



Suzanne "Sue" Wacks Chinouth

November 27, 1930 - February 18, 2021

Suzanne "Sue" Wacks Chinouth, 90, passed away peacefully on February 18, 2021. Her loving family cared for her at home honoring their father, Kyle's, wishes. It has been an honor to take care of Mama.

Sue was born in Norton, Virginia, November 27, 1930. She was the daughter of the late Nettie and Kermit Wacks. She was pre-deceased by siblings, Chalmers Wacks, Illo Goff, Clement Davis, and Sonny Wacks. Granddaughter, Katie Alexandra Chinouth Hyatt, sons-in-law, Mark Hyatt and Baxter Kelly.

She is survived by her children, Kyleen Chinouth Kelly, Mickey Chinouth (Susan), Rusty Chinouth (Chris), and Susan Denise Hyatt. Grandchildren, Ginnie Decker (Jake), Alyson Decker (Jason), Jordan Chinouth (Amy), Grant Chinouth, Hunter Mann (Coty), Marcus Hyatt, and Mark Kelly, Sara Poole and J.J. Vestal. 12 Great-Grandchildren, Jackson Chinouth, Adalyn Chinouth, Rachael Decker, Taylor Decker, Tristan Decker, Jorja Decker, Morgan Decker, Sophia Decker, Michael Decker, Justin Decker, Caleb Decker and Charlie Mae Mann. She is also survived by several Chinouth and Wacks nieces and nephews. Grandchildren and Greats loved NANNY!!! They described Nanny as funny, loving, patriotic, strong, classy, feisty, true blue, resilient, and loyal. Mom was always there for us at every horse show, sports event, beauty pageant and school plays.

Sue along with her husband, Kyle, owned and operated Chinouth Construction Company. She was always right beside Kyle being his helper doing just about everything! Member of the North Johnson City Business Club, they built and owned Holiday Shopping Center, the first one in North Johnson City. The first ever helicopter drop of ping pong balls for prizes was a highlight of that opening. They also built and owned Landmark Shopping Center.

She was a lifelong REPUBLICAN to the very end. President of the Washington County Republican Women (2) terms, first woman to serve as chairman of the Washington County

Republican Party, first vice chair (3) terms, Washington County Republican Party, Washington County Commissioner, 8 years, Finance Committee, CIA Committee, Vice Chairman of the Jail Building Committee, Member and Chairman Washington County Election Commission, Campaign Volunteer for various local, State and National Republican Candidates. Meeting Vice President Dan Quayle and wife Marilyn, Laura Bush and Lynn Cheney were highlights for her. She also loved to entertain at their farm on Knob Creek Road, Landmark Farms, many fundraisers were held for Gov. Winfield Dunn, Jimmy Quillen, Howard Baker, Bill Brock, Bill Frist, Lamar Alexander, Fred Thompson, Don Sunquist, Rusty Crowe, David Davis and Bob Patton. She was also a founding member of the Washington County Veterans Memorial Park. She admired President Ronald Reagan and Nancy, George H.W. Bush and Barbara, George W. Bush and Laura but she does have a set of pearls from the JACKIE KENNEDY ONASSIS collection.

The Jonesborough Fourth of July parade Republican Party float was always a major project at Landmark Farms. Decorating and participating in the parade were highlights of the grandchildren's 4th of July holiday. Sue also loved to support Republican candidates with their yard signs, but you better ask her before putting it there!!! She was also known for her expertise at Tobacco setting and driving the truck to the Co-Op warehouse. She was the "Queen" of Goodwill and thrift store shopping. She loved bright colored jackets, jewelry, hats and pocketbooks. She couldn't pass up a doll and had collected over 100.

Sue was a member of the East Unaka Church of Christ and always welcomed the youth groups for hay rides, snow sledding and picnics.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions there will be no formal visitation or funeral. The family will hold a private graveside service for Sue in the Mountain Home National Cemetery. She will once again be with the "Love of her life," Kyle, whom she met at 15 and he 19 on February 11, 1945 and were later married on September 3, 1947. A celebration of Life service will be held at a later date.\

Memorial donations may be sent to the Haven of Mercy (123 W. Millard Street, Johnson City, TN 37604) or the Washington County Veterans Memorial Park (P.O. Box 3594, Johnson City, TN 37602).

Memories and condolences may be shared at www.tetrickfuneralhome.com. Tetrick Funeral Services 3001 Peoples Street Johnson City, TN 37604 (423-610-7171) is honored to serve the Chinouth Family.

Comments



“ So sorry to hear about Mrs. Chinouth’s death.Both she and Kyle were very supportive of me when I was starting my Chiropractic practice in Landmark Village Center.
I always enjoyed her funny stories and she was a character.She loved her family and friends .they were both community pioneers in Johnson City.She will be missed.
Cynthia Reynolds



Cynthia A. Reynolds - February 26 at 10:06 AM



“ Susan and family sorry to hear of your loss may GOD bless and give you all comfort
I’m sure she will be missed
GOD BLESS
Mike Hathaway

MICHAEL HATHAWAY - February 25 at 09:28 PM



“ Sorry to see about Sues passing. She and Kyle were our friends and neighbors for many years. I grew up with the Chinouth family.

Betty Seaton Williams

Betty Seaton Williams - February 24 at 05:47 PM



“ The loss of someone dear to us is never easy. I hope all the cherished memories that you have of your Mother brings you some light during this dark time. Our deepest condolences to you and your family.
Please know that we are keeping you and yours in our thoughts and prayers.
Jack Daniels Family

Eva Daniels - February 22 at 08:54 PM



“ Having worked with Mickey and serving with Rusty, we are truly saddened by your mother’s death. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this difficult time.
Mark and Lisa Baines Bacon

Lisa Bacon - February 21 at 12:42 PM



“ It is with both sadness and happiness I write this to the Chinouth family. As you all know the Wrights and Chinouths were close friends for many years. I write "happiness" because I know the life Suzanne lived. Honest, loyal, kind, and caring who loved her Lord Jesus and to be absent from this earth is to be in the presence of Him.

I never knew a better woman than your mother. You may not know this but Suzanne was indirectly responsible for my becoming an RN. As a sophomore in high school I had a very difficult time and my grades had slipped greatly. Sue suggested Washington College Academy to my Mom because she had attended it and knew it would give more attention to its students. I went from making D's to making the honor role plus learned responsibility as well as being a team member. The head of the Nursing School I attended said one of the reasons I was accepted in their first nursing class was my work at WCA. And that acceptance would never have happened if your Mom had not given that advise to my parents. I am forever grateful for her caring and influence she had for me. All who knew her are certainly better people for her example of a loving, Christian woman.

Love to all of you,
Connie Wright

Connie Wright - February 21 at 09:37 AM



“ Dear family, through the years I have known most of You at different times, but most recently as your neighbor. I loved see Mrs. Chinouth outside sitting on her porch or up at the barn. She was always quick with a smile and wave. She had my granddaughters over to visit the horses on several occasions. I have also witnessed the love and care that Mickey, Susan, Marcus, and Kyleen, who came often and stayed or took Mrs. Chinouth home with her. I am going to miss seeing her but I know she is with Mr. Chinouth (a good friend of my dad's) dancing in heaven, worshiping our Lord. That, I hope will give you all comfort.

Tracey Lovelady Behrer - February 21 at 08:58 AM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Suzanne "Sue" Wacks Chinouth.



February 20 at 11:34 AM



“ I have many wonderful memories of good times at Landmark Farm when Sue and Kyle invited the East Unaka Youth group to Halloween Parties, sledding and picnics! Sue was always willing to open her Home for many occasions. My sympathy to Kyleen, Mickey, Rusty and Denise Your Mom had a great, long and productive life! You and your extended families in my prayers. Love, Claudia

Clsudia Brown McCord - February 20 at 11:05 AM



“ Prayers for the family. So sorry for your loss.

Betty Onks - February 20 at 08:56 AM



“ To Sue's family, my sincerest condolences. I had the pleasure to know Sue back when she was involved in the Washington County Republican Women and served as the Chair of the Washington County Republican Party after my husband and I moved to Johnson City in 1992. Sue was always encouraging and supportive of me when I served as the Chair of the Washington County Republican and later as the Chair of the Washington County Republican Women. She willingly served as a knowledgeable mentor and advisor,
I always admired that she was so involved in the community and energetic and impressed of how she was able to get things done and make things happen.
Thankful to have known her and that she shared her talents to make Washington County a better place. Thinking of her family at this difficult time and praying for them all, but glad that Sue is once again reunited with her husband, Kyle. RIP Sue. Laura Wheeler

Laura Wheeler - February 20 at 08:34 AM



“ I am so sorry to hear about Sue passing she was a fine lady as I worked along side of her at the election commission office for years and I always respected her for doing what was the right thing she will be missed by many and prayers for the family and friends

carroll foster - February 20 at 08:07 AM