under the leadership of Bob Scully; you can contact Bob at bob.scully@ieee.org. This committee is the heart of the Society’s efforts to help members with continuing education as well as members learning EMC+SIPI for the first time. This is a big effort and application engineers are desperately needed.

Sue Archambeault

It is with a very heavy heart that I write this memorial article. For anyone who does not already know, my wife of 45 years, Sue Archambeault, lost the war with pancreatic cancer at the end of October 2017 after over six months of chemotherapy.

Sue was well known for attending the EMC Society’s annual symposium for more than 20 years, and for four years was the Companion Chair for various symposiums. She was always darting here-and-there, very active, always smiling and happy, and loved to visit with all her friends, as well as the engineers she knew, while at the symposiums. Sue was able to attend the 2017 IEEE International Symposium on EMC+SIPI in Washington, DC and although weak from treatments, with a scooter, and lots of help from her friends, she greatly enjoyed herself. It was the highlight of her life since being diagnosed.

She was really a person who put everyone else before herself, and would go to battle for anything she saw as wrong. Her smile was contagious and her friendship deeply felt.

Of course, like all of us, she had a life outside the EMC Society. Back home in Four Oaks, North Carolina, she was extremely active as a volunteer at the local hospital. She held many positions within the volunteer organization, including Newsletter Chair and Fund Raising Chair. She worked in the volunteer Gift Shop and even became the buyer for the Gift Shop. She was elected to President of the volunteers, and worked very hard to make sure the volunteer ‘experience’ was good for all the many volunteers!

Sue also loved Disney and all-things-Mickey-Mouse. She usually visited Disney World once a year near Christmas. She always had a great time and completely immersed herself into the total Disney experience!

I met Sue while we were teenagers working at a restaurant in Manchester, New Hampshire in 1970. I was 19 years old and she was 18 years old. I rode a motorcycle and saw her walking to work one day. Therefore, I went over to see if she wanted a ride to work, and she accepted! Of course, you need to know that the girls at this restaurant all wore short skirts for their uniform, and I, as a normal 19 year old male, wanted to get to know any girl in a short skirt who was willing to ride on a motorcycle!

Nature took its course, and we were married in January 1972. More nature taking its course, and we had two wonderful children, Shannon and Marc. Some of you know Shannon through her webmaster duties for the EMC Society. Once the first child came, Sue became a stay-at-home mother. However, once both kids were in school, she went back to college to get a teaching degree. She taught 3rd and 4th grade in both New Hampshire and North Carolina, and only stopped because she loved to travel with me. We travelled all over the USA, Europe and even to Asia and Australia/New Zealand together. Some of you might have read the travel logs she wrote from these trips, with lots of interesting trivia and humor.

I think that everyone who knew her will miss her. She was really special. I know that all loved ones to everyone are special, but even those who knew her, I think would agree, she was special-special.

Thanks for reading my words.

Bruce and Sue Archambeault are shown at their wedding in 1972.

In closing, as the new President of the EMC Society, I am always interested in your thoughts, ideas, and suggestions. You can reach me at bruce.arch@ieee.org.