



Susan K. Blanton

September 17, 1948 - November 29, 2018

Susan (Sue) K. Blanton, 70, of Leesburg, FL, passed away on Nov. 29, 2018 after a short and courageous battle with lung cancer. Born in Belvidere, IL, she was the daughter of Alfred and Anne Peiffer.

Sue grew up on Pigeon Hill in Aurora, IL and graduated from Madonna High School in 1966. She retired from Nunc (formally Miles Laboratories) in 1994 to pursue her love of travel. She and her beloved husband, Ron, relocated to Leesburg, FL, and enjoyed their retirement traveling the world over. When she wasn't traveling Sue enjoyed spending time with her six grandchildren, attending their activities and simply watching them grow up. Sue's greatest calling in life was that of a caregiver. She had the biggest, kindest heart and enjoyed caring for loved ones by helping them in any way she could. 'No' was never a part of her vocabulary.

Sue was a member of the VFW, the Eagle's Club, AmVets, and the Moose Lodge. She enjoyed volunteering, often in the kitchen - that was her specialty. She was also a volunteer board member of Innovations Charter School of West Orlando since 2010 and joined Acceleration Middle Charter School's governing board in 2018.

Sue is survived by her husband of 47 years, Ron; daughter, Heather (Rick) Merrithew of Summerville, SC, and sons Ronnie (Cathy) Blanton of Aurora, IL

and Shane (Keri) Blanton of Leesburg, FL; her precious grandchildren include Natalie and Tabitha Merrithew, Lucas Blanton, and Brandon (Jordyn), Laina and Zachary Blanton, and two great-grandchildren, Mason and Paisley Blanton. Along with her parents, she was preceded in death by her sister, Mary Peiffer Crick. Memorials in Sue's honor may be made to The Cornerstone Hospice Foundation 2445 Lane Park Road, Tavares, FL 32778 or your favorite charitable organization.

A Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, March 16 at 1:00 pm at Beyers Funeral Home, Leesburg with Pastor David Stauffer officiating.