



Suzanne Hamblett

June 25, 1941 - December 24, 2025

Portsmouth - Suzanne “Suzie” Stevens Hamblett passed away peacefully on December 24, 2025, surrounded by her family. She was born on June 25, 1941, in Nashua, New Hampshire.

Raised in Nashua, Suzie was the eldest of four children of Jean Hamilton Stevens and John B.

Stevens. Her summers were spent in Ocean Point, Maine, where she enjoyed and created traditions and experiences that continue to this day.

She attended Nashua High School and later transferred to the Walnut Hill School in Natick, Massachusetts, graduating in 1959, forming lasting friendships. After high school, she attended Centenary College in New Jersey.

Suzie married Peter Hamblett on June 25, 1960. They shared 65 years of marriage and raised four children— Andy, Jenifer, Leslie, and John. She lived in Portsmouth, New Hampshire, and previously in Rye and Manchester, New Hampshire. Summers in Ocean Point remained an

important part of her life. She loved spending time on the ocean going out on a picnic with family and friends or an evening cocktail cruise. What she most enjoyed was the hustle and bustle of a full house or hosting anyone who came up the driveway and sat on her porch for a quick visit.

This past Fourth of July, Suzie and Pete served as co-grand marshals of the Ocean Point Horribles Day Parade, which was celebrated by her entire family.

Suzie began a career in real estate and worked for many years with Tate and Foss. She was always active in her community, serving on many boards, including but not limited to the Portsmouth Music Hall, Greater Seacoast United Way, New Hampshire Public Television, Wilson Chapel in Ocean Point and the YWCA of Manchester. She served on the Board of Managers and was a member of the National Society of the Colonial Dames of America and the Moffatt Ladd House. Suzie was 1st Vice President of the Piscataqua Garden Club and chaired many committees and was awarded for 30 years of service by the club. Suzie loved flowers and floral arranging so much that she studied and became an Accredited Floral Design Judge for the Garden Clubs of America and judged various flower shows throughout the east coast. Suzie was also an accomplished needlepointer, making numerous pillows and ornaments that adorned her home and her children's homes.

Pete and Suzie welcomed anyone who stopped by, always with bowls of themed M&M's, Swedish Fish, and her well-known chocolate chip cookies.

She was her children's and grandchildren's biggest fan, traveling up and down the East Coast to attend their sporting events, always with a bag of "gunchers" to share afterward. She and Pete had an ongoing backgammon competition and always had a Yahtzee game ready to be played with anyone who sat at their kitchen table.

Suzie is survived by her husband, Peter Hamblett; her four children and their spouses— Andy and Meagan Hamblett, Jenifer and Scott Parker, Leslie and DJ Gamache, and John and Barb Hamblett; and her thirteen grandchildren who affectionately called her Sooz: Jack, Devon, Peter, Ellie, Phoebe, Grace, Lincoln, Willy, Charlie, Helen, Johnny, Christopher, and Silas. She is also survived by her sister, Holly Hornor, and numerous nieces and nephews, grandnieces and grandnephews, and a wide circle of friends who will forever carry her laughter, her stories, and her spirit in their hearts.

She was predeceased by her parents; her sister, Carolyn Stevens Tew; and her brother, John B. Stevens Jr.

A celebration of Suzie's life will be held on January 10th at 10:30 a.m. at South Church, Portsmouth, New Hampshire. To honor Sooz, guests are encouraged to wear a pop of color. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to a charity of one's choosing.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JAN **10**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (ET)

South Church Unitarian Universalist Church
292 State Street
Portsmouth, NH 03801
(603) 436-4762

Tribute Wall

BY

“ I was so sorry to hear about the passing of Suzie. She was a wonderful neighbor to all of us in Ocean Point! Always a beautiful smile and ready to chat whenever you saw her. She will be greatly missed this summer. Prayers and best wishes to her family, such a tragic loss.

Barb Yahn - January 27 at 05:01 PM

JP

“ Dear Pete and family, I am so very sorry to learn of Suzie's passing -- a vibrant, welcoming, loving soul. Sending along my deepest sympathies as you grieve a life well lived. May her memory be a blessing, Janet

Janet Prince - January 13 at 08:59 PM

CI

“ Hi Hamlinz sorry about Susie it's been a long time since we've all been together I know growing up with your kids and skiing at Waterville Valley was great and going to camp Huckins with Jennifer was also great again sorry for your loss and thank you for being great friends with my parents Cindy Dewitt

Cindy - January 12 at 07:13 PM

KS

“ To Pete and Family- Elaine and I were saddened to learn of Suzie's passing. It has been many years since our time as neighbors on Straws Point but we wanted you to know we are thinking of you and send our sympathies to you. Kurt and Elaine Swenson

Kurt Swenson - January 12 at 09:54 AM

CA

“ Jen & Family ~ Thinking of you all, throughout this time of remembrance for your Mom. Suzie was a fun, skilled golfer and enjoyed league play. May her memory be eternal.

Cathy - January 11 at 11:43 AM

CD

“ Cathy Doney lit a candle in memory of Suzanne Hamblett



Cathy Doney - January 11 at 11:39 AM

KM

“ Pete and Susie have been our neighbors since we moved to Portsmouth over a decade ago. I remember our early days here when their grandkids tumbled out during the holidays to sled down our shared backyard, laughing, chattering and bringing such enjoyment to our often too quiet neck of the woods. In the summer months we could see Pete driving his convertible slowly around the complex with kids sitting on the back, parade-style. We were so sorry to hear of Susie's illness and passing. Susie and Pete raised a beautiful, caring family who surrounded them both 24/7 these past few months and that tells us so much about what kind of mom, grandmother, sister, friend she was. A lot of love there. So sorry for the loss of this amazing woman. She will be missed.

Kimberly Meuse - January 11 at 10:32 AM



“ *Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Suzanne Hamblett.*



January 09 at 03:40 PM



“ *Lynne Wise Smith planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Suzanne Hamblett.*

Lynne Wise Smith - January 09 at 03:40 PM



“ *Love, Doug, Maria, Sam & Luca planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Suzanne Hamblett.*

Love, Doug, Maria, Sam & Luca - January 09 at 03:39 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Suzanne Hamblett.*



January 09 at 03:39 PM



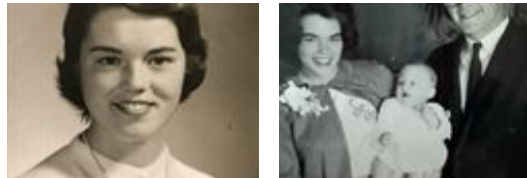
“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Suzanne Hamblett.*



January 09 at 09:34 AM



“ *2 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - January 09 at 08:51 AM



“ *I am so saddened with the loss of my favorite aunt, Suzie Stevens Hamblett. Such wonderful memories with her at Rye Beach as well as at their home in Portsmouth. She always had her magic smile with her vibrant voice and beautiful smiling eyes. I am so grateful for the memories we shared so many years ago! With love and hugs to Pete and all my cousins 🤗💕 Sue Hylen, Bainbridge Island, WA*

Susan Hylen - January 08 at 07:24 PM



“ 290 files added to the album LifeTributes



Remick & Gendron Funeral Home - January 08 at 09:05 AM



“ Always loved to see my fellow Realtor Suzie. Her genuine smile and happy go lucky attitude always impressed me. I like the way she called me "Cuz" even though we weren't related. She will be deeply missed.

Paul Hamblett

Paul Hamblett - January 07 at 02:05 PM



“ Ginny K. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Suzanne Hamblett.

Ginny K. - January 07 at 09:48 AM



“ Dave and Sue Kern purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Suzanne Hamblett.



Dave and Sue Kern - January 07 at 08:01 AM

LS

“ I met Susie, or more accurately, she met me at the Boothbay Region YMCA pool. I've only known her for a few years but it was a treat to look forward to her smiling face and stories that came from her experiences as well as her heart. Such a strong, approachable, loving person.

Jean Slayton

Linda-Jean Slayton - January 06 at 06:03 PM

CH

“ We have known Suzie and Pete for years. Whenever you saw Suzie, be prepared you will have at least a 30 minute conversation. Suzie knew everyone and shared stories with everyone!! We love you Suzie. We will miss you.

Cynthia Harvell - January 05 at 07:47 AM

MM

“ I will always cherish the time I spent with this amazing woman. She was so funny and so kind and she always wanted to hear all about your life, the good and the not so good. Every summer we had many a chuckle and it will absolutely not be the same without you there. Your life, legacy and love for everyone was and always will be so special to so many of us. Thanks Sooz for all the fun, and all the laughs. Your always going to be in my heart. Melissa

Melissa Meister - January 04 at 09:10 PM

SG

“ Suzie (and Pete) are remarkable humans whose integrity was inspiring. I will always be grateful for their support as a staff person at South Church and the many ways they showered us all with their values of love, kindness, good humor and generosity. Rest well Suzie, your legacy is alive! ~Sandra Greenfield

Sandra Greenfield - January 04 at 02:09 PM

AB

“ Suzie Q! I loved all of our family adventures. We had to Ocean point, Kaw, Island, Waterville, and Vermont. Your endless love and support for your family, and all of your friends felt like you were a mother to all of us. I will miss your authentic, caring, and warm heart. I'll never forget the letters you wrote me when I was away for school and what it meant to me to have that relationship with you... you are already missed ❤️

Andy Bigelow - January 03 at 06:17 PM

JW

“ Suzie was a wonderful, funny, kind woman. I was blessed and fortunate to meet her at the "Y" pool. She had an interest and curiosity about so many things. Our love of puzzles (wooden ones for me), recipes (peanutbutter bars), flowers (her judging), and life drew us into conversations and laughter after pool class. She was one beautiful, elegant, and classy woman. She will be missed.

Joanne M. Ward - January 03 at 10:35 AM

MS

“ Susie and Pete are defining people in my life. We rented one of the family beach houses at Straw’s Point for our wedding and they generously offered their house next door for “the girls” to get ready. Susie was always bubbly and warm whenever we’d see each other, always asking after our children and my work. I thought for sure her energizer bunny batteries would have her outliving us all. Peaceful rest to you Suzue and much love to Pete, Andy, Meghan, and all the Hamblett clan. ❤️

Maria Sillari - January 02 at 03:10 PM

SS

I had the pleasure of knowing Susie in the late 90’s and early 2000’s when she and Pete were very active with United Way. Susie was loyal, curious and funny as heck. She loved her community and her extended family and her son Andy married our Campaign Director at the time Meghan! Pete served on the UW board so I always saw and enjoyed Susie at all the United Way events. Susie was a powerhouse and I know how much she loved her community and family! She will be missed but remembered by all! Sue Suter

Sue Suter - January 02 at 05:55 PM

CA

“ I am so saddened by Suzanne's passing. We met at the Y in Portsmouth...Once we discovered our upbringing in Nashua, our conversations started. . I used to eat berries off the bushes at her husband’s house which was around the corner from where I lived. We also found our years in Nashua and Manchester we were only blocks away. She loved chopped liver , gold jewelry, and bathing suits that could withstand the chemicals in the pools. She was always easy to talk with and found connections with so many at the Y. She will be remembered by all who have been lucky to have her in our lives. Carolyn Pastor L'Italien

CarolynL'Italien - January 02 at 09:49 AM

LM

“ Our sincere condolences to Peter and the Hamblett family. Your neighbors, Don Brabant and Lennie Mullaney.

Lennie Mullaney - January 02 at 06:47 AM

BF

“ Brandenburg and Kozek Families planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Suzanne Hamblett.

Brandenburg and Kozek Families - January 01 at 02:04 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Suzanne Hamblett.



January 01 at 02:04 PM

EC

“ I first met Suzi when she and the family moved in across the street from my parents. I loved having such a fun family as neighbors and we developed a lifelong friendship. I laugh when I think of all the crazy times but one of my funniest memories was when she got my mother to let her into my house before we returned from our honeymoon so she could short sheet our bed. We always had lots of laughs and we're going to miss her.

Ellie Cochran - January 01 at 08:27 AM

SR

“ Susie and Chris Reaney planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Suzanne Hamblett.

Susie and Chris Reaney - December 31, 2025 at 04:15 PM

SR

“ Susie and Chris Reaney purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Suzanne Hamblett.



Susie and Chris Reaney - December 31, 2025 at 04:15 PM

TS

“ The Surprenants purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Suzanne Hamblett.



The Surprenants - December 31, 2025 at 03:18 PM