



Mrs. Loraine Davis Sutton

March 27, 1947 - January 15, 2020

Martha Loraine Davis Sutton

Martha Loraine Davis Sutton departed this life of January 15, 2020 in Shelbyville, TN. Funeral services will be held on Monday, January 20, 2020 at 10:00 AM at Shelbyville First United Methodist Church. Visitation will be on Sunday, January 19, 2020 from 3:00 PM until 7:00 PM at First United Methodist Church.

Loraine was born in Shelbyville, TN on March 27, 1947 to the late A. Glover Davis Jr. and Martha Martin Davis. She graduated from Bell Buckle High School in 1965. Loraine then went to Middle Tennessee State University and graduated with a B. S. Degree in Home Economics.

During her life Loraine used her degree to support her family, friends, and community. She started her career doing extension work for the University of Tennessee in Wayne County and then moved to Warren County to continue that work. In 1982 she moved back to Shelbyville and helped her parents expand the single greenhouse into a thriving greenhouse business that is still operational. As an active member of the community, Loraine was active in local 4-H activities, Tennessee Walking Horse shows, Relay for Life, Bedford Beautiful, the local Chamber of Commerce, past president and active board member of the Tennessee Flower Growers, Tennessee Horticulture Alliance, a board director of the PickTN Conference Board, Tennessee Certified Nursery

Professional, a Master Gardner, and First United Methodist Church. She was sought after by many local clubs and organizations to speak about horticulture and flower arranging. She hosted many hands-on classes for people within the community.

Lorraine had many varied interests. She was an avid fisherwoman who loved to fish in a pond, river, or ocean. She loved to show dairy cows and sponsored the Lorraine Davis Foster Award. She was a wonderful cook and enjoyed doing crafts, especially needlework. Lorraine's sense of adventure called her to explore many places in this world, and her outgoing personality drew many people to her. She loved animals, especially her cats.

Lorraine and James L. Sutton were married on July 30, 1981. He preceded her in death after 36 years of marriage. Lorraine is survived by a son Eric (Julia) Sutton, grandchildren, Alex (Willi) Culver and Bryce Sutton; her three brothers, Martin (Jo) Davis, Robert (Dulcie) Davis, and Richard (Kim) Davis. She also leaves behind nine nephews and nieces: Samuel Davis, Chere Quick, Julie Davis, Grant Davis, Joseph Davis, Craig (Kendra) Davis, Rebecca Davis, Danece Davis, and Josh Davis, seven great nephews and great nieces and four great-great nephews. She also leaves behind many beloved cousins and close friends.

Lorraine would be honored with donations to the local cancer society, Bedford County 4H, or Relay for Life.

Feldhaus Memorial Chapel is assisting the family during this time of loss.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **19**. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

First United Methodist Church
122 Public Square N
Shelbyville, TN 37160
(931) 684-2535

church service

JAN **20**. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

JE

“ Remembering Mrs Loraine and her gorgeous spirit.... Prayers to her family! 🙏🙏🙏



Joy Eley - January 18, 2020 at 12:43 PM

MB

“ Miss Loraine will truly be missed. As newcomers to the community, she Helped us in so many ways with our gardening. We love you all and pray for your comfort.

Marie @ Seasons Bed and Breakfast, Bell Buckle.

Marie Pope of Seasons Bed and Breakfast - January 17, 2020 at 06:07 PM



“ Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Mrs. Loraine Davis Sutton.



January 17, 2020 at 10:13 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Mrs. Loraine Davis Sutton.



January 17, 2020 at 10:10 AM



“ *Mrs. Loraine Thank you for awesome Spirit.*

Beverly Hewitt - January 16, 2020 at 09:29 PM



“ *She was always so kind to me for all the times I brought a magazine with a picture of a certain plant that I wanted and couldn't find. We always had a new cat story to share with each other. Loraine, GOD called you home too soon. Rest In Peace.*
Cathy Murray McCart

Cathy Murray McCart - January 16, 2020 at 08:46 PM



“ *Magnificent Life Spray was purchased for the family of Mrs. Loraine Davis Sutton.*



January 16, 2020 at 06:26 PM



“ *Kimberly Harvey lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Loraine Davis Sutton*



Kimberly Harvey - January 16, 2020 at 05:11 PM

 Emilie
Burke

“ *She was the sweetest lady. I was very fond of her. I think of her everytime I look at the weeping willows around my place. GOD rest her soul. 😭😭😭 I was glad to know her.*

Emilie Burke - January 16, 2020 at 02:08 PM

RT

“ *When I think of Lorraine, I remember all of the times that she was available to help me, The Celebration staff, directors and events with her beautiful plants and design creativity. She was always smiling and happy! She was my friend and me and my family are so saddened by her passing. Ron Thomas & Family.*

Ron Thomas - January 16, 2020 at 09:42 AM

DT

“ *Shocked and saddened to hear of Loraine's death. I will miss her expertise in gardening. Prayers to the family.
Larry and Donnie Kay Throneberry
Candlewood neighbors*

Donnie K Throneberry - January 15, 2020 at 04:49 PM

MM

“ *Lorraine was always so kind and helpful to me! I will miss her and her great talents immensely!
With deepest condolences,
Michele Pylant Mullaney*



michele mullaney - January 15, 2020 at 04:29 PM

JC

So saddened about Lorraine's death, such a loss to her family and our community. She was a great neighbor and friend for more than 50 years.

Janice Carlton

Janice Carlton - January 16, 2020 at 09:45 AM

HS

Lorraine loved her work and approached it with God honoring zeal. She epitomizes for me the essence of servanthood. Ever helpful to others. Dawn and I will miss her. Our yard is a constant reminder of her enduring gifts and talents.

One day in March after a long warm spell we ran out there to get plants. She smiled and told us to come back in May.

Hatold Segroves - January 17, 2020 at 10:04 AM

JD

Lorraine was my friend and I will miss her personally and professionally. She was a fantastic businesswoman and she knew more about flowers and plants than anyone I've ever known. She will be missed in our community.

Jill Derickson - January 17, 2020 at 06:23 PM



Lorraine had a beautiful personality. I will miss talking to her. Prayers for the family

Vivian Waggoner - January 19, 2020 at 06:01 PM

JB

Many great memories with Lorraine. She will be missed. Her family is in my prayers..

Jill Bell - January 19, 2020 at 06:53 PM

JS

So sad to hear about Lorraine. She was such a dear person and will be missed tremendously by this community. My prayers and condolences to her family.

Jim Staiger - January 19, 2020 at 10:08 PM

SP

I never met Mrs. Lorraine. yet felt like she was a dear friend. A friend of mine used to talk about Lorraine and her fabulous green house, and how much she loved going there. Never knowing what to get my friend for her birthday I called Lorraine one day explaining who i wanted to get a gift for, yet she didn't really like flowers or plants for the house she would kill. Lorraine asked if she could make a suggestion and I said please. She suggested a gift certificate so Ms Ann Hawkins could come in in the spring and pick out things for her gardens. I just spoke to Mrs Lorraine a couple weeks ago to place my order and she was so excited almost made one think she was the one getting the gift As she said how happy she was to get this to Ann. and looked forward to her coming in when Spring came and placing her order, Some how placing those orders won't be the same.

Ann & I often speak of when we get to Heaven sitting in a garden of beautiful flowers, while dangling out toes in a pretty brook. I guess God chose you to go first so you could find the perfect spot for us gals to share all God's blessing in a beautiful spot.

Selma Pancake Murfreesboro, TN

selma pancake - January 20, 2020 at 12:43 PM

PD

So saddened to hear if Lorraines passing. Besides buying corn and plants,we had the best time getting together to make hypertuffa pots. Good times.

Patty Davenport - January 24, 2020 at 08:13 AM