



Susan Dawn Chapman

December 1, 1958 - January 27, 2026

Susan Dawn Chapman, age 67, of Arab, Alabama, passed away early in the morning on January 27, 2026. Susan was born to John Quarles, Jr. and Margaret Quarles in Sacramento, CA on December 1, 1958. Susan is survived by her husband of 42 years, Edmund “Ed” Chapman and their son, Alex Chapman, age 21. Both Ed and Alex reside in Arab Alabama. Alex has a daughter, Meredith, age 3 years and four months. Meredith was the “light” in Susan’s life. Susan is also survived by two biological sisters, Jenifer Quarles of Sacramento, CA and Karen Morrison of Lihue, Hawaii. Susan’s mother also adopted three children, her mother’s biological great-grandchildren. This makes the three children also siblings of Susan. They are Monica Quarles of Sacramento, CA, Michael Quarles of Sacramento, CA and Abreyanna Quarles, of Sacramento, CA. She is survived by several nieces and nephews as well all of whom reside in California.

Susan has a degree from American River College in Sacramento, CA. She was a cosmetologist for many years in Sacramento before going to work for Sacramento County from which she retired prior to moving to Alabama with her spouse and their son. Susan is a paralegal as well and worked in the courts in Alabama until she retired. Since then she has continued to work in Arab mostly at a golf course where Ed also works but also for a period of time at a local grocery store.

Susan is known as a good friend and a loving spouse, mother and grandmother. She has been involved in her church for years and is known as

a staple in the church even throughout the periods of time in which she had medical issues happening.

Susan is known for her cooking and her love for creating beauty in her home. She enjoyed having parties and providing the food and decorations for these events as well as helping out at church events. She had a knack for bringing joy to others and celebrating others in these ways.

Another passion of Susan's was her love and care for animals. As a child and youth, she would frequently bring home a stray cat or dog. She has always had one or both of these animals in her care throughout her adult life.

Susan will be greatly missed by her family and friends as well as her church community. She will be laid to rest at Arab Memorial Cemetery at 2:00pm.

There will be no funeral service per Susan's request. Arab Heritage Memorial Chapel assisting the family with arrangements,

Cemetery Details

Arab Memorial Cemetery

565 South Main Street
Arab, AL 35016

Previous Events

Graveside Committal Service

FEB 18. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

AH

“ I knew Susan when we worked at Beautiful People Hairstyling Salon in Sacramento when we were in our teens!!! Ed was my former husbands best friend since high school.I introduced them at least 42 years ago because I knew they were destined to be together💕 Susan left this earth way too early however God must of needed her more🙏 M heart will forever be etched with such loving fond memories of our life shared together💕 Heaven gained a beautiful soul! Knowing that Ed , Alex, Meredith will forever carry her legacy with memories that touched many many people here on this earth💕 Ed , all will be in my prayers as you grieve the loss of Susan . May the Lord wrap His loving arms around you so tight that it brings you comfort and Peace the days ahead of you🙏 I love you my forever friend and you and your family will be in my daily prayers🙏 God Bess you all

Angi 💕 Steve Howanietz - February 18 at 08:34 PM

“ Susan will be missed! She loves Jesus Christ and praise God she is dancing with Him right now in Heaven where there is no pain and no more suffering. Where Susan is there is only joy, everlasting love and peace! Susan will be missed. She was and still is an inspiration to everyone that met her. She was resilient in her long fight against cancer yet she never gave up for she is a mighty warrior and woman of God whose earthly presence will be missed. But we will meet again! Thank You God!!!

In our church sits an empty seat that Susan once filled. In her quiet demeanor sat a woman tiny in stature yet...she was and still is a great woman of amazing faith, hope and she will be greatly missed until we meet her again one day in Heaven!

Susan left a huge imprint on this earth to and on many people but none more precious and beautiful than with her little granddaughter Meredith who too is the same expression of Gods most wonderful love!

Little Meredith shows the same spirit of light and love of not only Jesus Christ but of her grandma who she greatly misses.

I spoke with Meredith in church this past Sunday as she approached me looking up with her big brown eyes and most effervescent smile saying, “I miss my grandma!”

As I struggled to hold back the floodgate of tears I said to her, “May I give you a hug? I’m a grandma too and I would love to hug you for her.” Little Meredith said, “Yes!” So I hugged her tightly as I turned to walked away in tears. Then Meredith ran off to great others with such enthusiasm that...is...Meredith!

I know how much she loves and misses her grandma!

I am also extremely confident that Meredith will reflect the same strength, dignity, love, resilience and amazing love for Jesus Christ and for all people...that Susan did and was and will be so proud of!

For it was Susan who was instrumental in pouring love into little Meredith her granddaughter so we as her church family promise to love on Meredith as Susan would want us to do as she grows up into a fine young woman...until one day we all meet again.

Susan we thank God for placing you in our lives and we know...God knows all your prayers are continuing to do mighty and powerful

*things even though you are in Heaven today.
With much love and prayers for you and your entire family please know this that even though you are not here with us physically you are here with us in spirit and know this too that in my little prayer box I promise to always uphold your family in prayer until we meet again 🙌❤️🙌*

Martha K - February 18 at 10:32 AM

EB

“ *Faithful!*

Susan Chapman was always faithful and dependable. She fought medical battles four different time and each time she was always faithful to her church and to her Lord!

I am proud to say I have served she and her family as their minister for 11 years.

Ernie Brown - February 17 at 11:03 PM

KJ

“ *Susan...such a beautiful soul—an amazing wife and mother, a loving Granma, and a faithful friend. She fought with strength and grace. What an encouragement it was to see her at church every Sunday, even when she wasn't feeling her best. Most importantly, she wanted Meredith to know and love Jesus. Everything Susan did was marked by such class. Her love will live on in every heart she touched.*

Kamesha Jones - February 17 at 10:06 PM

KB

“ Susan you were such an inspiration to me, no matter what you were going through physically you made sure you and baby Meredith were in church on Sunday. I loved looking back and seeing your sweet face. You were always one of the first to help us cook for the church dinners. Just this last Christmas dinner, you cooked the turkey. With tears in my eyes, I will miss you tremendously. You have reached your Heavenly destination we all long for. What a Heavenly reunion we will have one day soon. So thankful Alex was in Kamesha's 5th grade classroom and our paths crossed. Nothing is a coincidence, God knew we needed you in our lives. Much love for our sweet Susan, Katie Brown

Katie Brown - February 17 at 09:20 PM