



# Susan Marie Aimalefoa

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Susan Marie Aimalefoa, 64, of San Diego, passed peacefully on March 21, 2025 embraced by the love of family and friends from coast to coast.

Sue was Jersey Strong—a force of nature whose energy was impossible to ignore. You always knew when she was in the room—her exuberant voice, infectious laughter, and “take no prisoners” attitude made sure of that. She had a way of bringing people together, leaving an indelible mark on family, friends, and coworkers alike. To know Sue was to be loved by her.

She answered to many names—Mom, Sue, Susie, Mama Sue, Grammy, Auntie Sue, Aunt Susie—and in every role, she was deeply cherished. Auntie Susie held a special place in the hearts of her many nieces and nephews, and their children, who adored her as much as she adored them.

Born on January 27, 1961, to loving parents Erwin and Gladys Wirth, Sue grew up in Freehold, New Jersey, where her adventurous spirit was already evident. She later moved to San Diego on a grand adventure, where she met her loving husband, Matt, and together they built a beautiful life, raising their two daughters, Brittany and Kourtney.

Sue lived for her children. Through life’s triumphs and challenges, Sue was always there, lifting them up with unwavering love, support and encouragement. She lovingly guided her daughters as they blossomed into strong, compassionate young ladies.

Professionally, Sue was a dedicated and hardworking woman. She spent many years as a supervisor for McDonald’s, where she was affectionately known as Mama Sue. She had a unique



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ability to inspire and motivate, bringing out the best in those around her while making work fun. More recently, she found her true calling working with disabled and special needs adults at The Home of Guiding Hands. This was her soul work—a job she poured her heart into. The joy she found in seeing her clients thrive was immeasurable, and they, along with her coworkers, adored her. She will be sorely missed.

Sue fought three battles with cancer with relentless strength, courage, and grace. Even in the face of adversity, she lived fully—witnessing her eldest daughter marry the love of her life, welcoming three beautiful grandchildren into the world, see her youngest daughter grow into a strong young woman and doting auntie all while creating countless cherished memories with those she loved along the way.

She was predeceased by her parents, Gladys and Erwin Wirth. She is survived by her devoted husband, Matt; her beloved daughters, Brittany (David) and Kourtney; and her adored grandchildren, Leilani, Finn and Ivy. She also leaves behind her brother, Stephen (Lynn); her sisters, Patricia (Dean) and Barbara (Jerry); and a large, loving extended family. Among them, she shared an especially deep bond with Caitlin, Ryan, Kenny, Maiava, and Radley, who were like children to her and will miss her greatly.

Sue's legacy is one of love, joy, resilience, and boundless generosity. She gave her whole heart to those she loved, and in return, she was treasured beyond measure. Though she is no longer physically with us, her spirit will forever shine in the laughter of her grandchildren, the strength of her daughters, and the hearts of all who were lucky enough to be part of her world.

She will be deeply missed, but never forgotten.

A Memorial Service will be held on May 2 at 1:00 PM at Greenwood Memorial Cemetery. A Celebration of Life will follow immediately after.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation in memory of Sue.




# Events


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## Memorial Service

 **Friday**, May 2, 2025

 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM PT


 **Garden Chapel at Greenwood**  
4300 Imperial Ave., San Diego CA 92113

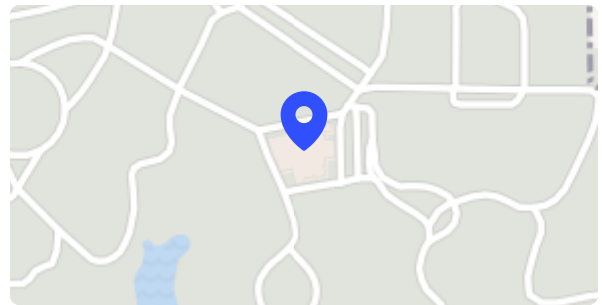


## Reception

 **Friday**, May 2, 2025

 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM PT

 **Greenwood Reflection Hall -Reception Room (inside)**  
4300 imperial ave, San Diego CA 92113





# Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** sent a Pink Tribute Spray to the Aimalefoa family.

May 2 at 7:17 AM



**Anonymous** planted a Memorial Tree in honor of Susan.

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**Maria Rhoan** lit a candle in honor of Susan.

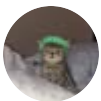
I had the pleasure of working closely with Sue at Hinman House. We had many a day where we traded stories of our beloved grandchildren and children. Sue was a cancer warrior and she expressed that she survived cancer when I first met her during her interview at HGH. I was mesmerized how someone could bounce back after all she had already gone through and wondered if I would be that strong if that happened to me. She was a true lover of life and was so proud of being a wife, Mom and Grandma. Sue was always in supervisor mode with each new staff who came into Hinman House she always was there to help. I miss her and hope her family can remain strong without her. Maria

May 1 at 7:28 PM



**Patricia B.** sent a Gracious Lavender Basket to the Aimalefoa family.

April 25 at 10:51 AM



**Kourtney Marie** lit a candle in honor of Susan.

I keep hearing our songs on the radio, I miss you so much

April 15 at 1:56 PM





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**Margaret A Ragster** lit a candle in honor of Susan.



April 15 at 1:30 PM



**Lauryn Deponte** lit a candle in honor of Susan.

From the very first day we met at Home of Guiding Hands, Sue was like a mother to me. We immediately bonded over how we both moved to San Diego from the east coast. She quickly became a great friend, took me under her wing and understood me. Sue became a source of comfort for me. Someone I could talk to about work, my life and missing my home. Even when we didn't work together, she would keep in touch weekly. I looked forward to our Friday phone calls and life updates. She has taught me so many life lessons and showed us all, how strong a woman can be. My heart goes out to Matt, Britt, Kourt, Julie and Sue's entire family. I miss her immensely and feel so grateful that she was a part of my life ☐☐



April 14 at 11:28 AM



**Art King** lit a candle in honor of Susan.

when I first met aunty sue when i was 9 it seemed like she came from TV very beautiful



April 13 at 9:13 PM



**Esther F Esther** lit a candle in honor of Susan.

My condolences to the family



April 12 at 9:47 AM



**Margaret Fudge** lit a candle in honor of Susan.

We will miss Mama Sue Rest in peace Margaret Ann



April 11 at 4:13 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Susan by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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