



Sally Uchtman

April 29, 1947 - October 18, 2025

Sally Uchtman, 78, of Oskaloosa, passed away Saturday, October 18, 2025, at the Mahaska Health Hospice Serenity House in Oskaloosa.

Sally Jane Uchtman was born on April 29, 1947, in Lincoln, Nebraska, to Raymond Conrad and Esther Marie (Schmall) Hahn. Born into an artistic family, Sally was creative and artistic from an early age; she was the Art Club President in high school and still cherished works from her early years. She graduated from Lincoln Northeast High School in 1965 and then went to work for State Farm Insurance Company in Lincoln. She met John Uchtman, a university student, in the fall of 1967, and they were married at the University of Nebraska Chapel on June 29, 1968. In August of that year, John accepted a teaching and coaching position at the Oskaloosa High School; fortunately, there was an opening for a secretary to the vice-principal and the athletic director, and Sally was well qualified to fill that role. She was employed at the high school for the remainder of her working career, but later took positions as a teacher's aide and then as a library associate.

Sally was involved with the Mahaska County Humane Society and Stephen's Memorial Animal Shelter since the mid-1970s, holding positions as treasurer and secretary for many years. She and John were also long-time volunteers at the Ecumenical Cupboard. She was active in the church after joining St. Paul Congregational United Church of Christ in 2003. She was also active in the Democratic Party of Mahaska County and was a member of PFLAG.

She had several hobbies over the years, but in 1981, she discovered the

miniature hobby, which was the ultimate hobby for her. She collected, crafted, and sold miniatures throughout the rest of her life and formed a club that met at her home for decades. She was an avid flower gardener and enjoyed reading. Sally and John, for years, collected stamps together, which they both had done before they met. She enjoyed having “Pugs” in her younger years, but fell in love with cats when a stray showed up at their new house in 1978. Sally’s family includes her husband, John, of 57 years; her brother, Robert (Marilyn) Hahn of Lincoln, NE; two brothers-in-law, Jim (Phyllis) Uchtman of Omaha, NE, and Jeff (Lynette) Uchtman of Columbus, NE; and three nieces and two nephews.

In addition to her parents, Sally was preceded in death by an infant sister. Memorial services for Sally will be held at 11 a.m., Thursday, October 23, 2025, at St. Paul Congregational United Church of Christ with Reverend Melissa Sternhagen officiating. A visitation will precede the service from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory has been entrusted with Sally’s final arrangements. Memorials can be made to the Mahaska County Humane Society or the St. Paul Congregational United Church of Christ.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **23**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Paul Congregational United Church of Christ
501 High Ave. East
Oskaloosa, IA 52577

Memorial Service

OCT **23**. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RM

“ Robert Morrison lit a candle in memory of Sally Uchtman



robert morrison - October 23, 2025 at 11:52 PM

SB

“ Sue Jones and Bob purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Sally Uchtman.



Sue Jones and Bob - October 22, 2025 at 06:28 AM

EM

“ Ed Menuis lit a candle in memory of Sally Uchtman



Ed menuis - October 21, 2025 at 05:39 PM

JE

“ Julie Van Englehoven lit a candle in memory of Sally Uchtman



Julie Van Englehoven - October 21, 2025 at 03:48 PM

PH

“ *Langkamp Funeral Chapel & Crematory*
PH
Patti Ryan Hernandez

13 minutes ago

Sally had a heart of gold and was so very kind. So many wonderful memories over the years. So many road trips being the "Touch & Go groupies" and all the subsequent bands thereafter. We have a bond that can't be broken. She will always be remembered with a lot of love. My thoughts, prayers and love are with you, John.

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Patti Ryan Hernandez - October 20, 2025 at 11:53 PM

PH

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Patti Ryan Hernandez - October 20, 2025 at 11:40 PM



“ *Loving Lilies and Roses Bouquet was purchased for the family of Sally Uchtman.*



October 20, 2025 at 10:43 AM

TH

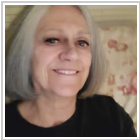
“ We r so sorry for ur loss she was a very nice lady and will greatly be missed my she RIP

Tim "Alien" Hol - October 19, 2025 at 08:49 PM

KS

“ We first met Sally over twenty years ago as dealers at a miniatures show. It was a freezing January weekend that kept customers away, but we had the greatest time talking and laughing together! Over the years we got to talking more and more, especially when it came to our shared love of politics. I will always cherish my memories of Sally. She was one of the most selfless and sweet people I've ever known! Our thoughts are with you, John. She will be deeply missed by all who were lucky to know her!

Kimberly Sricharmorn - October 19, 2025 at 04:59 PM



“ Thinking of you John as you navigate this difficult time. I was blessed with knowing Sally through you, the school, and her love of animals, of course. She was a great gal and will be missed.

Carole Kelderman - October 19, 2025 at 11:34 AM

MB

“ So sorry for your loss



Mary Beason - October 19, 2025 at 10:52 AM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Sally Uchtman.*



October 18, 2025 at 10:55 PM



“ *Coach, my condolences for your loss, your wife Sally.*

John Patik - October 18, 2025 at 09:34 PM



“ *John - So sorry to hear of the passing of your wife. She was such a sweet lady, and I appreciate the many hours she donated to help so many animals, and her dedication to the animal shelter. She had a heart of gold!!*

Tammy Kirby Sparks - October 18, 2025 at 08:17 PM



“ *John, so sorry to hear about Sally. I have many fond Memories of working with her at Oskaloosa High School! My heartfelt thoughts are with you at this time.*
Dorothy Goldsmith Williams

Dottie Goldsmith Williams - October 18, 2025 at 08:07 PM



“ *Very sorry for your loss..*
Eric Arbogast

Eric Arbogast - October 18, 2025 at 08:02 PM

JK

“ So sorry to hear this, John. Ed & Jane Kauzlarich Playle

Jane Kauz - October 18, 2025 at 06:20 PM

PD

“ W we are so sorry for your loss.



Patricia Draughn - October 18, 2025 at 05:55 PM

CA

“ John, So sorry for the loss of your beautiful wife. May she Rest in peace.

Charley & Joan Anderson - October 18, 2025 at 05:48 PM

RW

“ John, so sorry to hear of Sally's passing, speechless and wishing you the best.



Roger & Glenda Weirbach - October 18, 2025 at 05:20 PM

AN

“ A Neighbor lit a candle in memory of Sally Uchtman



a neighbor - October 18, 2025 at 05:13 PM

JL

“ *Judy & Larry Lewis lit a candle in memory of Sally Uchtman*



Judy & Larry Lewis - October 18, 2025 at 05:01 PM

CF

“ *Chuck And Jackie Ferree lit a candle in memory of Sally Uchtman*



Chuck and Jackie Ferree - October 18, 2025 at 04:21 PM

BN

“ *Becky Netten lit a candle in memory of Sally Uchtman*



Becky Netten - October 18, 2025 at 04:16 PM

SH

John iam so sorry for your loss, Sally was a Sweet Lady.

Sherry - October 18, 2025 at 10:15 PM



So sorry for your loss, Sally was such a sweet lady.

Marty Burke - October 19, 2025 at 02:46 PM

JH

So sorry for your loss, John.

Jim and Joyce Hugen - October 20, 2025 at 09:10 PM

AA

My deepest condolences to John, Sally's relatives and her innumerable friends. Her love for and interests in people, animals, miniatures, painting, flowers, fairness, and ghosts were of paramount importance to Sally. Her kind heart and laugh will be missed by me and many others for a long time.

Aideen Vega-Van Auken - October 22, 2025 at 05:52 PM