



Suzanne Dancer Sparks

August 18, 1924 - February 16, 2015

Mrs. Suzanne (Sue) Dancer Sparks

Mrs. Suzanne (Sue) Dancer Sparks, 90, of Bartlesville, died at 2:10 A.M. on Monday February 16, 2015 in Bartlesville.

Memorial Services will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Thursday at the St. Luke's Episcopal Church with Fr. T. Lee Stephens officiating. Cremation arrangements are under the direction of the Stumpff Funeral Home.

Suzanne (Sue) Dancer Sparks was born in Dewey, Oklahoma on August 18, 1924, to William J. and Marion R. Dancer. She was graduated from Dewey High School and continued her education at Texas University, and began her teaching career. In 1947 she married Silas F. Sparks, and they made their home in Bartlesville, where Silas was employed by Phillips Petroleum Company. Upon Silas transfer to Denver, Sue continued her education at the University of Denver and received her Master's in English. She taught in the Denver school system until 1963. Upon returning to Bartlesville, Sue then taught English and Spanish in the Bartlesville school system. Some of Sue's most memorable times were taking her students on school trips to Spain and Mexico. She loved traveling to Europe, with friends and sometimes alone. Playing bridge was a great passion, and she enjoyed attending many events with her friends. Sue and Silas had three daughters: Shelley Sparks of

Bartlesville, Terry Robinson, and Holly Sparks of Tucson, Arizona. Also surviving are her granddaughter, Charissa Lewis, and great-granddaughter Rylee, both of Tucson. She also leaves behind many great friends with whom she had fun over the years. Silas preceded Sue in death in 2006. The family wishes to thank the many friends and health providers who supported her in the past few months. She was a long-time member of the St. Luke's Episcopal Church, where she was the first female lay reader, which she continued for 35 years. She relinquished reading in 2006 and scheduling in 2010. Any memorials may be made to a charity of the donor's choice. A memorial services will be held at 11:00 A.M. Thursday at St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

Friends who wish may sign the online guest book and leave condolences at www.stumpff.org.

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Tribute Wall

ML

“ Suzanne was my lifelong friend and also my Freshman English Teacher in Dewey High School the first year she taught. I had the privilege of being a guest in her home for the Dewey High School Reunion in 2013. I am so thankful that we could spend that time together and recall our mutual wonderful memories. She was the best and will be missed by many..

Marjorie Johnson Lowe - April 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I am so sad to hear of Mrs. Sparks' passing. She was one of my favorite teachers, and I credit much of my own career to her wonderful mentorship. Señora Sparks was my high school Spanish instructor, and I was, also, her Spanish classroom aide during my senior year. I went on to major in Spanish, and received a Master of Science degree in Curriculum and Instruction with an emphasis in Secondary Spanish from OSU. I will always remember the kindness, patience, enthusiasm, and wonderful instruction of Señora Sparks. I think of her often as I am teaching my own students. She was a lovely person and will truly be missed.

Jan Fickel Wilson - February 26, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ Terry, so sorry to hear about your mom. I know she had a long life, but it is still really hard when it is your mom. Hope all is well with you. Believe it or not, I am still in Whitefish. Colette

Colette Sauber Gardner - February 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KT

“ Sue will be missed dearly. I had the pleasure of being her caretaker the last few months. I enjoyed all her stories, and the niceties her and I exchanged. She will be missed.

Kelsey Tilyard - February 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

ST

“ Sorry for your loss.

Steve Tierney - February 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ The Staff at Stumpff Funeral Home wishes to express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends. We hope that everyone shares a favorite memory and that this memorial brings the life experiences shared with Suzanne to her family and friends.

Stumpff Funeral Home - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Señora Sparks was truly an inspiring Spanish teacher and I have so many fond memories of being in class, at her home and on trips with her.

May the Lord be close to each family member during this time. My prayers and thoughts are with you.

Sandy Alexander O'Neal-Class of 76 - February 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SJ

“ So sorry for your loss.....my Aunt Sue was a grand and gracious lady. She will always be remembered in my heart.

Sally Dancer Johnson - February 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM