



## Susan "Sue" Marie Behmke

January 31, 1947 - April 12, 2015

Susan "Sue" Behmke, age 68 of Waldorf, MD

Sue was born in Hagerstown, MD and lived the past 30 years in Waldorf, MD.

Sue graduated from Wagner College with a degree in nursing in 1969. She served as a Captain in the United States Army as a nurse. She received her Master of Science from University of Delaware in 1981. In 1984, she joined the College of Southern Maryland as a nursing professor. During her career in nursing, she co-authored multiple teaching manuals. She worked with the National League of Nursing performing onsite accreditation visits for numerous colleges across the country. After 30 years of teaching, she retired from the College of Southern Maryland. Sue's favorite place in the world was the Outer Banks in North Carolina where she visited every year for a family vacation. Sue also loved a good cup of coffee while watching her birds. She will be well remembered for her kind heart, humor and "odes".

Sue is preceded in death by her parents Harold and Pauline Elizabeth Burns Nickell and one sister Joanna Jakober.

Sue is survived by her brother John Nickell (wife Debbie), her two sons, Andrew and Michael (partner Kevin), daughter Elizabeth, and granddaughter Kenley.

Friends received on Saturday, April 18, 2015 from 1PM until time of Funeral Service at 2PM at the Raymond Funeral Service Chapel, 5635 Washington Avenue, La Plata, MD 20646.

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations to the Susan N. Behmke Legacy Scholarship Fund, Susan N. Behmke Legacy Scholarship Fund, c/o CSM Foundation, PO Box 910, LaPlata, MD 20646 .

# Previous Events

## Memorial Gathering

APR 18. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Raymond Funeral Service  
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## Memorial Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ *Susan "Sue" Marie Behmke*

October 08, 2023 at 10:45 PM



“ *Susan "Sue" Marie Behmke*

October 04, 2023 at 03:12 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Susan "Sue" Marie Behmke.*



April 17, 2015 at 12:12 PM



“ *Beth, I am so sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. If there is anything I can do please call me. Your Mother certainly was a very special person in her life. She helped so many people. You and your family are in my prayers.*

**joan phifer** - April 17, 2015 at 11:14 AM

VP

“ Valerie & Gregg, Amy & family, Mr. & Mrs. Price purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Susan "Sue" Marie Behmke.



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**Valerie & Gregg, Amy & family, Mr. & Mrs. Price** - April 17, 2015 at 08:17 AM

GG

“ 20+ years ago, Sue and a bunch of us spent many an evening playing bridge...we all had such fun! Our paths crossed again and again throughout the years. The last time I saw Sue was at Tangles beauty salon in La Plata. She shared with me her diagnosis of Lou Gehrig's Disease. I say good bye to a unique and wonderful person. May you find peace and happiness. Gail Gromen

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**Gail Gromen** - April 16, 2015 at 07:20 PM

AV

“ So many nurses Sue instructed and taught. She brought meaning and life to her teaching through her many stories. She loved her profession and her students. How fortunate we were to have her.  
*RIP*  
Anne Brooke Vachalek

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**Anne Brooke Vachalek** - April 16, 2015 at 06:25 PM

MB

“ Sue was a ver special person by more importantly she was a Great Nurse with lots of wisdom and good humor. She truly cared about her Nursing Students and Patients. She helped me become the Nurse I am today. She will always be remembered as the "funny Nursing Instructor " Sue will be Greatly missed. God has taken a Beautiful Angel. RIP Sue. Melinda Bingham, RN. Class of 2004.

melinda bingham - April 16, 2015 at 11:53 AM

VI

“ Virginia(Ginny)Bown lit a candle in memory of Susan "Sue" Marie Behmke



Virginia(Ginny)Bown - April 15, 2015 at 08:36 PM

JS

“ Sue will be missed by all who knew her. She had a wit which I will never forget. Her poems at the Nursing Pinnings were from the heart - she deeply cared for "her" students. She loved her family and friends. My heart goes out to them all. God must be in need of a great nurse up there! You fought a good fight, may you now rest in peace in His arms.

Joe Shannon - April 15, 2015 at 07:28 PM

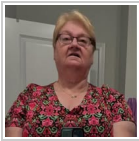
SH

“ Sue was my professor at CSM for OB. She was just a wonderful person and had numerous stories from her nursing career to share with the class, which only helped reinforce those nursing concepts. She touched so many student lives' and will be deeply missed. May you rest in peace.

*Sharon Hutchins, CSM nursing class of 2007*

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**Sharon Hutchins** - April 15, 2015 at 06:51 PM



“ Sue was my instructor in my 1986-1988 nursing class. She really made learning fun and I will never forget her and all of the other instructors that I had. One day sticks out in my mind with Sue, I didn't want to leave after clinicals before the patient I was following completed his surgery. Sue volunteered to stay with me until the surgery was over. I never forgot her for that, she knew that it was a very good learning experience for me, so she gave me her time after a long day at the hospital. RIP Sue you will never know how many people's lives you have touched in such a special way.

*Debbie Colleran(Hong) Class of 1988*



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**Deborah Hewitt Hong Colleran** - April 15, 2015 at 06:28 PM

MH

“ I'm so sorry to hear of the loss of Sue. She was a wonderful colleague. She contributed much to CSM. I know she loved her family very much.

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**Mary Hunt** - April 15, 2015 at 05:18 PM

SB

“ Sue was an amazing woman with such a passion to care for others. There are an unlimited number of nurses she helped to shape their career and by doing so she touched an unlimited number of patients. Because of her and other instructors I became an educator myself passing on the knowledge Sue shared with me. She will be missed. Praying for the family.

*Sommer RN*

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**sommer bulka** - April 15, 2015 at 04:55 PM

CS

“ Sue was my favorite clinical instructor during nursing school. Because of her passion for OB I became an OB nurse. I will always remember her passion for nursing, and for her students. Very sorry to hear of this loss. She was a definite asset to CSM.

*Carrie M. Sager, RN. Class of 2005*

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**carrie sager** - April 15, 2015 at 02:19 PM

SH

“ Sending my condolences to the family. She was one of my favorite nursing instructors. She will be missed.



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**shonda** - April 15, 2015 at 08:03 AM

RB

“ *She was one of my favorite nursing instructors ... I've been a nurse for 15 years because of this beautiful woman ... Her knowledge and care will be carried on forever in the hands of so many nurses that she taught. That's an amazing legacy! I will never forget her "crotched uterus model". Thank you Sue for all that you've given me and may you rest in peace.*

*Rebecca Calhoun Burch*

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**Rebecca Calhoun Burch** - April 15, 2015 at 08:01 AM

JO

“ *Dear Bill, So sorry for your loss my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time/*

*Jim O'Leary*

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**Jim OLeary** - April 14, 2015 at 08:43 PM

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Jakober

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**Dave Jakober** - April 14, 2015 at 06:34 PM

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Jakober

“ *Sense of humor, pot pie, caring and protective, crabbies, that laugh...say Hi to my Mom.*

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**Dave Jakober** - April 14, 2015 at 06:28 PM

MN

“ Sue brought her students to my unit during their OB rotation. Her sense of humor was wicked and spot on. I was at something in the nursing building at CSM and she and several others put on a skit of sorts that incorporated things the students had said and done over the years that had me crying it was so hysterical, but again so imaginably true and believable. I'll never forget that dry humor. Mary Newman

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**Mary Newman** - April 14, 2015 at 05:28 PM

DR

“ I had the honor of having Sue as an instructor in nursing school. She was such a caring person and had such a special way of teaching you never wanted to leave her class. She will be missed. May the Lord wrap His arms around her family and give them His peace and strength.

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**Deborah Russell** - April 14, 2015 at 05:20 PM

SN

“ Wonderful Nursing Instructor from my days at CCCC, I will always remember her words from LPN summer during an OB lesson: around 1999, "A negative stress test in not good." I'm sorry her family is facing this loss.

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**Sarah Nix** - April 14, 2015 at 05:19 PM

RS

“ The nursing world has lost a great instructor. Thanks for helping pave my path to this amazing profession. Renee sicheri 1996 graduate

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**renee sicheri** - April 14, 2015 at 04:52 PM



“ I was a nursing nursing student of Sue's. I remember her as being a very warm hearted, caring, patient professor/nurse. May God bless and keep her as she RIP. U will be remembered by many.

Amy Parke - April 14, 2015 at 04:47 PM



“ I too was a Nursing Student of Sue. She was very caring and really made you feel like she understood what you were going through. She was always sharing her wealth of knowledge with all she will be truly missed!

Veronica Freeman - April 14, 2015 at 03:55 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Sue was one of my favorite nursing instructors many years ago (1990). I remember that she was working the day my oldest son was born and she made sure I was doing ok. I loved her sense of humor. God bless her soul. Sending prayers.

Sincerely ,  
Kendra Hutchins-Johnson

Kendra Hutchins-Johnson - April 14, 2015 at 02:42 PM



“ I graduated from the nursing program in 1999 back when it was still Charles County Community College. Sue was one of my favorite instructors. Her stories always made me laugh. She make sure we worked hard and knew what we needed to know, but she was also kind and loving toward us.

Heather Hejduk - April 14, 2015 at 12:50 PM

CD

“ Sue was a treasured friend and colleague I could always rely on her wry sense of humor and her positive outlook. She even helped me write test questions when I was student teaching at CSM. She educated many nurses during her 30 years at CSM so her legacy of caring lives on.

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**Cathy Delligatti** - April 14, 2015 at 12:40 PM

ST

“ Sue is a well loved and respected friend. I am a better nurse and person because of her. She was able to pass her knowledge on in a way that made the learner feel enriched and enlightened. She is one of my favorite instructors of all time, and am proud to consider her a friend. I will always remember her kindness and sensitivity. After I was already a nurse, and the family member of a patient in the delivery room, she brought her students in to watch the doctor perform a rarely seen procedure on my wife. I won't forget that day, and how kind she was in my time of need. It has been a pleasure over the last several years being her friend on Facebook. We had many conversations about nursing, and life in general. I will be thinking about her family in the coming days and weeks, and hope they can find some comfort in the fact that she lived a wonderful life and touched many people, including myself. Thanks Sue! You will be sorely missed by many!

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**Steve Trice** - April 14, 2015 at 09:35 AM

JO

“ Share a memory of Susan "Sue" Marie Behmke or send condolences to the family.

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**Jeanette Owens** - April 14, 2015 at 09:23 AM

RY

“ Beth, Mike & Andy, I will never forget your mom as she and I worked with each for many years and shared many memories together. I'm going to miss her in many ways but most importantly as my friend. She shared so much wisdom and insight with me and I'm forever grateful. My condolences to you all and will continue to hold you in prayer. God bless.

*Robin Young*

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**Robin Young** - April 14, 2015 at 06:44 AM

KR

“ Andrew and Family:

*I am so sorry for your loss. I hope you are all comforted by the fact that she knew she was well loved and that you did the best you could to care for her while she was ill. My hope is that you have great memories and that God will give you peace, wisdom and understanding.*

*We are promised something far greater than what we enjoy in this life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only son, that whosoever believeth in him should not die but have life everlasting."*  
*John 3:16*

*You are in my thoughts and prayers.*

*kelley Rogers*

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**Kelley Rogers** - April 13, 2015 at 07:22 PM

SR

“ *Our Deepest sympathy goes out to the family and friends of Susan. Remember we are only passing through this life to get to a far better place "Heaven". God has prepared a place in Heaven for us.*

*Andrew we hold you and your family in our prayers.*

*Sharon & Bib Roberts and Family*

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**Sharon Roberts** - April 13, 2015 at 06:06 PM

GM

“ *Andrew & Family - I am so sorry for your loss. If there is anything I can do please let me know... You are in my thoughts and prayers*

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**Gina Maybee** - April 13, 2015 at 05:28 PM