



J. Louetta Sumerwell

November 11, 1946 - May 16, 2026

J. Louetta Sumerwell, age 79, of Springdale, Arkansas passed from this life on Saturday, May 16, 2026, at Northwest Medical Center-Springdale. She was born on November 11, 1946, in Fayetteville, Arkansas the daughter of the late Kenneth and Virginia Walker. Louetta was a 1964 graduate of Springdale High School and attended John Brown University until she married. She worked for the Civil Service in many capacities (Red River Federal Credit Union, Altus AFB-Civil Engineering & Contract Office, Department of Defense Housing Office in Okinawa, Japan, U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Business Office in Fayetteville, AR). Louetta was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Springdale. She enjoyed singing, sewing, cooking, and RVing.

Survivors are her husband of fifty-nine years, Bill Sumerwell of the home, one son, Ken Sumerwell of Springdale, one daughter, Cheli Clark (Cleve) of Rogers, and one grandson, Will Clark of Tontitown.

Funeral services will be held at 2:00 PM on Wednesday, May 20, 2026, at Sisco Funeral Chapel in Springdale. Internment will follow at Bluff Cemetery. Visitation will be held one hour prior to the service.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the John Brown University Scholarship Fund at the following link <https://johnbrownuniversity.givingfuel.co>

m/jbu-online-giving-page. Select the fund: JBU Scholarship Fund (first one listed). A comment box will open and then specify it is “in honor of J. Louetta Sumerwell”. The family has selected Springdale Flower Shop, 479 751 0590 as the flower shop of record.

Online condolences may be left at www.siscofuneral.com

Cemetery Details

Bluff Cemetery

795 N. Shiloh Street
Springdale, AR 72764

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 20. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Sisco Funeral Chapel
705 West Meadow
Springdale, AR 72764
(479) 751-4577
siscofuneralchapel@gmail.com
<https://www.siscofuneral.com>

Funeral Service

MAY 20. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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Jennifer Horton Amberg - May 20 at 04:27 PM

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Jennifer Horton Amberg - May 20 at 04:26 PM

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Louetta prior to being diagnosed allergic to live Christmas trees

Jennifer Horton Amberg - May 20 at 04:25 PM

“ Our mothers were cousins, each having only one daughter, so we were "only children" together. Louetta was pretty close to being an older sister to me. Our mothers talked to each other just about every day on the telephone, comparing parenting notes. I recall hearing the exclamation, "Well, I'll swan", when something impressed one of them. Sure beats a lot of expressions we hear now.

Our moms didn't need Dr. Spock; they were able to bounce ideas off each other. If either of us contracted some ailment, chances were the other had just gotten over or was just beginning to experience symptoms. We were both diagnosed as being allergic to cedar trees about the same time. From that point on, family Christmas decorations included shiny aluminum trees with color wheels, gradually progressing to more realistic green trees with twisty paper or plastic branches.

My mother kept me posted on Louetta's activities when I moved away from home. I will always be grateful for the way Louetta kept an eye on my mother after I moved to Oklahoma.

In the past two years, Louetta frequently emailed great recipes like Veggie Squares. I looked forward to her texts, especially when she attached pictures that she thought I might not have. Because of those texts, I now have a picture of my parents as newlyweds that I had not been aware existed. That picture and the others like it will continue to remind me of what a thoughtful person she was.

Louetta was responsible for turning me into a sports fan, both of us being for Arkansas and for "anybody that was playing Texas". She teased me about having conflicting loyalties when the Razorbacks played OU or OSU. I teased her right back when "my" Oklahoma City Thunder played "her" San Antonio Spurs.

It may be goofy, but I take comfort imagining her in a part of Heaven that has non-allergic cedar trees, sitting under an RV canopy, calling the Hogs or cheering on the Spurs. I'll miss you, Cousin.

Jennifer Horton Amberg - May 20 at 04:24 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of J. Louetta Sumerwell.*



May 19 at 01:51 PM



“ *We were friends for many years. Hard to let go of my wonderful, beautiful friend, but know I will see her again in Heaven. My prayers and love are with the family during this sad time. Love to you all..*

Carol Robinson - May 18 at 06:32 PM



I am Joyce Harris worked wiith her at Altus AFB in Civil Engineering kept in touch thru the years she wil be missed but no more pain God is with us which makes it a little easier to manage the absence but we have good memories.

joiyxw harris - May 21 at 01:43 PM



“ *Steve snd Stacey Willoughby purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of J. Louetta Sumerwell.*



Steve snd Stacey Willoughby - May 18 at 06:27 PM

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“ *She was my best friend. We had so many laughs. She would come to my shop and we would do each other's hair and laugh so much. So many other fond ones. Love her so much*



David Cope - May 18 at 04:04 PM