



Judy Watkins

August 4, 1938 - July 14, 2007

Amid many flowers, including a bouquet of wild flowers picked and arranged by her granddaughters, Judith Claire Watkins passed from this life to the next July 14, 2007. She went peacefully and with anticipation, surrounded by her family.

She was born on the fourth of August, 1938 in Kansas City, Missouri, the daughter of Judge Phil and Mrs. Phyllis Cook. Her childhood was spent in Lexington, Missouri. After high school, she attended the University of Kansas and was a member of Alpha Delta Pi sorority.

After her marriage in August, 1958, she resided with her husband in Laon, France for four years, and one year in Waco, Texas before moving to Pauls Valley in the fall of 1963.

She is survived by her husband, Dr. Paul Watkins; her eldest son, Steven Watkins and his wife Tonya of Houston, Texas; her daughter, Susan and her husband Douglas, of Fullerton, California; and her youngest son, Scott, of Pauls Valley.

She had four grandchildren; two grandsons: Carrigan McKenzie, U.S.M.C., Stuart Watkins of Houston, Texas and two granddaughters: Grace Norton and Sarah Norton of Fullerton, California.

She had one brother, David Cook and his wife Debbie of Lincoln, Missouri.

Judy loved her family, her Methodist Church, her pastor, her “crusaders” Sunday school class, and her community.

She loved to travel and entertain. She progressed from not knowing how to boil water to becoming a true gourmet cook. Collecting and sharing recipes was a passion.

Judy reveled in European travel with the Netherlands being her favorite destination. She took each of her children separately on a self conducted European tour upon his or her college graduation as a right of passage and adulthood.

Her favorite pastime was playing bridge. She was a member of the “American Contract Bridge League” and attained the prestigious rank of “Life Master” for her tournament play. She was a member of several bridge clubs in Pauls Valley and in Oklahoma City. As a bridge instructor, she taught many students in the Pauls Valley area.

Judy was most admired for her fierce tenacity to live life to its fullest, even in the face of her grave illness.

She will be greatly missed by her myriad of friends, and her loving family...but most of all by Paul.

He and the family wish to thank everyone for their gifts of flowers and food, visits and concerns; literally hundreds of offers of assistance, and most of all for the many, many prayers offered up in her behalf.

Funeral services are scheduled for 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, July 17, 2007 at the First United Methodist Church of Pauls Valley with the pastor, Dr. Robert Kanary officiating. Interment to follow in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Pauls Valley under the direction of Wooster Funeral Home. You may send a condolence to the family at www.woosterfuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 15. 1:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home and Cremation Services (Pauls Valley)
1601 South Chickasaw
Pauls Valley, OK

Visitation

JUL 16. 9:00 AM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Wooster Funeral Home and Cremation Services (Pauls Valley)
1601 South Chickasaw
Pauls Valley, OK

Service

JUL 17. 10:00 AM (CT)

First United Methodist Church- Pauls Valley
407 N. Willow Street
Pauls Valley, OK

Tribute Wall



“ *Judy Watkins*

November 12, 2022 at 02:44 AM



“ *Dear Watkins Family,
Just had the opportunity to watch the memory video. What a pleasure to see Judy and your family enjoying life to the fullest as she always did. Judy was a beautiful woman and I will miss her. Although we didn't see each other much, I felt a very special bond with her. You are all in my thoughts and prayers and I hope it helps to know that we are thinking about you. I know Judy is smiling from above - she is always smiling!
Sincerely,
Sharon and Charlie Balot##imported-begin##Sharon Balot##imported-end##*

August 02, 2007 at 09:33 PM



“ *Steve and Tonya, may God be with you and your family through this tough time. Although I have never met Mrs. Watkins she seemed to be a lovely person who was adored by many.##imported-begin##LaSaundra Caldwell##imported-end##*

July 24, 2007 at 10:25 AM



“ Dear Watkins Family,

My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.

While I did not know Judy as long as others, I was struck by her positive approach to life and the fun she had in being with her family. Over the course of a few days, I learned a great deal about family and the importance of enjoying each day.

I will always think of Judy with fond memories of Oklahoma football, barbeque, and fun in Tuscaloosa Alabama.

God Bless----

Take care,

Roger###imported-begin##Roger and Debbie Thompson###imported-end##

July 24, 2007 at 08:00 AM



“ Dear Paul,

Paul H. and I are very sad to hear of the death of your wonderful wife. You both hold a very special place in our memory and our hearts. Our first date was at your home when we attended an engagement party there. We love you and pray that you will feel peace and comfort during this time. We extend our sympathy to all of the family.

Love,

Wilma and Paul###imported-begin##Paul and Wilma Hamilton###imported-end##

July 22, 2007 at 05:20 PM



“ Dear Susan:

I am so sorry for the loss of your Mother. She was such a great lady, with much class and joy to life. I always remember the hats that she would wear. It just made a wonder statement about her. She loved each of you kids very much and when ever I would see her or your dad they would always tell me about you.

I would have attended the funeral but was out of town and did not even know about her passing until late Saturday night. I am so sorry.....

You remind me of your Mother. I look at her pictures and see you in them. You also have that joy of life about you.

I learned many things from what little I was around your family. Your parents would talk about the trips the family would take and I have incorporated those trates in our family's life. When our family is together in a distant land I always think of your family. We are all connected in so many different ways.

Please take care of your Dad. He will need your help more than he will let you know.

Your Mother was a great Christian and is in a better place now free from pain. Always remember this as you weep from sorrow.

If you need someone to talk to please email or give me a call.

You are a friend and I will help as much as I can.

Love

Lynn##imported-begin##Lynn Merrill##imported-end##

July 22, 2007 at 05:04 PM



“ My thoughts are with all of your family and may the joyous times you all shared together be your fondest memories. Judy was always my very favorite and closest cousin. We spent many happy hours together growing up. We would put on little talent shows for our families, dancing and singing in goofy little skits. We had fun together. She was my older, and much admired "lovely lady" cousin. Love to all of you,
Marge###imported-begin###Marjorie Cook Martin###imported-end##

July 18, 2007 at 09:02 PM



“ To Paul Watkins and Family,
I didn't know Judy very well but in the short time I did know and meet her it was purely a pleasure. Attending the funeral today I was reminded of the old preacher who said about a saintly person, "The only comfort comes in thinking about how nice it was to know them, and how nice it was to brush against goodness for a season." I know that's how many felt about Judy. For a few short minutes in my life, I was able to "brush against goodness" when I met Judy and it left an impression on me. Our prayers are with you.

Jeff & Nanette Shultz###imported-begin###Jeff Shultz###imported-end##

July 17, 2007 at 03:57 PM



“ *Dr. watkins and Family*

My deepest sympathy. Judy was a wonderful person just in the short time I spent with her. My prayers go out to you and your family.

Love always,

Sheila Good

& Valley Hospice##imported-begin##Sheila Good##imported-end##

July 17, 2007 at 02:27 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Keith, Angela, and KC##imported-begin##Angela Morland##imported-end##*

July 17, 2007 at 01:41 PM



“ *You are all in our thoughts and prayers. Judy was a sweet and kind lady and will be missed by us all, but heaven is sweeter now. God keep!##imported-begin##Larry and Jana Parks##imported-end##*

July 17, 2007 at 10:05 AM



“ *Susan and family, we are truly sorry to hear about your mother our thoughts and prayers are with your during this difficult time.##imported-begin##Art & Sindy Arámbula##imported-end##*

July 16, 2007 at 12:52 PM



“ Sending you our love and our sympathy, Paul, and family. We wish it were possible to attend Judy's service. We will miss her.##imported-begin##Walden and Ruth Peterson##imported-end##

July 15, 2007 at 09:49 PM



“ Dr. Paul and family, I was sorry hear of the passing of Judy. May the love of God surround you during this time of sorrow. You're in my thoughts and prayers.##imported-begin##Harold Bradley##imported-end##

July 15, 2007 at 09:36 PM



“ I share your sorrow at the loss of Judy. I pray that God will strengthen your faith to see you through this time of grief. With love and best wishes, Victor##imported-begin##Victor Childers##imported-end##

July 15, 2007 at 08:19 PM



“ Paul and Family,

I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I remember playing bridge with Judy in the early 70's. Our children were all small then and it seems impossible to me that so many years have gone by....so fast.

My thoughts and prayers are with you during this very difficult time.##imported-begin##Judy Weaver##imported-end##

July 15, 2007 at 02:50 PM



“ *Dr. Paul Watkins and family; We are truly sorry to hear about Judy. She was always so pleasant to visit with and we thought so much of her. We know you will miss so much. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all. We love you. Coy and Shirley Turner##imported-begin##shirley turner##imported-end##*

July 15, 2007 at 12:03 PM