



Susan Elaine Gardner (Howell)

October 12, 2014

Susan Elaine (Howell) Gardner, age 75 of Powell, Ohio died Sunday, October 12, 2014 in the presence of her family at her home. Susan was born in New Madison, Ohio and graduated from New Madison High School in 1957. Susan earned a degree in Elementary Education from Miami University and a Master's Degree in Reading from Wright State University. Susan began her distinguished career in education at Demmitt Elementary School in Vandalia, Ohio. She was later employed by, and retired from, the Ohio State Department of Education as a Reading/Language Arts Specialist in the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education, Curriculum and Instruction Unit. Susan was a member of the Ohio Education Association, International Reading Association, the National Council of Teachers of English, The Ohio Supervisor's Association, the Ohio Council of Reading and was a board member, president and Outstanding Language Arts Educator Award recipient of the Ohio Council of Teachers of English Language Arts. Susan was an elected Member of the Delaware County Democratic Central Committee and regularly served as a poll worker. Susan loved her family, children of all ages, teaching, reading, travel, her dogs and The Ohio State Buckeyes. Susan is survived by her husband John S. Gardner of Powell, daughter Sherene Gardner (Terri Rucker) of Sunbury, Ohio, son R. Sean Grayson (Michelle Evans) of Powell, Ohio, grandsons Jarett Gardner and Seth Grayson and granddaughters Kennedy Elaine Gardner, Breanna Gardner Rucker and Alexis Gardner Rucker, sister Carol Howell, nephew Robert (Jill) Conway and

nieces Kathy (Ralph) Kell and Jane (Keith) Barr. Visiting hours will be held from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. on FRIDAY, October 17, 2014 with a memorial service to follow at 3:00 p.m. at the RUTHERFORD FUNERAL HOME AT POWELL, 450 W. Olentangy St. (Powell Rd./St. Rt. 750/1/4 mile east of Sawmill Pkwy), Powell, Ohio 43065. Condolences to www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Susan Elaine Gardner (Howell)*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *John and family,*

We are deeply saddened by Susan's passing. We are traveling now, but certainly are with you in spirit. Susan had an incredibly full and productive life and we celebrate that with you. May peace be with you today and always. Love, Hal and Jessie.

Hal and Jessie Barker - October 17, 2014 at 12:00 AM



“ *John, both you and Susan have been such dear people to me. My heart breaks for you.*

Family, Your mom (grandma) was the most special person. She spent the long election hours talking about each of you. You made her so very proud.

**Grieve not, nor speak of me with tears, but laugh and talk of me as if I were beside you. I loved you so—it was heaven here with you.
~Isla Paschal Richardson*

Carolyn Clayton - October 16, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dear John,

When we remember Susan, we smile! We recall all the wonderful, fun times we shared with Susan and John. Our trips to the Smokey Mountains stand out as some of our most cherished memories. Susan was a renaissance woman and will be remembered by those who knew her as such.

Love Gary and Judie

Gary and Judie Lincks - October 16, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ Sean, I send my sincerest condolences to you and all of your family. I pray that God will wrap his loving arms of comfort and peace around you at this time. Keep your memories close to heart!
Sincerely, Edie B

Edie Buckle - October 15, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ My sincere sympathy to the family of Susan. She was such a delightful person to know. We worked together at ODE and shared many stories and anecdotes. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Linda Mercer - October 14, 2014 at 12:00 AM