



## Sue Ann Matthews

November 19, 1958 - September 5, 2023

Sue Ann Matthews, of Hurricane, Utah, passed away September 5, 2023, at the age of 64, after a long battle of MS. She was born on November 19, 1958, in Salt Lake City, Utah, to Gerald Bud Donohue and Mabel Ethel Rigg.

Being a survivor from the first day of her life, Sue was born early, weighing only a little over two pounds. Sue was brought home by her parents to keep her comfortable with the expectation for her to pass away. With a lot of love and a small box nestled next to a wood burning oven she survived. That's who she was, a survivor!

Sue was also a protector to her siblings (Vickie Donohue and Bryant Donohue). She had many black eyes fighting anyone who messed with her or her family. Sue came from very humble beginnings but was a force to be reckoned with. She had a spunky personality and a heart the size of Texas!

Sue could fix anything (including a car). She was a single mom of four for many years and often worked two jobs. Sue would never take a handout (according to her, someone else could always use it more). At the age of 14, she got her first job at Shelia's Fish and Chips and from there she always had a job. In her career, she worked at Petrolane Gas, Hurricane lunchroom, and her last and favorite job was a phlebotomist at the IHC Hurricane Valley Clinic. Sue also served at the St. George LDS Temple.

In October 1973, Sue had her first daughter, Staci Elaine Kroff. Sue met her first husband, Scott Morgan Beams, in 1977, together they had two sons, Daniel Bud Beams and James Bryant Scott Beams. They later divorced and she was single for many years. On November 11, 1990, Sue married Robin Hensen Matthews of Virgin, Utah, she then gained two more sons, Jody Matthews and Coby Matthews. Together they had one daughter, Samantha Matthews Polanco.

Sue was a loving mother, grandmother to 17 grandkids, and great-grandmother to 7 great-grandkids and 3 dogs. She had an amazing relationship with her father in heaven. She will be greatly missed.

Sue is survived by her daughters, Staci Elaine Kroff (Daniel Kroff) of Virgin, Utah, and Smantha Polanco (Josh Polanco) of La Verkin, Utah; her sons, Daniel Bud Beams (Kristi Beams) of Delta, Utah, James Bryant Scott Beams (Kasidee Beams) of Hurricane, Utah, and Colby Matthews (Marja Matthews) of La Verkin, Utah; and her sister Vickie Elaine Donohue.

Sue is preceded in death by her parents, Gerald Bud Donohue and Mabel Ethel Rigg; her husband, Robin Hensen Matthews; her brother, Bryant Donohue; and her sons, Jeremy Donohue and Jody Matthews.

The Funeral Services for Sue will be held on Friday, September 15, 2023, at 11:00 am at the La Verkin LDS Stake Center, located at 70 South 300 West, La Verkin, Utah, 84745. A viewing will be held prior, at 10:00 am. Interment will take place at the Virgin Pioneer Memorial Cemetery, 150 West Street, Virgin, Utah, 84779, after the services.

In lieu of flowers, if you would like to help contribute toward funeral costs you can venmo Staci Kroff @Staci-Kroff

Family and friends are invited to share tributes online at [www.SerenityStG.com](http://www.SerenityStG.com). Arrangements and memorial tree planting by Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah, 435-986-9100.

# Cemetery Details

## Virgin City Cemetery

Virgin, UT

# Previous Events

## Viewing

SEP 15. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (MT)

La Verkin Stake Center  
481 North Main Street  
La Verkin, UT

## Funeral Service

SEP 15. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

La Verkin Stake Center  
481 North Main Street  
La Verkin, UT 84745

## Burial

SEP 15. 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM (MT)

Virgin City Cemetery  
Virgin, UT

# Tribute Wall



“ 1 file added to the album *Funeral Recording*



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**Serenity Funeral Home of Southern Utah** - September 15, 2023 at 03:21 PM

CC

*We were out of town at the time of Sue's funeral and I feel terrible about that would have loved to have been there Danny James and Samantha did a lot of growing up in our house too we love those kids so much they were good friends with our kids it makes me smile right now thinking about them even though it's been years since we've seen them just want all of you to know I just listened to the recording of Sue's funeral what a beautiful caring family all of you are and Stacie and Danny you have no idea how much it means to have you in our lives that was such an emotional service and so beautiful each and every one of you did excellent talking about Sue and yes she did have that beautiful smile I'll never forget it I just think about their reunion she must be having with everyone in heaven also I just want to say all these kids that we knew back then and now they have kids yes what a great legacy and I love the story about the dark-haired girl it was impossible to hold the tears back on listening to this funeral recording I hope all of you can feel some peace how happy all of you made Sue and cherish those memories forever Love from Bob and Carol Clark and Family ❤️ By the way would love to see all of you kids sometime 😊 you're a warm and comforting family all of you ❤️*

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**Carol Clark** - September 16, 2023 at 11:55 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Sue Ann Matthews.*

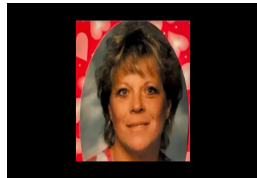


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September 13, 2023 at 11:09 AM



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**Jesse L Brown** - September 10, 2023 at 08:27 PM

JB

“ When I was growing up I really enjoyed going to see my cousins Bryant Vickie and Sue. They were the best of my best cousins on my mother's side. I just love them to death. When Bryant died I was really sad that his life ended so soon. All I had left was Vickie and Sue and I really really like them as cousins. After going on a mission and to college I always look forward to seeing Sue and Vickie. Because Sue was sick quite often, I saw Vickie more than I did her. Whenever I could I would inquire on how they were doing. My sister and I planned a cruise and I was so so excited that Vickie and Sue were going to go with us. So I am just so sad that I was not able to be with her one more time before she passed. It's not going to be easy but I'm gonna get my sister and we're coming down for the funeral. I just can't wait to see Sue's Family and be with them on their day of sadness. I really did love Sue and I really do love Vickie. Sue, I am sad that you are no longer with us but I love the fact that you're back with your brother your father and your mother. Reunion with them be ever so sweet

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**Jesse L Brown** - September 10, 2023 at 07:48 PM



“ Tender Tribute was purchased for the family of Sue Ann Matthews.



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September 08, 2023 at 06:47 PM

SC

“ Sue was amazing at the Hurricane Clinic. While pregnant my daughter Kylee Cox Gerken visited there often. She loved Sue and Sue made her a special baby outfit for the new upcoming little one. Sue was warm and friendly to all and very easy to love. I hope she gave my daughter Kylee a Heavenly hug for me.

Shelley Cox

Shelley Cox - September 08, 2023 at 05:52 PM

RW

“ Our family will always cherish the many wonderful memories of Sue, her parents and her siblings. Though time steers us in different directions, we will never forget and always love her dearly.

Randy Winn - September 08, 2023 at 05:03 PM



“ Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Sue Ann Matthews.



September 08, 2023 at 11:19 AM

JC

“ Sue was the best “vampire” at the Hurricane Valley Clinic. I loved the many stories she told me. Sue was always concerned for my well being. As I would leave the lab to drive home, she would always tell me to be careful. Rest in peace, Sue!  
To Staci, Danny, and family, may you find comfort knowing Sue was loved by so many people.

Jenny Christiansen - September 07, 2023 at 11:26 PM