



Mary Sue "Susie"
Anderson Walden

July 22, 1936 - Oct. 11, 2023

Mary Sue "Susie" Anderson Walden peacefully passed away with her children by her side, on October 11, 2023, at the age of 87. She was born on July 22, 1936 to the late Charles and Mary Anderson in Morganton, North Carolina.

In addition to her parents, Susie is preceded in death by her husband, William "Bill" Walden, brothers Charles and Ray Anderson, and sister Louella Kerley.

Susie will forever be cherished and remembered by her children, William Walden and wife, Christie, Karl Walden and wife, Gayle, and Elizabeth Witt and husband, Dudley. She is survived by her seven grandchildren: Blair Walden and fiancé Abbey, Danel Walden, Jason Teng, Amanda Highley and husband Chase, Jacob Walden and fiancé Lauren, Mallie Witt, and Colin Witt. She leaves behind her dear sister-in-law Nina Anderson and many nieces and nephews. She was a loving wife, devoted mother, and grandmother. Her Christian faith was evident through her compassion and kindness for others, her patience of Job and love of the outdoors. She was a member of Oak Hill United Methodist Church.

Susie graduated from Salem High School and Warren Wilson College, where she met Bill, the love of her life. She was Miss Morganton in 1956. They made their home in Morganton on Walden's Mountain where she loved her life in the country. She loved spending time with family, gardening, tending her flowers and enjoying God's beauty. She worked at Foothills Mental Health for 17 years.

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A gathering celebrating Susie's life will be held at 1:00 pm, Sunday October 22, 2023, at Oak Hill United Methodist Church (2239 NC 181, Morganton, NC) with Rev. Adam

Love officiating. The family will receive friends from 2 to 4 pm in the church sanctuary following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Alzheimer's Association or a charity of your choice in Susie's memory.

The family would like to thank the nurses and staff at Trinity Elms in Clemmons, who took care of Mom the last 8 months of her life.

Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center is assisting the family with the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

Dear Walden Family I did not hear of Susie's death until today. David and I have fond memories of our time when we attended Calvary together. Susie was always so gracious and just a good person. Even though I didn't keep up with her, I thought about her often. Cynthia and David Lange

—Cynthia Lange

We have many fond memories of Susie & Bill from their time at Calvary Lutheran. They were a special couple for sure! Susie was so kind, and had a great sense of humor. You all were blessed!

—Gloria & Bob Kilpatrick

Dear Susie, you will certainly be missed on this earth. The light inside of you shined on everyone you met. I pray that you and Bill are laughing and dancing, and having such a good time being together in heaven! God is good, His plan is good! With loving memories, Carol, David and Jen Benjock

—Carol, David and Jen Benjock

Susie was the kindest lady God ever made. Every Sunday she would have that smile on her face when we greeted. Each other. There will never be another Susie. I thought so much of Bill too. He was in our Sunday school class and had so much knowledge about everything. They invited me and Foy to their home one Sunday afternoon and showed us Walden Mountain. Susie had hot apple cider for us and we had such a great evening. I don't know any of the kids except Gail and Carl from going to church with them at El Bethel when my kids were growing up.

Gail was their favorite. You all have a lot of fans just like your mom and dad and my prayer is that you all can sit on Walden Mtn and smile with all your memories for many years. I know I will never forget either Susie or Bill.

—Patsy McNeely



I am so sorry to hear of Susie's death. My sincere condolences to her family. I had the pleasure of with Susie for several years at Foothills Mental Health. She was a great person to worked with and was someone you could always count on. I know for her family her loss is great and I hope you will be comforted by fond memories and the support of friends.

—Melissa Wilson

To our dear friends The Walden clan, We are so sorry for your loss but we believe she is in Bill's arms and feeling no more pain. Unfortunately for us we are out of the country and will not be with you Sunday. There will always be a special place in our hearts for The Walden Family. We had some wonderful times with all of you especially Bill & Susie. Please know you are in our prayers and there is anything at all we can do later please let us know. Our love goes to all of you!!
Steve & Nancy Gregory6

—Steve & Nancy Gregory



Wishing the family strength and comfort as you navigate through this difficult time. Your mother's spirit will live on in the memories you shared together. She was an attentive grandmother to Blair and Daniel. They were always greeted with that infamous smile and welcoming hug. Sending my deepest condolences, Tracy Barry

—Tracy Barry

William, Carl & Elizabeth, I was so sorry to read about your Mother's passing. I will always carry in my heart the picture of your smiling mother with her gentle ways Heaven became a little brighter when your Mother arrived. We all have such sweet memories of our times with Susie and now during this difficult period those memories will help us through. My deepest sympathy to each and every one of you. May you all feel peace from our Heavenly Father. Fondly, Cathy Schultz

—Cathy Schultz

So sorry for y'all's loss praying for you both and your kids as well as grand kids

—Grace Brock



Condolences to family and friends. Susie leaves her legacy of love, compassion and patience and a loving family. May we cherish the days we have with our loved ones.

—Jenni & Meade Hubby