I had known that would be the last time I would get to see you. I would have told you goodbye, I would have hugged you a little tighter and held on a little longer, and I would have taken more time to tell you how much those beautiful gifts you made for my family after my son passed, meant to us! I can only imagine.... with a smile that amazing.... your angel wings must be magnificent. Rest In Peace, you raised such beautiful and strong woman to pick up where you left this world. Until we meet again, you will be missed!!!!*



Kaylan Bieberle - December 03, 2020 at 01:02 AM

RM

“ Rest in Peace sweet lady. My brother Brandon was blessed to have you for a mother-in-law. The short time I spent with you I could see the kind heart and beautiful soul that I had been hearing about for years. God Bless.

Rebekah Muxworthy - December 02, 2020 at 10:33 PM

LB

“ So very sorry to hear this. Susan was such a special person and so loving. She made so many memories with her 3 girls, SILaws and those special grandchildren. She always had time to do with them and to make a memory to leave with them. You will me missed and are gone way to soon. We know your spirit soul is with Jesus. Love to your family.



Linda and Bill Beeler - December 02, 2020 at 09:45 PM

MB

“ Oh no! This makes me sooo sad 😞 and breaks my heart. 💔 I talked to her on the phone not too long ago. She was always so positive. I will miss talking and texting with her. Rest In Peace my dear, dear friend. Many prayers 🙏 for the family and for peace and comfort.

Mardonna Brady - December 02, 2020 at 09:22 PM

SR

“ Susan was always smiling. Such a awesome artist.

Sheila Rodkey - December 02, 2020 at 09:19 PM

SS

“ Susan always had a smile to share with you! She was a happy person.  
She was an extremely talented artist, I was always amazed at her beautiful works that she created.  
She will always be remembered as a wonderful friend.  
My heartfelt sympathies go out to her family!!She will be greatly missed by all who loved her!  
Rest In Peace Susan! You have truly earned your wings!

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**Sandy Schrorder** - December 02, 2020 at 08:16 PM

SP

Rest in Peace my lovely friend. After Sarah joined our family we felt like you were You were always happy to see us. Sometimes we invaded your holiday family get together s to the NWOSU Homecoming parade ,. You always included us if we were there. I will miss our messenger chats. God speed my friend.

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**Sonja Piersall** - December 02, 2020 at 09:32 PM

GB

I just heard that Susan went to heaven, she had a sweet soul. God bless your girls and families.

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**glo bressler** - December 22, 2023 at 04:29 PM