



## Patricia Sue Huffman

July 31, 1945 - June 11, 2016

Patricia Sue Huffman, age 70, has died following a long and courageous hard fought battle with brain cancer. She passed peacefully in her Craig County home on Saturday, June 11, 2016, surrounded by her loving family.

Sue, a native of Coeburn, Virginia was born July 31, 1945, and was one of 15 siblings and the daughter of Cecil and Nellie McConnell. She was a dedicated Christian with a generous and tender heart who spent a lifetime in service to the church. She was a devoted wife, a loving and caring mother, and a true friend to all.

Sue is survived by her husband of 35 years, Lt. Col.(Ret.) Berlin B. Huffman; daughter Kim Garst and her husband Joseph Garst and their two sons Tyler and Logan; daughter Robin Venden and her husband Kelly Venden and their two daughters Mia and Maura; daughter Ronda Moore and her husband David Moore and their three children Jesse, Emma and Abigail; stepdaughter Jeanne Huffman Reynolds and her husband Tim Reynolds; sisters Wilma Nickels, Ganell Marshall, Naomi Ormes, Lynn McConnell, Becky Beavers, Jeannie Mullins; brothers William McConnell and Cecil McConnell, Jr.; an abundance of nieces and nephews and many other relatives and close friends.

She is best remembered for her warm and exuberant personality and her

treasured ability to bring both happiness and beauty into the lives of others. A self-taught pianist, she played the piano for years for the Forks of John's Creek Christian Church. It was her passion for floral design and decorating wreaths that touched so many people. Her gift brightened special occasions across the local community and brought honor and distinction as her wreaths hung proudly in the governor's mansion in Richmond, Virginia. She served as inspiration to all when she was selected as the first grand champion winner in the decorated and un-decorated wreath categories at the National Christmas Tree Growers Association.

Her faith gave us strength, her courage provided inspiration, her love bound her family, and her life brought happiness to all it touched. She will be greatly missed...

I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.

2 Timothy 4:7

Celebration of Life, "A Tea Party", and visitation will be held at New Castle Christian Church Friday, June 17th from 6:00 to 9:00 pm. Funeral Services will be held at New Castle Christian Church 2:00 pm Saturday, June 18th with Ernie Johnston and Cody Rader officiating. Interment will follow at Huffman Cemetery on John's Creek. Messages of sympathy and support may be sent to the family at: Paitself Funeral Home. [www.paitselfh.com](http://www.paitselfh.com)

# Tribute Wall

TH

“ MR HUFFMAN, SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT YOUR WIFE. SHES IN HEAVEN NOW.

TANYA HARMAN - June 23, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ To Berlin and the family of sweet Sue...I'm so sorry to hear of the passing of Sue. I've been gone from Craig Co. For several years now and was unaware that Sue was ill. My heart aches for you. I first met Sue when I was just a young kid and she was teaching bible school at Forks of Johns creek Christian church, even as a kid I admired her devotion to the church and her love of life and children. Sue was such a wonderful person, I loved her and looked up to her my whole life. She even helped throw me a bridal shower and gave me wonderful advise that I'll never forget. She was one of a kind that's for sure. I will miss her smile and laughter and love greatly. I pray that you can find comfort in knowing she's no longer suffering and in pain. GOD be with you all....with our love The Campbell family

Krystal Campbell - June 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Precious Memories for a very special lady. May your light shine on.

Carolyn Harris - June 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Words are never enough to ease the loss. Sue was very special person in my life and my family. We will miss her earthly presence. With all my heart I grieve for you. Pat hicks

Patricia hicks - June 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GC

*“ We celebrate Sue's heavenly birthday as she enjoys her reward for a lifetime spent serving her Lord and others. Sue was a strong and loving lady and she will be sorely missed by those who knew her, especially by her husband Berlin and her family members. Our condolences go to them as they wait with us to rejoin her some great and glorious day.*

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**Gene and Rita Carter** - June 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SL

*“ what a beautiful way to live one's life: fashioning the beauty of the world into the magic of Christmas! Our family will miss her warm, welcoming smile each year.*

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**stephen and patty lemon** - June 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

HK

*“ We knew Sue for only a short time. It was a pleasure to have met her. We remember her artistry fondly and her generosity gratefully.*

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**Helen and K** - June 14, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DM

*“ Rodona, i am so sorry to hear about your loss. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers.*

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**Dianna Dillon Morrow** - June 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TN

“ To the family of Sue Huffman I extend my sincere condolences. I am deeply saddened of her passing, but I know she is now with her Lord and we will see each other again. I will always treasure my close friendship with Sue. I learned much from her award winning wreaths to win contests and to create beauty like of which I never have seen. I will miss her articles in Christmas Trees magazine from which is valued information. I always enjoyed supplying Sue with numerous cones she lovingly used on wreaths she made. I will miss that. Sue was a good guidance counselor on life to live a good Christian life from which she was so blessed. I am thankful to know Sue and develop a close friendship and seeing her at the VCTGA meetings was always a treat. I will cherish these memories I have of Sue and will miss her a great deal. May the Lord bless her family in the days and weeks ahead to adjust to this loss. I have remembered Sue in prayer for as long as her condition prevailed. I loved Sue as a dear and close friend. My prayer is for peace and understanding considering the circumstances. I shall miss our email correspondences. Tommy NaylorBenson, North Carolina

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**Tommy Naylor** - June 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

FC

“ A dear friend that felt like family. I've never been treated better. Welcomed me into their home so many times. Love you, Berlin!! Proud to have been a part of both your lives for many years. May God give you the strength you need in days to come. God Bless You and the family. Lean on "Him Alone." Fox

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**Fox Clay** - June 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ You will be truly missed. And I know I will definitely miss seeing you at IGA and your visit's to the hair salon. My thoughts and prayers are with your family.

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**Tammy Rock** - June 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ We the staff here at Paitzel Funeral Home are deeply sorry for your loss

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**Paitzel Funeral Home** - June 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM