

Susan Eileen (McCabe) Fox was born in Storm Lake, IA, to John T. and Maxine E. (Erichsen) McCabe, the second of nine children, on September 26, 1946. She grew up on a rented farm north of Storm Lake, IA. While growing up, she was put in charge of her younger brothers and sisters to form a crew to pull weeds out of farm fields. She learned valuable leadership lessons by doing this task. Susan attended public school and graduated in 1964 in Albert City, IA. She then attended Buena Vista College in Storm Lake, where she earned her teaching degree in English and Music. After that, she taught High School English and Music for four years.



Susan then joined the Air Force, graduated from Officers' Training School, was commissioned, and served her first tour at Bergstrom Air Force Base, TX, as a Personnel Officer. She was then transferred to Kelly Air Force Base, TX, to Headquarters Security Service in San Antonio, TX, also as a Personnel Officer. During these years, she earned her master's degree in business from Webster College. Susan was promoted regularly and was a Captain while at Kelly AFB. She met Captain John L. Fox while at Kelly, and they married on November 17, 1979. John had two young sons (Eric and Jarett) from a previous marriage; John and Susan raised the boys to adulthood as they continued their careers in the Air Force.

They moved in succession to Altus AFB, OK, Ramstein Air Base, West Germany, and then to Pentagon, North Virginia. From there, they went to Osan Air Base, South Korea. Son Eric, graduated from Seoul American High School in 1992.

John and Susan returned to the United States at Scott AFB, IL, where Jarett graduated from high school in 1994. They then decided to retire. Susan retired in the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. John and Susan bought a farm near Stockholm, SD, where they have resided since. Susan joined the St. Lawrence Catholic Church shortly after arriving in South Dakota and attended regularly. She also joined the American Legion and its Auxiliary (Post 171), where she maintained membership for more than 30 years.

Susan was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease in 2013, and John became her caregiver. Susan entered assisted living at the Village in Watertown, SD, in May, 2025. She died there on June 12, 2026, from complications of Parkinson's disease. She was 79 years old.

She is survived by her husband, John; two sons: Eric (Kristin) Fox; and Jarett (Sheila) Fox; and five grandchildren: Aiden, Jude, William, Cory, and Hannah Fox. May she rest in peace.

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

Susan Eileen Fox

WHO WAS BORN

September 26, 1946
Storm Lake, Iowa

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME

June 12, 2026
Watertown, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL

Thursday, June 25, 2026 - 10:30 a.m.
St. Lawrence Catholic Church
Milbank, South Dakota

CELEBRANT

Father Tom Hartman

MUSICIANS

Bobbi Meyer, Organist
St. Lawrence Funeral Choir

SPECIAL SONGS

"Be Not Afraid" | "On Eagle's Wings" | "All is Well With My Soul"
"Here I Am, Lord" | "Go in Peace" | "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

CASKET BEARERS

Beloved Family Members

HONORARY CASKET BEARERS

American Legion Stockholm-Strandburg Post #171
American Legion Auxiliary

INTERMENT

Evergreen Cemetery
Stockholm, South Dakota

MILITARY HONORS

American Legion Birch-Miller Post #9
V.F.W. Grant County Post #3486
V.V.A. Northeast SD Chapter #1054
D.A.V. Chapter #19
Sons of American Legion Post #9

APPRECIATION

Susan's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the graveside service, please join the family for a time of fellowship and luncheon in the church dining room.

Mundwiler Funeral Home - Milbank, South Dakota

Taps

*Day is done, gone the sun,
from the lakes, from the hills, from the sky;
all is well, safely rest, God is nigh.*

*Fading light, dims the sight,
and a star gems the sky, gleaming bright.
From afar, drawing nigh, falls the night.*

*Thanks and praise, for our days,
'neath the sun, 'neath the stars, 'neath the sky;
as we go, this we know, God is nigh.*

*Sun has set, shadows come,
time has fled, Scouts must go to their beds
always true to the promise that they made.*

*While the light fades from sight,
and the stars gleaming rays softly send,
to thy hands we our souls, Lord, commend.*

Please use this QR Code to view Susan's
online obituary, tribute video, and guestbook.



Celebrating THE LIFE OF



Susan Fox