



Bonnie Sue Southern

August 21, 1946 - November 15, 2019

Bonnie Sue Southern, 73, passed away Friday, November 15th, 2019, at her home in Mead, OK. She was born on August 21, 1946 in Sardis, OK, to Claude & Helen Newell. She married the love of her life, Donald Southern, on January 21, 1972.

Sue led an extraordinary life. During her lifetime she established the Southern School of Beauty, in Durant, OK as well as opening the Best Little Hair House in Town, & The Executive Suite, where she taught Ms. Mary everything she knew. She also ran Sue J's Café, and then opened A Touch of Class beauty salon, in Calera, OK.

In between running her own businesses, Sue became the Oklahoma State Board Inspector of Cosmetology for 2 years. Then, she went on to become the top Regional Manager for SmartStyle® Hair Salons by Regis, where she retired in 2013.

After retiring, Sue kept herself busy by opening The Honk-N-Holler Food Shack in Hartshorne, OK, for a few years, until her and Don decided to move back to Bryan County to their dream home on the lake.

Sue is survived by her two sons: John Doshier of Platter, OK, and Kenneth Southern of Calera, OK. Four daughters: Donna Wilcox of Mena, AR, Natalie

Green of McAlester, OK, Kelly Sanders and husband Alvin of Durant, OK, and Holley Maxey and husband Charles of Mead, OK. Fourteen grandchildren: Megan Doshier, Sydney Bowers, Hunter Draffin, Kalyann Southern, Baleigh Southern, Josh Wilcox, Piney Wilcox, Annie Lance, Sarah Blair, Stephanie Graves, Alex Cravens, Shelby Barrett, Kylie Townsend, and Tiffany Williams. Nineteen great grandchildren, and one great-great granddaughter. Brother James Allen and wife Vickie, sister Dorothy Hummingbird, and numerous nieces and nephews.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband Don Southern, and brothers Tommy and Johnny Newell.

The family would like to thank the numerous friends, family, and neighbors for their loving thoughts and prayers expressed to Sue & the family.

A Celebration of Life gathering will be held at the home of Don & Sue Southern, sometime in the coming Spring. Date and time will soon be announced.

Tribute Wall



“ *Bonnie Sue Southern*

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“ *Sorry for yalls lost. Sue was a very special lady. She was classy full of spunk and fire but was the sweetest soul. I had the honor of getting my hair done by her several times. She made me feel so beautiful for prom and my wedding. She always had me laughing till I cried while sitting in her chair. I haven't ran into her for many many years but I often thought of her with a smile on my face. She was one of them people you meet and will never forget.*

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