



# Sondra "Sonni" K. Beranek

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## **Sondra "Sonni" K. Beranek**

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**S**ondra "Sonni" K. Beranek, 83, of Locust Grove, Virginia peacefully passed away on September 9, 2021 at the Manor Care Health Services-Richmond, Virginia after complications from cancer.

Sondra was born on February 16, 1938 in Cedar Rapids, IA. She is preceded in death by her parents Beatrice Louise Knutson (Wigdahl) and Milo Garlock Knutson. Sondra is survived by her husband John "Jack" R. Beranek, her children Kara L. Wade (Beranek) (Paul) of Richmond, Virginia, and John M. Beranek (Karen M. Park) of Ann Arbor, Michigan, her grandchildren Dawson D. Wade and Wyatt J. Wade and her brother Peter O. Knutson (Janet) of Cape Coral, Florida.

Sonni received a bachelor's degree from the University of Wisconsin at La Crosse in 1960. Upon graduation, she began her career at the Social Security Administration in Chicago, Illinois. She and Jack married on September 2, 1961 and resided in La Crosse, Wisconsin. She continued her career there as a social worker. In 1964 they moved to Bettendorf, Iowa, and made moves to Louisville, Kentucky and then to Woodbridge, Virginia. During this time Sonni focused on raising her children.

In 1979 Sonni resumed her career with the federal government. She had a twenty-year career as a Logistics Officer. At retirement she and Jack settled in Locust Grove, Virginia at Lake of the Woods.

Throughout her life Sonni was an active community volunteer. She was a member and chapter president of the American Association of University Women (AAUW-Davenport, Iowa). She was a passionate crafter and was a member and served as a president of the Dale City Arts and Crafts Club. She was a member and past president of the Lake of the Woods Garden Club. She was talented in flower arrangement and won several Flower Show awards for her creativity.



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Sonni was always cheerful and giving to others. She loved to entertain, welcomed all to her home and was beloved to all who knew her.

A memorial service will be held Friday, September 24, 2021 at 11:00 am at St. Luke's Lutheran Church, 1200 Old Rixeyville Road, Culpeper, VA 22701 with Pastor Jessica Darty officiating.

Interment will follow at Culpeper National Cemetery, 305 US Avenue, Culpeper, VA 22701.

An online tribute wall and guestbook are available at [www.foundandsons.com](http://www.foundandsons.com)

Found and Sons Funeral Chapel of Culpeper is serving the family.



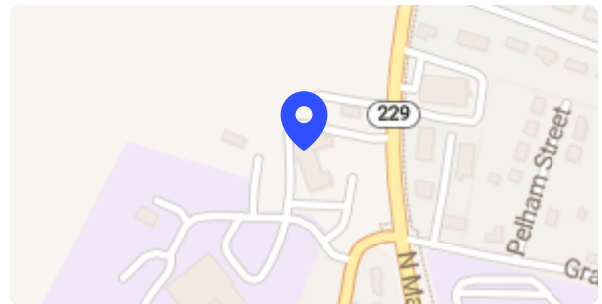
# Events

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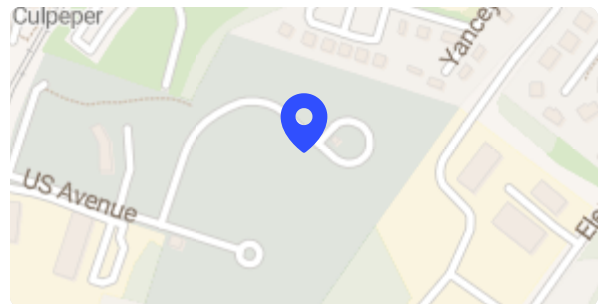
## Memorial Service

- Friday**, September 24, 2021
- 11:00 AM ET
- St. Luke's Lutheran Church**  
1200 Old Rixeyville Road, Culpeper VA 22701



## Interment

- Friday**, September 24, 2021
- 12:00 PM ET
- Culpeper National Cemetery (Old)**  
305 US Avenue, Culpeper VA 22701





## Tribute Wall

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**Clema Bailey** lit a candle in honor of Sondra.



October 17 at 10:06 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Country Basket Blooms to the Beranek family.



September 22 at 8:54 AM



**Nancy King** posted:

I worked with Sonni on many, many Garden Club Christmas decorating adventures at the Lake of the Woods Clubhouse. How Sonni LOVED Christmas! I will always remember her joy at watching the decorations go up and her sadness when we had to take them down. But I never, ever saw Sonni without a huge smile on her face. We will miss you! My condolences to her family.

September 22 at 5:29 AM



**Debbie Hein** September 24 at 5:59 AM

Sonni was so encouraging when I first joined the Garden Club. She was very supportive of the ideas we had to grow our club. She will be missed! My deepest sympathy to her family.



**Mary Sims** posted:

Sonni was a caring gracious lady with a beautiful smile. I will miss working with her on Garden Club projects and also miss our fun Bunco afternoons. I hope treasured memories will help all those who mourn her passing.

September 21 at 1:16 PM



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TG

**Teresa Gregson** posted:

My deepest condolences and prayers go to Sonni's family for they are surely missing her warm heart and gentle spirit. I knew her through the LOW Garden Club and I never remember seeing her without a big smile. She was kind to everyone and supportive to all. I will remember the sage advice she gave me for the rest of my life and pass it on when the appropriate situation arises. She will not be forgotten.

September 21 at 7:33 AM



**Anonymous** sent a Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant to the Beranek family.



September 21 at 3:42 AM

ST

**Sharon Tronek** sent a Sweet Tenderness to the Beranek family.



September 20 at 4:06 PM

JE

**Jim And Sue Ewers** sent a Beautiful Heart Bouquet to the Beranek family.



September 20 at 12:52 PM

PP

**Pete And Pat.** sent a Peaceful White Lilies Basket to the Beranek family.



September 20 at 6:29 AM

BB

**Bill And Ellen Beardsden** posted:

We are so sorry to hear of the passing of our friend Sonni. She was always a beautiful caring person. Our prayers now are for peace for all the family. Bill and Ellen Bearden

September 20 at 3:31 AM



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**Debbie Christie** posted:

My heartfelt condolences to you Jack and family. Sonni will be sorely missed at our functions. She could always be count on to bring a smile to your face when you saw her and never let on if she was having a bad day. I will miss her for sure.

September 19 at 1:09 PM



**Dennis G** posted:

I was so sorry to hear about Sonni's illness and subsequent passing. Though I never worked directly with her, we were both in Logistics/Facilities and we knew each other since I started there in 1988. She was fun, funny, and a delight to be around. My sincere condolences to her family. My thoughts and prayers are with you.Dennis Gautreau

September 19 at 11:31 AM



**The Mmmppga Members** sent a Crystal Cross Bouquet to the Beranek family.



September 18 at 5:03 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Basket of Memories to the Beranek family.



September 18 at 1:25 PM



**Anonymous** sent a Sunny Memories to the Beranek family.



September 18 at 11:09 AM



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**Charles Rudrud Linda** posted:

We were very sad to hear that Sonni had died. She was a wonderful woman. I worked with her at the Municipal swimming pool. We had a lot of fun. Thoughts and prayers are with you all during this sad time. Linda (Vaaler) Rudrud and Chico Rudrud.

September 18 at 5:04 AM



**Joyce Hartwick** September 22 at 10:57 AM

I'm so sorry to learn of Sonni's passing, she was a kind and loving woman and we enjoyed her company at our events. My sincere sympathies go out to Jack and their family. Rest in peace, lovely lady. Joyce Hartwick



# Memories only last if you share them

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



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