



Susan Gay Babcock

July 4, 1953 - April 2, 2025

Susan Gay Babcock, 71, of Phelps Road, Kalkaska, Michigan passed away peacefully on April 2, 2025, at Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Long Term Care. Sue was born in Traverse City, MI to Lowell and Alice Babcock on July 4, 1953. She was part of the 1971 Kalkaska High School class. She attended Great Lakes Christian College and studied biblical ministry before returning to Northern Michigan. Full of love, compassion and resilience, she touched lives of all who knew her.

Sue is survived by her daughter, Alison Neihardt of Kalkaska, MI; her siblings, Joyce (Tony) Candela of St. Clair Shores; David (Terry) Babcock of Kalkaska; Mike (Kim) Babcock of Kalkaska; Debbie (Joe) Rogers of Williamsburg; Diane (Kurt) Schuler of Traverse City; and over 50 nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great nephews.

She is predeceased in death by her parents and her infant children, son, Matthew; daughter, Bridget; and nephew, Jason Candela.

Sue enjoyed working in the various jobs as a professional seamstress, human resources representative and bookkeeper and retired from Cone Drive. She also served on her township's Board of Review.

Sue's passion was serving God, her family, and others. She was a member of the Kalkaska Church of Christ where she taught Sunday School for many years.

Loving on her sweet dog, Gus, reading and sewing were a few of her hobbies. Sue was quiet but she lived "out-loud" with her diligent assurance to send

birthday cards to every family member, make a quilt when they were married and for each new baby (and remember there were over 50...). She was also part of a local quilting group that served the community in various ways including one of her favorite's – The Kalkaska Baby Pantry.

A memorial service to celebrate her life will take place on Monday, April 21, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. at Kalkaska Church of Christ, with visitation at 12:00 p.m. An interment service at the Maple Grove Cemetery in Rapid River Township will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Kalkaska Baby Pantry.

Arrangements provided by Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home, our family serving yours.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 21. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (ET)

Kalkaska Church of Christ
1725 W. Kalkaska Rd
Kalkaska, MI 49646

Celebration of Life

APR 21. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ 70 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wolfe-O'Neill Funeral Home - April 18, 2025 at 09:57 AM



“ We are so sorry to learn of Sue's passing. A very quiet lady, but a very sweet lady with a beautiful smile. Our deepest sympathy to her daughter Alison and all of the Babcock Family. She will certainly be missed by all who knew her. May God Bless her family, and may she rest in peace.

Will & Patty Rodgers

Rodgers - April 12, 2025 at 02:26 AM