



Susan Peden

June 29, 1962 - February 5, 2026

Susan Renée Peden, 63, of Bolivar, Missouri, passed away on February 5, 2026, at her home after a long and courageous battle with cancer.

Susan was born in Joplin, Missouri, on June 29, 1962, to Jim and Glynda Nobles. She was a 1980 graduate of Bolivar High School and spent the majority of her life in Bolivar, where she gave back to her community both personally and professionally.

Susan was a dedicated employee and respected leader at Ozark Area Community Action Corporation for many years, where she worked tirelessly to help those in need. Service to others was not just her job—it was who she was.

Susan loved life deeply and intentionally. She cherished making happy memories with her family, especially her grandchildren, who were the light of her life. Her “happy place” was Gulf Shores, Alabama, where the beach brought her peace and joy. She loved cycling, spending time with her dogs, soaking up the sunshine by the ocean, and being surrounded by those she loved most.

Susan was fiercely loyal, endlessly loving, and made everyone feel special. She adored her dogs and cared for them with the same devotion she showed

her family. She shared life fully with her husband, Bobby, who was truly the love of her life; they did everything together.

Susan is survived by her husband, Bobby Peden, of Bolivar; her son, Tanner, and daughter-in-law, Kinzi McMillen, of Bolivar; her beloved grandchildren, Blakely McMillen and Beckett McMillen; her sisters, Kim Stanek of Bolivar, and Nikki (Andy) Lukavich of Bentonville, Arkansas; and many nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her bonus family: Zak and Amanda Sutton of Green Forest, Arkansas; Dustin and Samantha Badley of Green Forest, Arkansas; and grandchildren Gunner and Parker Sutton, and Karter and Knoxtton Badley.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jim and Glynda Nobles, and her brother, James Nobles.

Susan loved with her whole heart, lived with purpose, and leaves behind a legacy of kindness, strength, and deep devotion to family and community.

A memorial service will be held at 5:00 PM on Wednesday, February 11, 2026, at Butler Funeral Home in Bolivar.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB 11. 5:00 PM (CT)

Butler Funeral Home - Bolivar
407 E. Broadway
Bolivar, MO 65613
(417) 326-5233
<https://butlerfuneralhome.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ Josh and Kelsey Lusk planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Susan Peden.

Josh and Kelsey Lusk - February 11 at 02:17 PM



“ Josh and Kelsey Lusk purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Susan Peden.



Josh and Kelsey Lusk - February 11 at 02:17 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Susan Peden.



February 10 at 04:03 PM



“ The Lukavich, Laumann & Brown families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Susan Peden.

The Lukavich, Laumann & Brown families - February 10 at 03:29 PM

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“ *The Lukavich, Laumann & Brown families purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Susan Peden.*



The Lukavich, Laumann & Brown families - February 10 at 03:29 PM

SF

“ *Shelly Howell and Family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Susan Peden.*

Shelly Howell and Family - February 09 at 05:04 PM

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“ *Shelly Howell and Family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Susan Peden.*



Shelly Howell and Family - February 09 at 05:04 PM

AS

“ *All of us at BBC Electrical Services planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Susan Peden.*

All of us at BBC Electrical Services - February 09 at 02:18 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Susan Peden.



February 09 at 02:18 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Susan Peden.



February 09 at 09:54 AM



“ Dan and Candy Lawson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Susan Peden.

Dan and Candy Lawson - February 07 at 08:33 PM



“ Dan and Candy Lawson purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Susan Peden.



Dan and Candy Lawson - February 07 at 08:33 PM

MN

“ I am Susan,s Aunt Marcia. I was in Joplin babysitting Kim and James when Susan was born. I deeply loved them all. We never understand why God takes the best, kindest and the good. That is what Susan will be remembered. I am so glad that she fell in love with Bobby. He too is the best and together they made a great team, loving each other fiercely. Bobby you took the best care of Susan and I can't find the words to say how much I think of you. Prayers for comfort for the whole family. I love you all❤️❤️

Marcia Nida - February 07 at 11:39 AM

ME

“ I worked with Susan at OACAC and she was such a joy to know and work with. Im trully saddened by her passing . Im keeping the family in my thoughts.

Melannie - February 06 at 09:39 PM

OA

“ OACAC purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Susan Peden.



OACAC - February 06 at 04:48 PM