



Mary Ellen "Susie" Hoferer

April 11, 1931 - February 23, 2016

Mary Ellen "Susie" Hoferer, 84, Topeka, died Tuesday afternoon, February 23, 2016, at the House at Midland Care.

Susie was born April 11, 1931, in Topeka, Kansas, to James Thomas and Catherine Marie Durkin Lardner. She attended Holy Name Grade School and graduated from Hayden High School in 1949. Susie studied business at Washburn University, going on to work as a buyer for Crosby Brothers Department Store. In 1971, she joined her brothers, Jim and Charles, as a partner in the family business, J.T. Lardner Cut Stone, founded by their father in 1903. She remained with the business until her retirement in 2011.

Susie was a charter member of Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church, where she was an active member of the PTA and the Women's Club and had been a member of the Daughters of Isabella since 1950. She was also a member and former officer of the West Hills Garden Club, and remained active for many years in the Hayden High School community as an alumna and a parent of two graduates.

After an introduction through mutual friends, Susie married George Francis "Fritz" Hoferer, a long-time engineer with the firm of Finney and Turnipseed, on Sept. 24, 1958, in Topeka, Kansas. They enjoyed over 42 years together until his death on July 29th, 2001.

Also preceding her in death were her parents, her sister, Catherine "Kitty" Newton, and her brothers, James Lardner, Charles "Corky" Lardner, and Joseph "Buzzy" Lardner.

Susie is survived by her two daughters, Michelle Ann Hoferer, of Topeka, Kansas, and Christine Hoferer Adams (Gary), of Prairie Village, Kansas; her two grandchildren, Sheldon Adams, of Morgantown, West Virginia, and Ashton Adams, of Washington, D.C.; and her many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

A rosary will be prayed at 5 p.m. Thursday at Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Road, Topeka KS 66614, followed by visitation until 7 p.m.

Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Friday, February 26th, at Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church. Burial will be in Mount Calvary Cemetery.

Memorial contributions may be made to the J.T. & Catherine Lardner Fund at the Topeka Community Foundation, sent in care of the funeral home.

Cemetery Details

Mount Calvary Cemetery

801 SW Westchester Rd
Topeka, KS 66606

Previous Events

Rosary

FEB 25. 5:00 PM (CT)

Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home
2801 SW Urish Road
Topeka, KS 66614
(785) 272-7888
info@kevinbrennanfamily.com

Visitation

FEB 25. 5:20 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

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Mass of Christian Burial

FEB **26**. 10:00 AM (CT)

Most Pure Heart of Mary Church
3601 SW 17th Street
Topeka, KS 66604

Tribute Wall



“ *Mary Ellen "Susie" Hoferer*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Feb 27, 2016*

To The Family of Susie Hoferer,

I was sorry to read that Susie had past away. Words say very little at a time like this, but knowing people care and thinking of you maybe helps. I hope so. Susie always had a smile, and I enjoyed visiting with her whenever I would see her. I know you have wonderful memories of her. Please accept my deepest sympathy.

Sincerely,

Jackie Campbell Petersen (former neighbor of Susie's in West Hills)

Jackie Campbell Petersen - February 27, 2016 at 12:11 PM



“ *Chris and Michelle- I am sorry for the loss of your mom. With my dad being a Holy Name boy and just a year behind your mom in school, your family was known well to him. Especially her brothers! I have fond memories of your mom and being welcomed in the house by her when we were younger. There are some people who are just kind souls in all ways- that is how I feel about her. You are both in my thoughts and prayers, Maureen (Smith) Hillis*

Maureen Hillis - February 25, 2016 at 08:02 PM



“ *Garden of Memories was purchased for the family of Mary Ellen "Susie" Hoferer.*



February 25, 2016 at 04:19 PM



“ *Our condolences to the family. May you find strength in the promise of God where he says He will "swallow up death forever". (Isaiah 25:8)*

The Smiths - February 25, 2016 at 12:11 PM



“ *To Michelle, Chris, and all of Susie's family, My thoughts & prayers are with you at this difficult time. Susie was a lovely person and I always enjoyed visiting with her. Kathy (Froelich) Fredette*

Kathy (Froelich) Fredette - February 25, 2016 at 10:21 AM



“ *Scott Koopmeiners purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Mary Ellen "Susie" Hoferer.*



Scott Koopmeiners - February 25, 2016 at 08:47 AM

MF

“ Dear Chris, Michelle, and, family
So sorry to hear about your moms passing. She was a wonderful person. It was always great fun going over to your house and spending time with your mom and dad!
It is hard losing your mom I know! She is always with you, pray often and God will give you strength .
Love you lots Ron and Margie Flax

margie flax - February 25, 2016 at 08:25 AM

CM

“ Michelle,
Sorry to hear about your Mom...she was a lovely lady. Please know my thoughts and prayers are with you during this time.

Cheryl McCrite

Cheryl McCrite - February 25, 2016 at 07:58 AM

MR

“ To Susie and Fritz's family: Please know how much both Susie and Fritz are missed by many. I was fortunate enough to know them when Fritz participated in the Kansas Senior Olympic program here in Topeka and in the National Senior Olympics. They were genuinely nice people.

Marge Rightmeier, former director
Kansas Senior Olympics

Marge Rightmeier - February 25, 2016 at 06:46 AM

PF

“ Pam Beckom family, Charles Cain family, Mark Cain family purchased the Ocean Breeze Spray for the family of Mary Ellen "Susie" Hoferer.



Pam Beckom family, Charles Cain family, Mark Cain family -
February 24, 2016 at 08:54 PM

RJ

“ Susie, my aunt, was a very good lady. She will be missed tremendously by all her family. I offer my sympathy to her family. May her soul Rest In Peace.

Robert and Irina Hoferer, JR.

Robert Hoferer, JR - February 24, 2016 at 12:08 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Mary Ellen "Susie" Hoferer.



February 24, 2016 at 12:02 PM

CC

“ So sorry for your loss Chris and Michelle, My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time! Your Mom was a wonderful person and will be missed by many!

Cindy Roberts Coleman

Cindy Coleman - February 24, 2016 at 11:12 AM

RS

“ Hayden Catholic High School has lost one of its kindest and most gracious alumni and supporters. Our prayers are with the Hofer and Lardner families.

God Bless,
Rick Strecker

Rick Strecker - February 24, 2016 at 09:22 AM

RS

Sorry about the name misspelled, Hoferer.

Rick Strecker - February 24, 2016 at 09:26 AM

PB

“ My Aunt Susie was a wonderful lady, some of my earliest memories are Easter mornings at Fritz & Susie's house on 17th street; a delicious breakfast stuffed down as quick as possible so all of us kids could hunt for eggs in the backyard. She was always friendly and kind. I will miss her luminous smile. Pam Cain Beckom

Pam Cain Beckom - February 23, 2016 at 09:00 PM

EF

“ Eddie, Jeannie, & Dillon Fairchild purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Mary Ellen "Susie" Hoferer.



Eddie, Jeannie, & Dillon Fairchild - February 23, 2016 at 08:26 PM