



SueAnn April Reese

April 1, 1966 - July 14, 2023

SueAnn April Reese, born April 1, 1966, in Newport, Tennessee, passed away on July 14, 2023, in Knoxville, Tennessee. She was the only child of Margaret "Evelyn" Reese, who preceded SueAnn in death in 2019.

SueAnn was of the Christian faith. She graduated from the University of Tennessee, with a Bachelor Degree in Fine Art and a Bachelor Degree in English.

She was employed, for 19 years, by the Knox County Public Library, East Tennessee History Center, Calvin M. McClung Collection, where she had numerous close friends and coworkers. She enjoyed traveling, photography, painting, and of course, history, and her own family history.

SueAnn is survived by her dear, lifelong friend, Wendy (Donald) Drummer, who opened up her home for SueAnn during her final days. SueAnn is also survived by numerous cousins, several devoted co-workers, and friends who visited frequently. She was especially grateful for very caring neighbors in her Reidtown Community. Neighbor Ricki Joe Crumbley cared for Sue Ann's four cats, Dixie, Les, Raffy, and Priscilla.

Receiving of friends will be 4 p.m. -6 p.m., Monday, July 17, 2023 with the Funeral Service to follow at 6:00 pm in Manes Funeral Home Chapel with Rev. Amanda Madson, officiating. Burial will take place at a later date at Phillips (Open Door) Cemetery.

Family and friends may sign the guest register online at www.manesfuneralhome.com

Arrangement by Manes Funeral Home, Newport, Tennessee.

Previous Events

Receiving of friends

JUL 17. 4:00 PM - 6:00 AM (ET)

Manes Funeral Home Chapel
363 East Main Street
Newport, TN 37821

Memorial service

JUL 17. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Manes Funeral Home, Inc. created a Tribute Video in memory of SueAnn April Reese*



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - July 16, 2023 at 11:08 AM

SM

Sweet tribute. You are with your sweet Mama now. Rest in peace.

Sandy Minor Mosley - July 17, 2023 at 12:26 PM

RR

“ *Well, we both left Newport a long time ago. I love reading the comments from your friends in Knoxville. I am sad for the suffering you have gone through for some time now. Like always, by accident, I just found out after the fact that a friend / family had passed. I am very happy for you now that you are on your journey in the next realm. Knowing your love of what some call science fiction and what we know as Not science fiction I know you have been through your VOIR DIER and are in what some would call your orientation for your very exciting journey. Enjoy, enjoy, enjoy, enjoy. Tell your Mom and my Dad I said Hello. Dad comes around from time to time. To the Knoxville friends of Sue Ann, pay attention, listen, listen. Sue Ann will, from time to time, visit you. Love and respect for you Sue Ann. Nice Picture Girl. Ronnie*

Ronnie Lee Rathbone - July 17, 2023 at 10:54 PM

RR

“ *Ronnie Rathbone lit a candle in memory of SueAnn Reese*



Ronnie Lee Rathbone - July 17, 2023 at 10:38 PM

LW

“ *I'm heartbroken!*

This beautiful human with such a loving spirit, wonderful sense of humor, abundance of intellect and quick wit will be truly missed. Working with you at the Beck Center was indeed a highlight in my life (neon pink to be exact -LOL) and the beginning of a lasting friendship. Ms. Evelyn and SueAnn, one of my favorite mother-daughter duos are together again. I love you and will miss you sweet friend!

LaTravia Williams, JeTori & Walter - July 17, 2023 at 06:01 PM

LD

“ *Rest in peace sue ann your Hard Journey is over. Larry and Kathy Drummer and Family*

Larry and Kathy Drummer - July 17, 2023 at 12:43 PM

TC

“ *SueAnn was a lovely person inside and out, with a vivacious, captivating, 500-watt smile. Articulate, soft-spoken, and quick-witted with a contagious laugh, her absence at McClung has been felt. The night sky will shine a little brighter with her star in it.*

Terry Caruthers - July 17, 2023 at 08:43 AM

RR

Beautiful and True.

Ronnie Lee Rathbone - July 17, 2023 at 10:37 PM

SP

“ Words fail me when trying to express what the loss of this bright light means to her family and many friends. SueAnn was a mermaid- and shark- loving treasure of a friend who will always be remembered with love and happy memories. Rest in peace, Dear Friend.

Sally R. Polhemus - July 16, 2023 at 01:06 PM

RR

Beautiful and True.

Ronnie Lee Rathbone - July 17, 2023 at 10:34 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of SueAnn April Reese.

July 16, 2023 at 11:59 AM



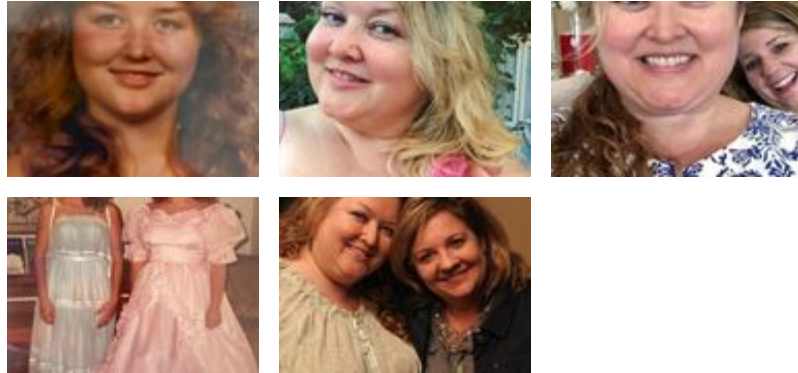
“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of SueAnn April Reese.



July 16, 2023 at 11:59 AM



“ 147 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Manes Funeral Home, Inc. - July 16, 2023 at 10:57 AM

KS

“ *I met SueAnn when I was at UT and she hired me as a student worker in the Art Department Visual Resources Collection. I always loved chatting with her about movies, music, art and just life in general. I especially remember enjoying hearing about her study abroad experience, and the time her mom scored her a pair of Ugg boots at a thrift store. After I graduated, I ended up being hired in her position as she was leaving to take her job with the McClung Collection. We stayed in touch and I always appreciated being included as an honorary member in "the club" for dinners at PF Changs. She was just such a special person and we're all lucky to have known her. My heart is broken for Wendy, who was such a wonderful friend to her.*

Kate Spears - July 15, 2023 at 11:18 PM

RR

Beautiful.

Ronnie Lee Rathbone - July 17, 2023 at 10:41 PM

JS

“ I am so saddened to hear Sue Ann has passed away. She was a dear student to both my husband and me at Maury Middle School. She was so talented and a well loved classmate and friend to all. Our love and prayers are with her family, friends, and classmates.
Jim and Janie Slaton

janie slaton - July 15, 2023 at 09:55 PM



“ Rest in peace, dear friend. *David and Kristy Ottinger*

Kristy Ottinger - July 15, 2023 at 06:15 PM

PP

“ Many prayers for family and friends of SueAnn. I always enjoyed visits with her when she and she Mother came to Stokely Memorial Library. We shared some interesting topics!

Pauline Proffitt - July 15, 2023 at 03:30 PM

CB

“ I wish you weren't gone. I miss you so much. We all miss you. And thank you, Wendy, for being the saint that you are. To the end, she knew she was not alone because of you. May we be half as good a person as you.

CCC Ball - July 15, 2023 at 12:09 PM

RR

Beautiful.

Ronnie Lee Rathbone - July 17, 2023 at 10:42 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of SueAnn April Reese.*



July 15, 2023 at 11:44 AM



“ *SueAnn, it was such a joy to work with you! I loved how you would talk about Star Wars and other geeky stuff with me. You always had a smile on your face and were always so nice to be around. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

Meghan Gran - July 15, 2023 at 09:06 AM



“ *SueAnn will be missed by her library family and all who knew her.*



Kelly States - July 15, 2023 at 08:30 AM



“ *Sincere sympathy to the friends and family of SueAnn Reece. Many coworkers and friends will miss her very much. RIP SueAnn. God Bless!*



Linda Bud Dawson - July 14, 2023 at 09:27 PM

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PC

“ Your in our thoughts and prayers

Phyllis and Leonard Combs - July 14, 2023 at 05:24 PM