



Soreya 'Suri' M. Suleiman

July 1, 1933 - September 25, 2020

Soreya 'Suri' Marco Suleiman, age 87, of Kearney, passed away, Friday, September 25, 2020 at Mount Carmel Home Keens Memorial. Graveside services will be 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, September 30th, 2020 at the Kearney Cemetery with Father Christopher Morris officiating. A Trisagion Prayer service will be held 7:00 p.m., Tuesday, September 29, 2020 at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral Home. Memorials are suggested to St. George Orthodox Church. To Plant Memorial Trees in memory, please visit our Sympathy Store.

Tributes or messages of condolence can be left at www.hlmkfuneral.com. Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and Cremation Services in Kearney is in charge of arrangements.

Suri was born July 1, 1933 in Kirkuk, Iraq to Marco and Marganita (Ishow) Suleiman. She attended Kirkuk Assyrian School. She assisted her sister, Glades, in sewing elaborate baptismal and bridal gowns as well as vestments for priests and altar boys and sewed altar cloths and church curtains. Suri was also well known for her beautiful knitting and crocheting.

For more than 20 years, Suri and Glades championed many fundraising events for the Assyrian Fun Fair in Kirkuk to benefit widows, needy families and to provide scholarships to students.

She was honored to have served the Patriarch Mar Shimon and Patriarch Mar Dinkha when they visited St. George in Kirkuk. She was also an excellent cook and baker and was often in charge of the Communion bread. She was

an amazing gardener, growing many fruit trees from seeds. She also was multilingual and spoke Aramaic (Assyrian), English, Armenian, Turkish and Arabic.

Suri will always be remembered by her younger siblings for being their second Mother, who always bathed them and took excellent care of them. She will also be remembered by her family and friends for her constant love, kindnesses and powerful prayers. Suri worked in faithful service to St. George, The Virgin Mary and St. James. She was a devoted member of St. George Orthodox Church and the St. George Ladies Society in Kirkuk and also in Kearney.

Survivors include her brother, William M. Suleiman and his wife, Kathy, of Kearney; sisters Beauty Piccirilli and her husband, Daniel; Caroline Brennan; Dally Xenou; Wilhalmina Shmouel and her husband, Raphael; and Olga Steckel; and 17 nephews and nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Glades; brother, Bob 'Baba'; and sister, Jennifer.

Previous Events

Trisagion Prayer Service

SEP **29**. 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl
2421 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 237-2259
<https://www.hlmkfuneral.com>

Graveside Service

SEP **30**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Kearney Cemetery
4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Tribute Wall



“ *Soreya 'Suri' M. Suleiman*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *Kathy: I am very sorry to read about Suri's passing. I enjoyed her & seeing you & chatting when you came to Angels Way. I remember many times seeing her talking on the phone to family & it was obvious how much she enjoyed those calls. My sympathy to you! God Bless! Marci Benson (Shirley's daughter)*

Marci Benson - October 04, 2020 at 08:57 PM



“ *Doc and Kathy, We are sorry for the loss of your mother/mother-in-law and will keep you both in our prayers! Margaret & Kevin Weides*

MARGARET WEIDES - September 29, 2020 at 10:19 PM



“ *Suri, an angel among us, pure as purity, intelligent, truthful, heart of gold. May you rest in the Virgin Mary's care, may St. George carry you to the gates of heaven, may the Lord Jesus usher you into comfort and peace in eternal life. Rest In Peace blessed soul. Enjoy the company you deserved all along. Thank you my sweet angel.*

Caroline Suleiman Brennan - September 29, 2020 at 07:59 PM



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Rylein Shimoel - September 29, 2020 at 07:33 PM



“ *Suri I was blessed to have the best sister anyone could ask for I will never forget all the time that you were there for me, You are gone but you will forever be in my heart. Rest in peace my angel.*



Rylein Shimoel - September 29, 2020 at 07:25 PM



“ *William & Kathy*
I had the opportunity to get to know both of you and on occasion visit your home. On those visits I met "the sisters"who lived with you.
I marveled how you depended on the sisters and how the sisters depended on you.
Your loving & caring example impressed me as what family is and should be.
I know the loss is difficult for your family but know what a wonderful life Suri had.

steve - September 28, 2020 at 08:13 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Soreya 'Suri' M. Suleiman.



September 27, 2020 at 02:00 PM



“ William and Kathy,
Thinking of you and your family as you grieve the passing of your sister. What a long and dedicated life of service she had. She was blessed with many wonderful gifts and used them to bless others. May God's peace and love surround you all.
Barb Naber

Barb Naber - September 26, 2020 at 11:56 AM



“ Heaven gained an angel today, I was fortunate to have an amazing aunt like Suri she was the kindest loving woman i ever met she always put her family first you will be greatly missed Suri but never forgotten your loss break my heart but i know now i have an angel who will watch over for me from heaven. May you rest in peace in god's loving arms



Rylein Shimoel - September 25, 2020 at 09:37 PM