



Suzanne Amos- Anderson

March 25, 1950 - October 26, 2025

Suzanne Carol Amos-Anderson, age 75 of Valparaiso, passed away October 26, 2025. She was born March 25, 1950, in Chicago, Illinois and spent her Sundays as an adult coaching the Bears through her TV, which all the neighbors could hear, even if the team couldn't. Suzanne was a complicated woman, which given her childhood, was fitting.

Suzanne spent her life working to raise her daughters, often working multiple jobs to make ends meet. Whether working as a security guard, a mechanic on boats, semi-trucks and planes, or managing a restaurant, she always worked hard and expected those around her to do the same. She emphasized those lessons to her children. She settled into being a neurological diagnostician in 1990 and worked at Methodist and Porter Regional until she retired in 2020. Growing up poor with a complete lack of maternal nurturing did not make her cold, rather it made her more willing to be that for other children. Known to her daughters' friends simply as "mom," and later her grandchildren's friends as "Grandma Sue," her house was the revolving door for neighborhood kids who needed a soft place to land, a meal, a hug, or some direction. She wouldn't hesitate to put someone to work or put them in their place—wherever she thought that place should be. Grandma Sue was not known to withhold affection, food, pop, or her opinion- no need to ask.

When she wasn't working to support her family and grandchildren, Suzanne loved to be out in one of her many gardens, making kolaczki, and thrived on a selection of Diet Pepsi, chips, and cookies.

Suzanne spent too few years with her second husband of eight years, George Amos who she cared for lovingly until his death in 2001.

She then cherished twenty years loving and bickering with her husband Arnold L. Anderson. The two were able to enjoy traveling and long drives (enjoyment varied with who was driving), building a home for their family (although always living in separate homes themselves), and occasional skinny dips in the pond, which none of the children ever cared to hear about.

Suzanne cared for Arnie until his passing in 2023.

Preceded in death by both her second and third husband, her beloved sister, Donna Pianto, as well as her parents, Claire and Donald Crozier, her legacy remains the love and support she provided to her own family.

Always a fighter, even when there was no fight necessary, Suzanne battled lung cancer while also taking care of her husband Arnie, and her children.

Giving up her independence proved quite the challenge, but she did accept all the love and support Nicole, Chance and Sydney could provide in her last year of life; however, even in this, she had opinions about how much time they spent, how quickly or slowly they moved, and who should and should not sing. Yet, they had no doubt she loved them completely and they were grateful for the days she was ornery.

The family would like to extend deepest thanks to Dunes Hospice for their patience, care, and insistence that our mother keep her dignity, even when she threatened to fire the nurse or aide for doing their jobs. Suzanne's best friend Kathy Kobialka for keeping us fed and comforted and for the lifetime of friendship.

Suzanne was the knot that held so many strings together for so long. She will be forever missed by her children and grandchildren: Nicole Williams (Kevin), Chance Boney (Grace), Sydney Pennington (Delmar), Jennifer Pennington, Christopher Williams (Scout), Cameron Williams (Katie), Nolan Williams (Felicia) and Luis Williams.

She raised us all to know that when asked if she loved you, "that's a stupid question."

Suzanne was a lifelong Christian, and her faith was important to her. She knew that Christ's message was that of kindness, compassion, and empathy. Honor her by keeping those values close.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations in her name to the Food Bank of Northwest Indiana or Hobart Humane Society. She believed, as stated in Matthew 25:31-46 that, " ... whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Visitation will take place on Wednesday, November 5, 2025, from 10 a.m. until the time of the funeral at 12 p.m. at Burns Funeral Home, 10101 Broadway, Crown Point, Indiana. Pastor Rich Doering of Real-Life Church officiating. A private burial for the family following.

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 5. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Burns Funeral Home & Crematory - Crown Point
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Funeral Service

NOV 5. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry for your loss of my sister.

patricia fulton - November 11, 2025 at 07:45 AM

JR

“ Joni R. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Suzanne Amos-Anderson.

Joni R. - November 05, 2025 at 09:40 AM

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“ Suzanne was one of my closest co workers who became one of my best friends. We became very close and I would spend time with her and Geore. We took our children to the circus when they were in school. She was from the south side of Chi Town and my father lived on the Southside so we got a kick out of laughing and talking about that. Nikki was on crutches when we attended the circus. LOVE to her children and the grandchildren, she spoke about all of you with so much LOVE

SHEILA MILLER - November 03, 2025 at 01:01 PM

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“ The Williams Family purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Suzanne Amos-Anderson.



The Williams Family - November 01, 2025 at 10:51 AM

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