



Susan Crawford Mewborn

September 1, 1945 - January 29, 2026

Age 80, of Minneapolis, died unexpectedly on January 29, 2026. Preceded in death by parents, William and Eileen Crawford, and sister, Linda Goudy.

Survived by her beloved family: James, her husband of 48 years; daughters Julia Peacock, Katie (Levi) Bunkers; grandchildren Olivia, Ellen, and Joey; niece Thea (Morgan) Bergstedt, sister-in-law Ada (Joseph) Driscoll, cousins, and many friends. Also "grand pets," Ruby (dog) and Cosette (cat).

Susan was born in 1945 in Rochester, MN, graduated from Knox College in Galesburg, IL, and earned a master's degree in social work at Catholic University in Washington, D.C.

Susan and James met in 1975 in Baltimore, MD when she worked at Johns Hopkins Hospital. They married on a cold day in Rochester in January 1978 but continued to live in Baltimore until 1986. The family, which then included Julia and Katie, moved to Minneapolis, and Susan worked for a number of years at Children's Hospital in Minneapolis until she retired in 2010.

Susan's family was very dear to her, and she looked for every chance to spend time with the grandkids and encourage them in their interests and ambitions.

She was very interested in social issues, loved travelling to the North Shore, hiking on the Superior Trail, and being an active member of a women's organization focused on providing educational opportunities for female students.

She loved travelling with James, and after he retired in 2020, they took many

opportunities to travel in the U.S. and in Europe. She was especially fond of France, where they had planned to travel in April.

She will be profoundly missed.

Funeral service will be held Saturday, February 7th, 11am, with visitation one hour prior at the Lakewood Memorial Chapel, 3600 Hennepin Ave., Minneapolis. www.Washburn-McReavy.com Edina Chapel 952-920-3996

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 7. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Lakewood Memorial Chapel
3600 Hennepin Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55408

Funeral Service

FEB 7. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

WE

“ *With Deepest Sympathy, Joan Elkins purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Susan Crawford Mewborn.*



With Deepest Sympathy, Joan Elkins - February 05 at 02:15 PM

JG

“ *Jan & George Garrison purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Susan Crawford Mewborn.*



Jan & George Garrison - February 05 at 09:38 AM

TB

“ *Thea and Morgan Bergstedt purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Susan Crawford Mewborn.*



Thea and Morgan Bergstedt - February 04 at 07:25 PM

LB

“ Susan was the best mother-in-law to me and Nana to my children that I could ever possibly have asked for. Many positive words come to mind to describe her: she was always kind, loving, generous, warm, compassionate, caring, supportive, giving, understanding, witty, intelligent, enthusiastic, interested, adventurous, encouraging...overall just the epitome of a good person. She was immensely involved and dedicated to our family and contributed more to our family than words can describe. I cannot thank her enough for that. Susan will forever be in our hearts. We love her and will deeply miss her.

Levi Bunkers - February 04 at 02:30 PM

TB

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Susan when my son Levi married her daughter Katie. She always welcomed us with a warm smile. I so enjoyed her enthusiasm and wish I could have heard more about her traveling and adventures. Susan always had such interesting stories....seems we never got enough time together with the hustle and bustle of family events. James, Julie and Katie you can take comfort in knowing she lived life to the fullest and that she loved her family above all. My heartfelt sympathy to you all...❤️ Teresa Bunkers

Teresa Bunkers - February 04 at 10:15 AM



“ Joyful Memory was purchased for the family of Susan Crawford Mewborn.



February 03 at 11:32 PM



“ *Be My Love Bouquet with Red Roses was purchased for the family of Susan Crawford Mewborn.*



February 03 at 11:18 PM



“ *Aunt Susan was the 1st person to talk to my Mom when I was born. She was the one who gave me a unique stuffy, from Scotland, for my 1st B-day. I have it sitting on my shelf. She loved to travel. I have many good memories traveling with her to: Balitmore, Ocean City, Nags Head, Park Rapids, Ely, Lake City, Red Wing, Edina, Stewartville and skiing at Caribou Highlands. She showered me with gifts: 10 cards for every birthday, purses, scarfs, ornaments, dishware, record player, books, hats, memorabilia, family receipes, money, and lots of X-mas presents. She was there for me for many life changing events. She opened her home to us when I had to take my hygiene exam. She provided emotional support when Morgan was hospitalized at Mayo. She rented the "Hertiage House" for my bridal shower and hired a harpist. Aunt Susan was classy. She always went big, never small. She always put her family first. She loved life, her family, reading, speaking French, hosta's, flowers, shopping, and the outdoors. I am forever grateful to have this memories and I hold them close to my heart. She will be dearly missed. I love you Auntie Sue-Sue.*

Thea Bergstedt - February 03 at 07:00 PM

JE

Dearest Susan was a beloved friend to everyone blessed to know her. Her brilliant mind and compassionate spirit inspired all whose lives she touched. To her many life-long friends she has been described as "a spark", "classy", "radiant", "courageous", "a passionate advocate", "a mentor with an unmatched strength of character", and she had "a stunning smile that lifted the spirits of everyone in her presence". She will be dearly missed, but her loving spirit and beautiful smile will be forever present in our hearts. Thank you, Susan, for the legacy of your dear friendship. Joan Elkins

Joan Elkins - February 05 at 03:35 PM