



Susan Ann McShane

February 8, 1958 - August 1, 2022

Susan Ann (Hoefs) McShane passed away surrounded by her family on August 1, 2022 at the age of 64. Susan was born to Virgil and Delores Hoefs of Pender, NE on February 8, 1958. She was preceded in death by both parents. She is survived by husband Tom of Elkhorn, NE, sons Ian (Alicia) of Elkhorn and Max (Megan) of Lincoln, NE; grandsons Easton, Maverick, Ezra and Brooks McShane; granddaughter Rory McShane. She is also survived by brother Roger (Marlys) Hoefs and sister Wanda (Ron) Kelly, all of Pender, NE; sister-in-law and brother-in-law Martha and Todd Trautman of LaVista, NE, and numerous nieces and nephews and an uncountable number of friends. Susan earned both Bachelors and Masters degrees from the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. She taught for 35 years in the Adams, NE, Fort Calhoun, NE, and Elkhorn, NE public schools in various elementary grades. Education was her passion and life's work, impacting numerous young lives. August was always her favorite time of the year, whether it was to get back in the classroom, or get her boys out of the house will remain unknown. She retired in 2013, but continued as a substitute teacher in Elkhorn for many years. On June 12, 1982, Susan married Tom McShane. They had two sons-Ian and Max-and her joy in seeing how they matured into successful adults and loving husbands and fathers was boundless. Susan's passions were family and cooking, which fit together seamlessly. Susan enjoyed nothing more than planning and cooking for any type of family gathering. She was meticulous in planning the gathering and preparing the

meal. And those who were the beneficiaries of that planning and preparation felt the love Susan poured into it. Cooking for Susan was not just about treating family and friends, but a hobby, as well. She was an adventurous cook, and not afraid to try anything. Whether it was finding a new recipe in a cookbook, or inventing her own, she was happiest when the kitchen was overflowing with pots boiling, something simmering on the stove, and cooking paraphernalia strewn about the kitchen counters.

After two sons and three grandsons, Susan longed for a granddaughter she could buy “girly” clothes for, and when Rory came along, that longing was satisfied. Never much of a sports fan, she nonetheless loved going to Easton’s, Maverick’s and Ezra’s soccer, baseball, football, and basketball games. And was looking forward to the day that Brooks would join his older brothers on the field or court.

Susan was a wonderful wife, mother, grandmother, daughter, sister, sister-in-law, and friend. Those who knew and loved her, knew she loved them right back. The hole left in our hearts by her passing will eventually be filled, but we’re all richer for having lived in her circle.

A Celebration of Life Gathering will be held for family and friends on Thursday, August 11, 2022 at A View On State, 13467 State Street, Omaha, NE 68142 from 5-8 PM. Memorials may be made to the Elkhorn Public Schools Foundation or to St. Patrick’s School in Elkhorn.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

AUG 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

A View On State
13467 State Street
Omaha, NE 68142

Tribute Wall



“ *Susan Ann McShane*

December 10, 2022 at 09:12 AM



“ *I was heartbroken to hear of Susan's passing. I had the privilege of caring for her precious sons for three years when she taught in Fort Calhoun. She was a wonderful mother and I loved the interaction with her, Ian, Max, and Tom. I really did love those boys!! I'm sure Susan was a fantastic grandmother! Praying for comfort and strength for the family. Hattie Conradson*

Hattie Conradson - August 11, 2022 at 03:35 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Susan Ann McShane.*



August 11, 2022 at 12:34 PM



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“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Susan Ann McShane.*



August 10, 2022 at 04:31 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Susan Ann McShane.*



August 09, 2022 at 06:53 PM



“ *Blue Caribbean Bouquet was purchased for the family of Susan Ann McShane.*



August 08, 2022 at 01:50 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Susan Ann McShane.*



August 07, 2022 at 04:47 PM

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“ Tom and Family, I am extremely sorry to learn of your loss. I have great memories going back to her wedding day. She touched generations with her teaching. Best wishes and comfort in the days ahead, the pain of loss will fade, but the love shall not.

Henry Spangler - August 03, 2022 at 06:55 PM

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“ All of us who knew Susan are simply heartbroken. We shared many thoughts about politics, education and the joy of cooking. I loved how she loved and fed my bonus kid, Kyle. We supported a mutual friend who is going through a horrible life event. We laughed (now) about how our sons snuck off in NYC during a band trip and took a taxi. We agreed they both should have been sent home. Fortunately, Dr. B used her wisdom and they both learned more from her than a grounding by us. I will miss our texts and Facebook comments. Rest In Peace dear Susan.
Deb

Deb Eidam - August 03, 2022 at 12:26 PM

 Sharon
Knudsen

“ A beautiful obituary written by a loving family. I was able to see Susan as a teacher to my child, and there was no one more skilled and caring. In 2005, my 2nd grade daughter was diagnosed with an aggressive bone cancer. We were fortunate that she was in Mrs. McShane’s class. From that point for forward Mrs. McShane was not only my daughter’s teacher but her protector from all things bad. Although Hannah lost her hair, children in her class were very kind to her, no doubt due to Mrs. McShane’s guidance. Mrs. McShane kept her safely seated away from peers in a tiny classroom, but involved her in everything. Hannah had to miss many days of school, so Mrs. McShane came to our home to tutor her. She was gentle and encouraging to our shy daughter and assured us Hannah was keeping up despite missing 60 days of school that year. Hannah able to go on to college and now works in radiation therapy, in no small part due to Mrs. McShane’s excellent teaching and care so long ago. We will forever be grateful to her for the care and teaching she provided to Hannah in the most difficult year of our lives. She was a blessing.

Sharon Knudsen - August 02, 2022 at 10:07 PM