



Deborah S. LaRoche

July 30, 1957 - July 10, 2017

Deborah S. LaRoche, 59, of Clifton, passed away on Monday, July 10, 2017 at Presence St. Mary's Hospital in Kankakee. She was born on July 30, 1957, in Kankakee, to Sidney and Mary Hicks Shaw. Deborah married LaVerne "Terry" LaRoche on April 8, 1977 at Asbury United Methodist Church in Kankakee.

Deborah was a teacher for 23 years in the Kankakee School District. She enjoyed golfing, shopping, traveling, and spending time with her grandchildren.

Deborah is survived by her mother, Mary Shaw, of Arkansas; her husband, LaVerne "Terry" LaRoche, of Clifton; two sons and two daughters-in-law, Brandon (Tracy) LaRoche, of Bourbonnais and Todd (Danielle) LaRoche, of St. Cloud, FL; one sister and brother-in-law, Mary Jet (Dennis) Sternberg, of Arkansas; one brother and sister-in-law, Sidney (Jennifer) Shaw, of Mississippi; and nine grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her father; and one sister, Cindy Goode.

Visitation will be held from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Friday, July 14, 2017 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee. Private family services will be held Saturday.

Memorials may be made to American Cancer Society.

Tribute Wall

TL

“ I miss you so much, our morning talks, your laugh, your advice, your soft kind voice, i love you so much

Todd LaRoche - July 18, 2017 at 04:22 PM

CO

“ So sorry for your loss. We enjoyed playing golf with her. BI'll and Colleen Regnier

Colleen - July 15, 2017 at 05:26 PM

AY

“ Alicia Young lit a candle in memory of Deborah S. LaRoche



Alicia Young - July 15, 2017 at 09:24 AM

DE

“ 1 file added to the album LifeTributes



Debbie - July 15, 2017 at 08:48 AM

JA

“ *Mrs LaRoche was all four of my children teacher at the Montessori School. (LLC) I was so impressed with her teaching style. She made a great impact on my children lives. (Renata, Natasha, Rod 11, and Aaron) She will truly be missed. May God continue to comfort your family during this time.*

Jacqueline Alford



Jacqueline Alford - July 14, 2017 at 12:06 PM

DL

“ *I'm so lucky to say that I had one of the best Mother-in-laws a girl could ever ask for. I am absolutely heartbroken that our time with her was cut so short. She would do anything for her family and loved her grandkids beyond measure, as they adored their sweet "Nana," as well. She is gone too soon and the hole she has left in our family will never be replaced. I miss all the good times we had and all the good times we would've had. I know we will meet again someday and that she is truly at peace and free of pain now, but our hearts are shattered. Love you forever and RIP our sweet "Nana" in heaven.*



Danielle LaRoche - July 13, 2017 at 10:19 PM

CK

“ It is hard to imagine that Debbie is really gone. She was always so joyful and full of energy. We worked together for a number of years at Montessori, and I'm grateful for those years. She was a dedicated teacher with lots of great ideas and a caring, nurturing relationship with her students. I know how much she loved her family and how important they were to her. I hope they will find comfort in knowing how much she was loved, how many lives she impacted and in their own memories of happy times together. My own thoughts and memories will be with them especially in this time of pain and grief.

With love,
Chriss Kendall-Muniz

Christine M Kendall-Muniz - July 13, 2017 at 04:24 PM

BS

“ Bill And Helen Spriggs lit a candle in memory of Deborah S. LaRoche



Bill and Helen Spriggs - July 13, 2017 at 01:44 PM

BS

Our deepest sympathy to the entire LaRoche family

Bill and Helen Spriggs - July 13, 2017 at 01:49 PM



“ 91 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - July 13, 2017 at 09:56 AM

BH

“ *Barnetta Harris lit a candle in memory of Deborah S. LaRoche*



Barnetta Harris - July 12, 2017 at 11:39 PM

TA

“ *Tina Andrews lit a candle in memory of Deborah S. LaRoche*



Tina Andrews - July 12, 2017 at 09:50 PM

BB

“ Mrs. LaRoche was my 4th grade teacher at LCC. She taught me the value of patience and hard work. She cared for all of her students as if they were her own children. As I've matured and accomplish many life goals, I always continue to display the characteristics and work ethic in which she taught me at a young age. My condolences goes out to the entire family and friends, as heaven has gained a beautiful angel!



Brandon Brown - July 12, 2017 at 09:45 PM

AC

“ My 2nd mom in 3rd & 4th grade. I loved her so much. She kept me out of trouble. Prayers for her close family & friends.
-Ashley Calloway



Ashley Calloway - July 12, 2017 at 09:41 PM

JS

“ Joyce Stevenson lit a candle in memory of Deborah S. LaRoche



Joyce Stevenson - July 12, 2017 at 07:54 PM

SN

“ God has a new, sweet angel!! Our years at LCC together we're enjoyable and I feel blessed to have had the chance to work with you. Prayers to all of you!!

Sue Neeb

Susan Neeb - July 12, 2017 at 06:58 PM

DT

“ Debbie & Terry lived next-door to my mom for quite a while got to know them both very well so sorry to hear about Debbie she was such a sweet girl so sorry to hear about her passing caring thoughts are with you all 🌹🌹🌹

Deborah Tofte - July 12, 2017 at 04:05 PM

DC

“ Heaven has a very special Angel. Debbie was one of the sweetest and most loving person I knew. I will miss her dearly. May God comfort the LaRoche family during this most difficult time. Rest in Peace my friend. You were loved by many.

Debbie Posing & Greg Carter - July 12, 2017 at 01:58 PM

VJ

“ Vickie Jones lit a candle in memory of Deborah S. LaRoche



vickie jones - July 12, 2017 at 12:51 PM

VB

“ Vicki And Bob lit a candle in memory of Deborah S. LaRoche



Vicki and Bob - July 12, 2017 at 11:40 AM

VB

Love our Deb smart loving and funny in GODS hands for sure Bless this wonderful wowman

Vicki and Bob - July 12, 2017 at 11:45 AM

MW

“ I have carried with me all these years many cherished memories of you Debbie. That day we happened to bump into each other at KCC and discovered what a small world it truly is. You were so excited and vibrant that day and you shared with me your plans to become a teacher. We shared many joys and sorrows after that day. I can recall your excitement as you told me about the man you loved and wanted to marry (you were so in love and it lasted all your life), and later the pride you had in your sons. As life would have it, things changed and miles separated us, but nothing can take away that part of you that lives in my heart my dear sweet cousin. My deepest sympathy to your loved ones for I know what a loss they suffer.
Love you - Cousin Liz

Mary Whitten-Collier - July 12, 2017 at 10:35 AM

RA

“ Ohh Debbie, you went before me! Please sweet Angel, save me a seat up there. I will be praying that your family find comfort and peace in knowing that your pains are no more. So, golf until we all meet again.

*Rest in everlasting Peace
Your Montessori Secretary,
Ruth*

Ruth Alexander - July 11, 2017 at 10:16 PM

LG

“ I'm heart broken over this loss. Deb meant so much to me because she meant so much to my daughter. She will forever be thought of as the best teacher any of my kids ever had.

Lilia Garcia-Belka - July 11, 2017 at 09:32 PM

JH

“ She was my 4th grade teacher... she was one of the few that genuinely cared for her students.. she was like a second parent to me during the school. God bless her. My condolences to her family and friends ❤️🙏




Jazmine Hoskins - July 11, 2017 at 09:05 PM

JS

“ Joyce Shoemaker lit a candle in memory of Deborah S. LaRoche



Joyce Shoemaker - July 11, 2017 at 05:06 PM

 Susan
Herbert

“ *Mrs. LaRoche was both my sons 3/4 grade teacher at Montessori. She was a wonderful educator and cared so much for her students. My sons both loved having her as a teacher and I appreciated everything she did for them. My thoughts and prayers are with her family.*

Susan Herbert - July 11, 2017 at 04:57 PM

DC

“ *My thoughts and Prayers are with you and your family. Deb was such a beautiful person inside and out. Fly high with the Angels Deb.*



Debbie Casey - July 11, 2017 at 03:56 PM