

Susan C. Johnston

Susan C. Johnston, 72, passed away peacefully in her home in Eau Claire on July 8, 2021. She was born October 31, 1948, to Leo & Lillian Koskelin and graduated from Eagle River High School. She received a nursing diploma from Milwaukee County Hospital School of Nursing and moved to Kentucky to begin her nursing career as an intensive care nurse. She obtained Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees from the University of Virginia where she continued as an intensive care nurse and practical nursing instructor. It was in Virginia that she met her future husband, Neil, with whom she had two children. Sue and her family returned to Wisconsin in 1978, where she continued her career as a nurse, nursing instructor at CVTV and clinical examiner. She also continued her education to obtain an Educational Specialist degree from UW-Stout and completed 48 PhD credits in Educational Policy & Administration at the University of Minnesota-Minneapolis. After retiring, Sue and Neil moved to South Carolina in 2006 and met some wonderful new



friends. However, family needs called them back to Wisconsin and they returned to Eau Claire in 2015.

Sue loved reading, gardening, cooking and traveling. She and her husband visited all seven continents, including the depths of the Amazon, the frozen Antarctic and the heat of the Egyptian pyramids. She also greatly enjoyed time spent with her family and many dear friends.

Sue is survived by her mother, her husband of 47 years, Neil, two children, Jamie Johnston and Sara Johnston (Brian Frandsen), stepsons Les Johnston and Barry Johnston, step-grandchildren Samara Johnston, Tyler Johnston, Adam Johnston, Colton Frandsen and Cayden Frandsen, siblings David Koskelin (Debbie), Donald Koskelin (Un Mi), Joy Koskelin, and Kathy Hotovec (Jeff), and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her brother, Steven and her father.



The family would like to thank the wonderful staff with Mayo Clinic Hospice for their caring support and compassion. No services are planned at this time. Cards and condolences may be sent to:

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