



## **Susan K Johnson**

70, passed away on May 13, 2016. Born Mar. 9, 1946 in Savannah, GA but raised in St. Petersburg, Susan's grandparents, Daniel P. and Susie Johnson were pioneers of St. Petersburg, settling there in 1900. Susan graduated from St. Petersburg High School ('64) where she excelled in sports and the band and then graduated from Western Carolina University ('68). She was a history teacher in Greensboro, NC and then Randleman, NC until 1977 where she coached girl's basketball and was requested to be the graduating commencement speaker by the class of '77 which was her last year teaching at Randleman. Susan was pleased to say that she taught NASCAR's Kyle Petty and very much appreciated the generosity of Richard and Linda Petty in support of Randleman High School. Moving back to St. Petersburg in 1977, she became a Realtor and then used her teaching experience to become a corporate trainer. She returned again to Pinellas Co. in 2003 and was a substitute teacher for several years at Gulf Middle School in New Port Richey. Susan loved to travel and her highlight trip was in the summer of '76 for the bicentennial when she and her best friend Sandy traveled 15,300 miles, camping from North Carolina, out west, the north-west, mid-west, through many National Parks, up to Canada for the Olympics, then to New England, and back to NC as part of their teacher's recertification. Susan was predeceased by her parents Geo. Kenneth "Ken" and Gertrude Johnson. She is survived by her sister, Kay Dick (Bill) of Seminole, her brother, Dan (Thea) of Holiday, and many cousins, nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, Susan would prefer contributions to CARES, Inc., 12417 Clock Tower Parkway, Hudson, 34667 or Gulfside Hospice, 2061 Collier Pkwy., Land O' Lakes, 34639.