



Susan Elaine Scritchfield

February 26, 1951 - October 22, 2018

Susan Elaine Scritchfield passed away peacefully on Oct. 22, 2018, after ten months of great effort against a rare neuro-endocrine cancer. She wrote this obituary while receiving hospice care with OhioHealth, where she had been a contingency social worker for the past eight years: I was born Feb. 26, 1951, in beautiful Bedford, Penn. I was preceded in death by my wonderful father, James Roy Scritchfield. I am survived by my beloved husband, Dr. Emil R. Pinta, who kept me laughing, well-cared for and well-informed on daily events. Also surviving are my dear Mom, Evelyn Scritchfield, who along with my family are the best the Lord could give—sister Pamela Montgomery (dearest John) and their marvelous son Tyler Montgomery (Michelle Vassallo); and sister Jamie Elder (RIP Tom) whose children are the best nieces and nephews in the world: Matt (Becky) Elder, Matthew and Elizabeth, and Erin (John) Shonkwiler and Caleb. Later I was gifted with such amazing stepdaughters and grandchildren, all wonderful joys: Wendy Pinta and children David Emil and Clara Grace Gallapoo, and Jill Pinta Guerra (Alex) and children Emilie Petersen, Maximus and Mary Gillespie.

I was privileged to earn a degree at the University of Pittsburgh, and graduate degrees from the OSU John Glenn School and OSU College of Social Work. My main life's work was as a Medical Social Worker. Later I was fortunate to have deeply meaningful experiences helping staff and patients as Patient Education Manager at the OSU James Cancer Hospital. Originally a member of the Church of the Brethren in Bedford, I later discovered Liberty

Presbyterian Church in Delaware, which filled me with God, music and spiritual inspiration. I attended wonderful groups there on Tuesday mornings, and had amazing friendships from my mission service to El Olvido, Honduras, and loving God-given relationships with friends and families at our sister-church, Brazos Abiertos. Accidentally landing in Ohio many years ago, I enjoyed the greatest friends who are my family by choice-- Cathy, Lea, Tami, Tawny, Marsha, Diane, Judy, Carol and the Buckeyes Cruisers. We laughed, loved, travelled and enjoyed so much together! Getting to other beautiful areas in the world was such a delight! I also have the best neighbors and tennis mates in Worthington Hills that one can find. And I still have so many sweet schoolmates and friends from Bedford High School! I so much enjoyed my work in pottery glazing and glass fusion, and in working and teaching stained glass. I am so thankful to my parents and grandmothers for graciously bestowing on me the gift of God's everlasting presence and faith.

Susan asked that her loved ones remember her and recall all the good lessons from her life. She knew when she went on, that there would be happy radiations of caring and love for all. Celebration of Life Memorial Services will be held at future dates in Columbus and Bedford, Penn. Her family requests any donations be sent to Kobacker House, Columbus, in lieu of flowers.

Condolences to www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Susan Elaine Scritchfield*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *To Emil and family,
How heartbroken I was to hear that my dear CPEN friend and colleague had passed. Susan had a wonderful and caring personality... she was funny and kind to all and we shared many laughs together. I have such fond memories of our conference antics! She will be missed by all whose lives she touched and I feel fortunate to have known her. Audrey Friedman*

audrey - October 31, 2018 at 09:04 PM



“ *I met Susan through CPEN (Cancer Patient Education Network). We served on the Board together and I absolutely LOVED her spirit and kind heart. I also remember her wonderful laughter and joy. She was a role model of professionalism, respect, and hard work. Our lives were made richer by her presence and she clearly made a difference in patients lives through her work. My sincerest condolences and prayers to all those who loved her. Kelli Fee-Schroeder*

Kelli Fee-Schroeder - October 31, 2018 at 09:24 AM

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“ Susan was a friend and role model for me and others when we worked at Ohio State University Hospital. She was a great social worker, always willing to talk over a problem or find help for a patient or family. I am sorry for your family's loss. She was a wonderful person. Pat Thrall

Patricia Thrall - October 26, 2018 at 05:05 PM

GS

“ Very sorry to hear about Susan, Emil. Hope you are well.

Glen Scott

Glen Scott - October 26, 2018 at 08:40 AM

JR

“ I adored Susan from the first moment that I met her. She planned a memorable wedding with songs from the Phantom. I was so happy to be at the Wedding with my friends. Susan was an elegant lady and always had time to talk to friends and make them feel very special. I especially enjoyed the trip to Cincinnati for the Tennis Open. Susan always had a special treat for me when I visited with them. Sometimes it was a special flavor of tea or a great recipe. Whenever I stayed with Susan and Emil, they made me feel so very welcome. Susan and I shared lots in common: tennis, literature, gardening, healthy food and an enthusiasm for life. I will miss you and I love you, my friend, GOD is lucky to have you.

Jeanette Rhyner - October 25, 2018 at 12:03 PM

CC

“ I would like to express my deepest sympathy to family and friends. May all of your good memories be greater than your sadness during this difficult time. (Isaiah 25:8)

christie c - October 25, 2018 at 08:47 AM

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“ Susan's kind, loving heart showed in even when things were tough. She was an inspiration and will be missed.



Anna Pugh - October 24, 2018 at 08:39 PM