



Susan Koppelman Peltier

July 14, 2011

Peltier, Susan Rae Koppelman age 61, of Hopkins, passed away peacefully and comfortably surrounded by her loving children following a valiant 1-1/2 year battle with cancer. Preceded in death by father, Arthur Koppelman; brothers, Roger and Russell. Survived by children, Maria (Simon) Ruoro, Anthony Peltier; granddaughter, Abigail Ruoro; her mother, Emily Koppelman; sisters, Barbara Smith, Debby (David) Johnson and Mary Hagan; sister-in-law, Patty Koppelman; nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Memorials preferred. Memorial service Saturday, July 16, 11 AM, Zion Lutheran Church, 241 5th Ave N., Hopkins with visitation starting at 10 AM. Washburn-McReavy Strobeck Johnson Chapel 952 938-9020

Tribute Wall

MI

“ It has been one year since Anthony and I lied next you, cuddling, while you took your last breath on earth and first step in heaven. I miss you mom but, I am able to smile when I think if you. You were graceful and courageous during your illness...never complained or felt fearful. We had a lot of good times that are forever etched in my heart. I still feel cheated that I don't have you here with me and am sad that you will not be here for Abby's milestones. But, thankfully, she remembers you and has numerous vivid memories of the times you shared, and places you went. She can still paint roses the way you taught her. Mama, I love you and thank you for teaching me, pampering me, raising me in the church, for being easy to please, understanding, and kind. Mom, you were the best! Love, Mia

~

Mia,

Minnesota

Contact Me

Mia - July 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *Hi mommy. It was my birthday Friday and I am happy to say that I was able to get through it without feeling sorry for myself that you are not here. I was dreading it this year and am mother's day too. Hopefully I will feel as peaceful on Mother's day as I felt on my birthday. Thinking of you puts a smile on my face. I miss you tons but know how happy you are now. You were a previous gift from God and I love you mama. Love, Mia*

May 06, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ *We were with grandma on your birthday. She turned 94! It wasn't quite the same without you mom but I know you had a good day with Jesus. Love you and miss you!*

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Mia

March 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Thinking of you and praising God that you were my mama. Your wisdom and teachings will love on in me forever. Love you!

~

Mia

February 22, 2012 at 12:00 AM



“ Today is Abby's birthday. I bought her a little extra because of the way you always spoiled us. You were always so generous that I never really wanted anything because you always gave me things before I new I wanted them. You were usually thinking of others and how you could bring them joy. You were so special and unique that way...you sewed, you baked... often over 15 kinds of Christmas cookies and bars plus, divinity, chocolate covered peanuts, pretzels, chex mix, caramel corn... wow, how did you do it? You made wedding and birthday cakes, sewed our Halloween costumes and our house was immaculate always stunningly decorated-designed by you, of course. You made things so magical. Our bedrooms were like a kids fantasy. I remember coming home to 10 wardrobe costumes that you bought from the old log theatre. They were out on the counter, nicely displayed. Then you let me have a sleepover dress up party. Another time I had a slumber party and invited 20 girls. uftda! How did you deal with that? You made sausage, bacon, eggs, french toast...that's how. Sometimes I would come home from school and there would be fresh.baked cookies or divinity. And I look around my house and I have so many things from you. I like to call them "hand-me-ups" because they were not old or worn out as a hand me down would be. Also, since you were ahead of the times, they would seem nee and trendy to me but you were ready for a change. You were always a foxy lady and a trendsetter. Mom, I feel sad that you went through what you did in the last year and a half of your earthly life and am sorry for anything I may have done to bother you. Thank you for fighting as hard as you did and for being so graceful about it all. I know you tried really hard to shelter me, as you always and successfully did. But, I grew up a lot through this. I love you and miss you mom. You set a wonderful example for Jesus. I sure wish I could touch you, smell you, hear your laugh and see your beautiful face. . i hope you had no regrets or ill feelings about anything. those last few months...I am struggling a bit but am trying to be positive. See you later! remember?? no goodbyes...just, see you later like we would always say because, we will be together again one day. xoxo

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mia

September 21, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ I am a old friend of brother Russell Koppelman. Most of you me as just Doc. I just touched base with some old friends when I heard that Susan passed away. I am fighting cancer myself. I almost died in St Cloud Hospital on Jul 22, 2011. Then found out I have cancer in my left nasal cavity area. It is advanced stage so I would like to touch base with Susan's and Russell's family one last time. Again, most of you know me as Doctor. I think I will try calling Johnson's house but when the 2nd stage of chemo has run its course in about ten days. I was hoping to see all of his sisters. I could not make it to Russell's funeral but there in spirit. I was looking forward to seeing Susan one last time.

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Michael Andrews,

Watson, Minnesota

Contact Me

Michael Andrews - September 19, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *I have been missing you a lot lately. Planning your funeral and then our trip to Kenya kind of kept me from feeling all my sadness. Since being home from Kenya, I have been crying a lot and have a pain in my chest. Mom, you were the best and I will forever be grateful that God chose you to be my mom. I love you and miss you. Peace!*

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Mia

September 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *May God bless you and your family in this time of sorrow.*

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Carol and Cindy Maier,

St Louis Park, Minnesota

Carol and Cindy Maier - July 28, 2011 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *My fondest memories were of playing around the ranch with you Mia. Hid and seek pillow fights that you always won, and lots of hugs and kissies from Susan. Your mommy will live in my heart forever and we will all be together again in Heaven.*

~

Jason Koppelman,

Chanhassen, Minnesota

Jason Koppelman - July 22, 2011 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you, Maria and Tony. Your Mom was such a kind and beautiful woman.*

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Faith McGown,

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Faith McGown - July 17, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *The first time I met Susan at Hidden Treasures I knew she was very special. I truly felt she was a living angel on earth. Everything she did was amazing. Her smile lit up the room. She taught me many things over the past 10 years, how to stretch a dollar, where to get the best deals, in town, how to paint furniture, but most importantly, about true faith and the love of Christ. Her favorite verse, "I can do all things through God who strengthens me", became my own daily prayer during her courageous battle. She was the epitome of grace during her illness and never complained. She blessed my life as well as my families' and I am so very grateful to have had her gift of friendship. May God bless her loving mother, children, sisters, cousins, relatives and friends during this difficult time. Farewell my dear angel. Vickie Checheris*

July 16, 2011 at 12:00 AM

KK

“ We have so many fond memories of our dear cousin, Susan. She was a very special, dear woman and we will miss her greatly. We rejoice in the knowledge that, because of her faith in Jesus, she is with her Lord now and we'll see her again some day. Godspeed and rest in peace, Susie.

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Kim & Torey Koppelman,

West Fargo, North Dakota

Kim & Torey Koppelman - July 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I love you mom! I miss you but find comfort in knowing you are at peace with God, your dad, your big brother, Roger and little brother, Russell. Thank you for all the sacrifices you made for us. You were always doing for others, making things beautiful and working hard. Rest in peace in the perfect place Heaven is...you deserve comfort and joy and now you have it! Love you so much and will forever be grateful to our Heavenly Father that He picked you to be my mom.*

~

Mia

July 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

MR

“OOOOh Susie Boo”, You are simply amazing!! I truly enjoyed getting to know and taking care of you., you always had smiled or had a kind word to say. Mia and Tony what can I say she was so lucky to have two wonderful children. So sorry for your loss.

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Mimi Randazza-Riley,

Mpls., Minnesota

Contact Me

Mimi Randazza-Riley - July 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Mia,Anthony,Auntie Em,Barb -I am so sorry for the loss of Susie! She has been my friend and cousin since we were very small and a huge part of my memories of our growing years. She will be missed and my prayers and thoughts are with you all at this time.
Love,Christie (Lehman) Grey

July 15, 2011 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Susan was an amazing woman who brought light into our lives. She had a way of making everything bright and beautiful. She oozed talent and had an eye for beauty. She was thoughtful and always thinking of others. Susan would drop everything and help out in any way she could. Susan was an amazing friend and she made my mother happy with all of her pretties and happiness that surrounded her. I loved her very much and she will be missed. May her memory be eternal.

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Stacia Lindholm,

St. Louis Park, Minnesota

Contact Me

Stacia Lindholm - July 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Anthony, Mia, Emily, Debby, David, Barbara, Mary, Patty and families, From the day Susan became ill, I have felt your pain with you. Susan was more than just a friend of Vickie's, she was also my friend, Always encouraging me with my artwork, helping setup my art displays, picking up frames and anything else I needed. She laughed with me and we had wonderful times together. Each Christmas I will miss her rosettes and all the other wonderful treats she baked. She will be sorely missed. I will keep you all in my prayers. She is now in a place where there is no pain or suffering or worries, just joyous life eternal with our Risen Lord. Tom Checheris, Edina, MN.

July 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

BR

“ I am so grateful I had as many years with Susan as I did. She was a wonderful friend and a joy to be around. Always a smile on her face and kind words to everyone. Im sure she has Heaven all redecorated by now. She was an amazing woman and a great role model to all of us. I will miss you Susan. Rest in Peace. Love you.

~

Beth Ramsey,

Elk River, Minnesota

Beth Ramsey - July 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ We will all miss Susan at Antiques Downtown. She was a delight to work with and had such a gift for decorating. What a great loss.

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Lee Groshens,

Elk Riiver, Minnesota

Lee Groshens - July 14, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ Dear Mia, Tony, Emily and Family, I am so sorry to hear of the passing of your Mother and Daughter. My heart goes out to all of you. I know how close you all were and how difficult this must be for each of you. You are all in my thoughts and prayers. Love, Barb, Denny, Sammi & Zach

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