



Susan J. Thill

November 22, 1939 - February 25, 2026

Susan “Sue” Thill passed away peacefully on February 25, 2026, surrounded by family, after 86 years full of laughter and love.

Even though Sue and her husband, Jim, both attended Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, they didn’t meet until they went on a blind date in San Francisco, California. They spent 41 wonderful years together raising their three children, doting on their grandchildren, playing cards with dear friends, finding treasures while antiquing, and taking many trips, including traveling to Ireland and Alaska. Sue and Jim also attended St. Anne Catholic Church in Oswego, IL for many years. More recently, Sue was a member of St. Patrick Parish in Yorkville, IL.

Sue was warm, generous, and independent. She made friends everywhere she went, frequently striking up conversations with strangers and delighting in unexpected connections. Sue was practical, sunny, and quick to laugh. Her home was always decorated for the season, and she loved to host visitors. She was an excellent shopper and loved to give gifts - no one ever left her home empty-handed. No one left with an empty stomach, either. Sue liked to take care of people; fittingly, she worked as a school nurse for decades. She was also a storyteller and loved to reminisce over long games of Solitaire and Sevens with her grandchildren. She loved to sing, whether through the phone to wish someone a happy birthday, or along to Sweet Caroline on the radio.

Sue was adored by her grandchildren, who knew they would always find candy on their beds when they came to visit.

Most of all, Sue loved spending time with her friends and family. She had a full social calendar - if she wasn't on the phone chatting with a friend, she was meeting with her book club, seeing a show at the Paramount Theatre, or having dinner with her Friday night group. She loved going on vacation every summer with her family; so much so that she would start talking about next year's trip before the current one had even ended.

Sue was preceded in death by her husband, James Thill, and parents, Leroy and Dorothy (McCue) Kelly. She is survived by her children, Sharon (Arthur "Jay") Wynn, Peter (Kristine) Thill, and David (Cheryl) Thill; grandchildren, Lauren Thill, Nicholas (Samantha) Thill, Ryan Thill, Arthur James "A.J." Wynn, Colin Thill, and Aaron Wynn; her younger brother Peter (Barbara) Kelly; many nieces, nephews, and cousins; and countless close friends and neighbors who will all miss and love her forever.

A memorial mass will be held Saturday, March 14, 2026, at 10:00AM at St. Patrick Catholic Church (406 Walnut St, Yorkville, IL 60560); Fr. Gabriel will officiate. A private interment will take place at a later date.

Please visit our interactive website at www.daleidenmortuary.com to leave condolences for Susan's family or to sign the guest book (The Daleiden Mortuary 220 North Lake Street Aurora, IL 60506 Phone:630-631-5500).

Previous Events

Memorial Mass

MAR 14. 10:00 AM (CT)

St. Patrick Church
406 Walnut Street
Yorkville, IL 60560

Tribute Wall

JS

“ I was saddened this morning when I heard about Sue’s passing. My condolences to Elaine, Barb and your family members.

Janet Stevenson - April 07 at 12:50 PM

DH

“ I had the honor to work with Sue at OHS, she and Elaine formed a dynamic care team for our students and staff. My office was just across the hall for a time so we shared many times just hanging out and enjoying each others company. My heartfelt condolences to you and your family as you celebrate the life of your loved one. May your memories bring you comfort during this difficult time.

DANIEL HOEFLER - March 11 at 09:37 AM

BA

“ Pete I’m sorry for your loss. I remember both of your parents watching you in little league and at St Anne’s. It was a pleasure to watch you pitch . My prayers are with you.

Bradley Anderson - March 05 at 02:46 PM

CN

“ In the summer of 1976 my family moved to the area known as Arrowhead Hills in Oswego.(I never found one arrowhead) I soon became friends with Pete and Sharon. I was quickly able to ascertain who the nicest mom in the neighborhood was. From third grade up through high school I spent a lot of time at the Thills. Mrs. Thill just emanated the most wonderful motherly glow. She was always friendly, caring and smiling. Words can't do justice to how warm and welcoming she was to those around her. As an adult, I crossed paths with Mrs. Thill many times in District 308, and in each encounter those warm comforting feelings I felt as a boy would return in her presence. In a harsh world that can feel so daunting at times, a person with a kind and gentle soul like Mrs. Thill brings such solace.

My heart goes out to all who loved her. .

C. Neitzel - March 04 at 03:33 PM

CC

“ I had the pleasure of working with Sue in SD 308 for many years. I especially remember after she retired, she and her friend Peggy would come to Thompson JHS to help perform vision screenings. Sue was always so cheerful and happy to see me. She was a delight. We also had opportunities to sit and visit at our Kendall County Retired Teacher's luncheons. I am going to miss her contagious smile and exciting stories about her family trips. . My sincere condolences to her family.
Blessings, Carole Clark

Carole Clark - March 03 at 04:03 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Susan J. Thill.*



March 02 at 08:15 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Susan J. Thill.*



March 02 at 06:42 PM



“ *Natalie Cook and Colin Thill purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Susan J. Thill.*



Natalie Cook and Colin Thill - February 28 at 05:24 PM



“ *Natalie Cook and Colin Thill planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Susan J. Thill.*

Natalie Cook and Colin Thill - February 28 at 05:24 PM