

ROACH, SUZETTE LOUANNA

Birth

August 31, 1948 at Keokuk, Iowa

Death

October 21, 2019 in Des Moines, Iowa

Cause of Death

Cancer

Cemetery Lot

Maiden Name

Curtis

Father

Howard Curtis

Mother

Vida Fowler

Marriage

Suzette Curtis to Donnie Roach on September 1, 1968 at Montrose, Iowa

Obituary

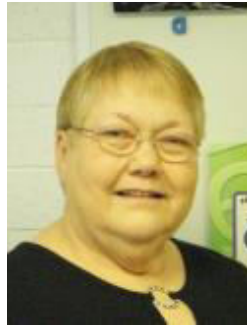
[Des Moines Register, October 2019]

The following is from the Memorial Folder:

Suzette Louanna (Curtis) Roach, age 71, of Norwalk died Monday, October 21, 2019 at Unity Point Hospital in Des Moines.

Visitation 5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, October 24th with a Celebration of Life Service at 1 p.m. Friday, October 25th at O'Leary Funeral Services in Norwalk, For a complete obituary, on-line condolences and to order flowers (using O'Leary's Flowers in Norwalk) select the "send tributes/flowers" tab on this screen or call (515) 981-0700.

Suzette's Life Story



Suzette Louanna, the daughter of Howard and Vida (Fowler) Curtis, was born on August 31, 1948 in Keokuk, Iowa. Suzette was raised, most of her young life, on the family farm outside Montrose. She participated in 4H, showing cattle, refinishing projects and cooking. She even qualified for a cooking demonstration for the Iowa State Fair. Her family moved to Norwalk in 1965 when she was a junior in high school. She graduated from Norwalk with the Class of 1966; and then attended the University of Iowa for two years, transferring to Drake University in Des Moines graduating with a degree in elementary education, She taught at East, Lakewood, and Oviatt Elementary Schools all in Norwalk retiring in 2013, as a reading specialist.

Suzette met her husband to be in November 1965 through a mutual friend after a basketball game in Norwalk. They were united in marriage on September 1, 1968 in Montrose, Iowa, and to their union had two sons, Curtis and Kevin. Suzette was a very good cook, enjoyed reading, ordering Donnie around, and doting upon her grandchildren. She and Donnie enjoyed their group of friends “The Birthday Club”; going out for dinner and different activities throughout the years. She also served on the Norwalk Public Library board.

Suzette endured many life challenges these past few years. She died peacefully Monday afternoon, October 21, 2019 at Unity Point Hospital in Des Moines. She lived 71 years, one month, and 20 days. She was preceded in death by her father; two siblings, a brother Howard Woodford Jr. “Woody” and a sister, in infancy, Nancy Kay.

She is survived by Donnie of Norwalk; two sons, Curt (Missy) of Prole and their three children, Bailey, Garret, and Madison and Kevin of Des Moines; her mother, Vida Curtis of Pleasant Hill; three siblings, a brother Frank (Debbie) Curtis of Norwalk and two sisters, Jeonia Curtis of Des Moines and Kristi (John) Stockton of Leawood, KS; a brother-in-law David (Dee) Roach of Cumming; a sister-in-law, Linda (Fred) Reese of Bronson, IA; many beloved cousins and host of family and friends.

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Celebrating A Life

Suzette Louanna Roach

Celebration of Life Service
1 p.m. Friday, October 25, 2019
O’Leary Funeral and Cremation Services
1020 Main St ~ Norwalk, Iowa

Music
Home by Chris Tomlin
Amazing Grace by Alan Jackson
When I Get Where I’m Going by Brad Paisley

Honorary Pall Bearers
Madison Roach ~ Bailey Roach ~ Kevin Roach

Pall Bearers

Garrett Roach ~ Mike Myer ~ Brian Myer
Todd Curtis ~ Eddie Fowler ~ Bob Fowler
Chris Fowler

Final Resting Place
Pleasant Ridge Cemetery
Orilla, Iowa

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