



Suzanne Murphy

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Suzanne (Harrison) Murphy was born November 7th, 1943 in San Francisco, CA to Tommy Harrison and Frances (West) Harrison. She attended Poly High in Long Beach, CA and graduated from Long Beach State University with a degree in Education. She married her high school sweetheart, Lawrence (Tim) Murphy June 12th, 1965 in Kodiak Alaska, due to Tim's assignment in Kodiak with the Navy.

As a career Naval officer's wife, she fully embraced the lifestyle, spending 20 years moving around the world living in Alaska, Hawaii, Taiwan, Virginia, Italy, Germany, Japan, Panama, and San Diego. Of all the places she lived, Italy held a special place in her heart, where she came to love the food, culture and people.

Suzanne was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and a dedicated schoolteacher. She was fully invested as a school teacher and devoted all her time and energy to her young students. She eventually became a mentor teacher and helped guide, coach, and develop other teachers entering the profession.

Suzanne had a passion for interior decorating and took great care in designing and decorating the different homes the family had over the years. She loved reading, spending time with family, and cooking. She was considered a true gourmet chef by friends and family.

Suzanne is survived by her husband of 59 years, Lawrence Murphy, her sons Mark and Tim Murphy, her daughter-in-law Jane (Chang) Murphy, her granddaughters Alyssa and Sophia Murphy, Star Bozkir and her sister, Debbie (Harrison) Johnson.

Visitation and reception will be held at Clairemont Mortuary Chapel Tuesday, April 29th 4:00 - 8:00 pm.

Burial Service to be held at Miramar National Cemetery Wednesday, April 30th, 10:15 - 10:45 am. A lunch reception will follow at the Rancho Bernardo Inn at 12:00 noon.



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In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Warren Walker School. Suzanne taught at this school for several years and it is an institution she cares about deeply.

<https://www.givecampus.com/qm5ebs> Suzanne's Tribute Page can be found here:

<https://www.clairemontmortuary.com/obituaries/suzanne-murphy-2>

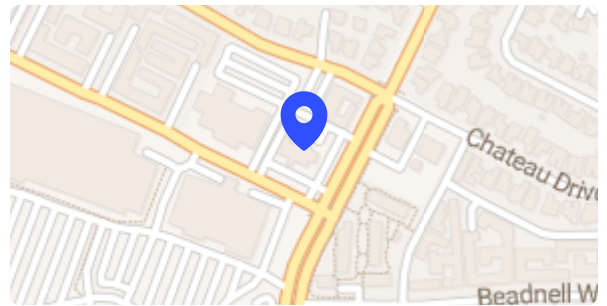


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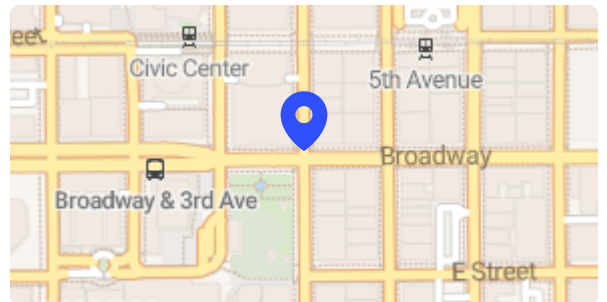
Visitation and Reception

- Tuesday**, April 29, 2025
- 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM PT
- Clairemont Mortuary Chapel**
4266 Mt. Abernathy Ave, San Diego CA 92117



Burial Service

- Wednesday**, April 30, 2025
- 10:15 AM - 10:45 AM PT
- Miramar National Cemetery**
San Diego CA



Cemetery Details

- Miramar National Cemetery**
5795 Nobel Drive, San Diego, CA 92122 CA





Tribute Wall

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Michelle Moran shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Mrs. Murphy was the most engaging 5th grade teacher. My friends and I have so many wonderful memories of her class, including this oral book report assignment. Mrs. Murphy encouraged us to dress up after reading a biography of our choosing. She was a wonderful educator. Soft spoken, serious, but she knew what would make us erupt with laughter- which is what made us hang on her every word. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family. Sincerely, Allison (purple), Michelle (red) and Megan (glasses)



July 12 at 8:26 PM



Kathie Miller posted:

I met Suzi when she came to teach at the school my son was attending. In truth, I was apprehensive of her at first as she was a very intelligent, well poised and beautiful woman. It did not take long, however, for her to become a wonderful and greatly admired friend. During her time at that school, I was given the opportunity to be her teacher's aide, and to tell the truth I loved that year very much! We laughed, ate chocolate, and I must admit I learned a lot from being in her classroom. I also had never met anyone who could wear red so well. My family and I grew so very fond of her and Tim. Even after she left that school we kept in touch, and I still have the beautiful and funny cards she sent me. The ones with the impeccable handwriting and lovely notes. God brought Suzi into my life to be a forever friend. Suzi is still my dear dear friend, but I will have to wait till I see her in heaven to continue our friendship in person. I miss her greatly.

May 2 at 6:18 PM



Jane Murphy shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

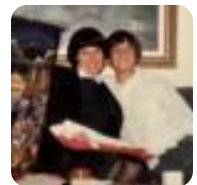
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Mark Murphy shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

Love you Mom!

April 20 at 2:11 PM





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Jane Murphy shared a photo to the **Tribute Wall** album.

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