



Susan McNeely
Paterno

Sept. 25, 1948 - Aug. 15, 2024

Susan McNeely Paterno passed from her earthly life to her heavenly life on August 15, 2024. She was born in Morganton, NC on September 25, 1948 to the late Jacob Patrick and Ellie Mae McNeely. Susan graduated from Morganton High School and worked at Leviton/Southern Devices for forty years in the data processing department. She was a life-long member of North Morganton United Methodist Church where she was a very active member. She was on a number of committees and was a Sunday School teacher for thirty-eight years. Susan went on two mission trips with her sons to Jamaica with the church.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her husband, Ronald Paterno; sisters, Rebecca Staron (Stanley) and Andrea Foxx; nephew, Larry "Skipper" Foxx, Jr.

She is survived by her sons, Robert "Robbie" A. Paterno and Anthony "Tony" Paterno (Tara); three beautiful granddaughters who were her life, Abby Shea, Ella Paige and Makenna Leigh Paterno; a very special friend, Robert "Jackie" Clarke; brother, Charles McNeely (Valerie) of Florida; her adopted family, Elena, Steve and Robert Heglar.

The family will receive friends from 10:30am to 12pm on Tuesday, August 20, 2024 at North Morganton United Methodist Church. The service will begin at 12pm in the

church with Rev. David Rorie and Rev. Paul Christy officiating. Burial will follow at Burke Memorial Park.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to North Morganton United Methodist Church.

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

Tribute Wall

We are so sorry for your loss. She was a good woman

–Carolyn and Bill Vaassen

Sorry to hear about your loss. I know she meant the world to you. I know the Good Lord will keep you and your brother under his watch and hope peace comes with it. I'll be praying for you Robby!

–Jeff Chapman

Susan will always be the kindest selfless friendliest smiling and each and every holiday loving person that I have had the pleasure to have known. Robbie Tony Tara Jackie and the babies sending love to you all

–Natalie Bristol



–Kaye Tolbert Parket

Prayers for the family for their loss. I worked with Susan at Leviton. She always had a smile on her face. She was such a nice person. Take comfort knowing she is in a better place now.

–Pat Shelton

Sending condolence to the family Susan was a high school friend Sorry to hear of her death

–Ruth Connelly Keller

Sorry for your loss

–Kathy Dawson



You family is in my thoughts and prayers are you go through this difficult time

–Barbara Nelson

So very sorry for your loss. Worked with her for years. Prayers for the family.

–diane Crabtree

Prayers for the family. Especially her boys and their families. Charles your mother and father were so very special to me. I know this is a very hard time for you all. No more pain but mostly she is with Jesus and her family. God bless you all.

–Sharon Harben

Tony and Robbie we are so sorry for your and our loss... a beautiful and special lady she remains..... You and your family are not alone and neither is Susan..... we are here for you my friend!

–Joe and Joan Bingham

–Mary Kathryn Otto

Tony and family Jan and I are so saddened to hear of Susan's passing. May God grant each of you peace and comfort as you go through the days ahead. You all will remain in our thoughts and prayers. Sam and Jan Buckner

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Your family is in my thoughts and my prayers in your time of mourning. God is with you and he has his arms around you.

–Katrina Burns

So sorry for your loss! Sending up prayers for your family! Her family was her life! She will live on in you! What wonderful memories you have! She will definitely be missed by many. Love you! Loretta

–Loretta Moses



–Karen Isenhour



I was so saddened to hear of Susan's passing. I worked with her for many years at Leviton and she was such a precious lady. I know she will be missed. Praying for all her survivors.

–Carolyn Childers, Pigeon Forge, TN.

Rest In Peace Susan You have always been a good friend since our school days.

–Nancy Leonard

I was so sorry to hear of Susan passing. She will be missed, and my thoughts are with your family.

–Gina Whisnant



My heart is just broken. Susan was a dear friend and I will miss her dearly. Susan and her precious family are in my thoughts and prayers.

–Rhonda Robinson

Praying for the family. She was a special lady.

–Susan Mace