



Judith Fanthorpe

March 13, 1938 - January 3, 2008

Judith Fanthorpe -- Kankakee Judith A. Fanthorpe, 69, of Kankakee, died Jan. 3, 2008, at Riverside Medical Center. Memorial visitation will be from 1 p.m. Saturday until the 3 p.m. memorial service at St. Mark United Methodist Church in Kankakee. The Rev. Kathy Sweet will officiate. Cremation rites have been accorded by Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Crematory, west Kankakee. Memorials may be made to St. Mark United Methodist Church Memorial Garden Fund. Ms. Fanthorpe was a physical education teacher at Herscher and Central High School at Clifton, retiring in 1993. She was born March 13, 1938, in Chicago, the daughter of John and Lorraine Wietz Fanthorpe. She graduated from North Central College in Naperville and received her master's degree from Illinois State University. She was very instrumental in organizing the IHSA State Track Meet held at Eastern and cheerleading camp at ISU. She was a member of St. Mark United Methodist Church for 60 years, where she was once on the church council, education committee and was a pianist for the Jr. High and Sr. High Youth. She also volunteered in the church office, folding the bulletins and newsletters. She enjoyed traveling and cross-country skiing. Surviving are two brothers and sisters-in-law, Jim and Pat Fanthorpe of Oswego, Bob and Diane Fanthorpe of Las Vegas, Nev.; 11 nieces and nephews; and 19 great-nieces and great-nephews. Her parents and grandparents are deceased.

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“ Dear Aunt Judy,

Although we haven't seen much of each other in recent years, I will always cherish the summers we spent with you in Kankakee. BJ and I loved to ride the bicycles from Grandma's house to your house. ĩ½And I still remember tubing down the Apple River with you and visiting the Wisconsin Dells. ĩ½I have so many great memories of you and you will be missed dearly.

Lots of love,

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“ "Fannie" was always a very upbeat and smiling person. ĩ½She will be missed even by me who hasn't seen her since the day I graduated high school. ĩ½###imported-begin###Mandi (Schultz) Darr###imported-end###

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“ It was a pleasure to have had such a nice person as a teacher.
½Ms Fanthorpe was always fair, kind and listened to us girls when we needed someone. ½I saw her only once after graduation but had heard she retired from Central High School. ½

May God bless her family and help them through their time of sorrow. My deepest sympathy.

Eddena Hissong ½class of 1972 ½
½Clifton Central High School###imported-begin###Eddena Hissong###imported-end###

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“ St. Mark has lost a truly beautiful, kind and caring member. Judy always had a smile on her face and it truly radiated with loving kindness.###imported-begin###David, Gayle & Chase Fischer###imported-end###

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“ I just learned of Judy's death and I am heartbroken I did not get to her memorial. ½To me, Fanthorpes were all Christian role models. Her father was my Sunday School teacher, my junior high history teacher and her mother was my mother's dear friend. ½½Judy was a beautiful blend of both of her parents----compassionate, caring Christian people. ½She raised the bar on teaching standards for women in physical education in Illinois. ½But, it was those moments when she would smile her great hello, warm and wonderful... ..and whether it was in the narthex of the church of Table One at Blues, she made the day brighter, better, and more beautiful. ½½Because, she was Judy. ½½My heartfelt sympathy to her family...she loved you so. ½Lana Weiss Brown ½###imported-begin###Lana Weiss Brown###imported-end###

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“ please accept my sypmathy for the loss of Judy, Fannie. i½i had her as a PE teacher for 4 years and she was awesome. i½They don't make teachers like her anymore. i½god bless you and your family.##imported-begin##geralyn clabby yockman##imported-end##

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“ What a truly wonderful and kind person Fannie was. i½We all loved her even when she was upset with us. i½She played a very large part in not only my life but of many others. i½My days at Central are cherished memories and Fannie was a big part of that. i½She will truly be missed and how sad I just now found out about her passing and missed her services.##imported-begin##Vicky (Trost) Giles##imported-end##

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“ Ms. Fanthorpe was my high school PE teacher for three years. She truly took an interest in all of her students. She expected all of her girls to behave like ladies but also to get out there and prove to the boys that girls could play sports too. 1973 was the first year Central would have a girls track team. I was proud to be on the team. Fannie was instrumental in pushing me and other girls to go out for sports. She pushed her girls to be a part of GAA (Girls Athletic Association), and she always made sure we had fun when we stayed after school for GAA meetings. After graduating from college and majoring in PE I subbed for a while and took over Fannie's classes when she broke her foot. I think it was 1982. It was a tough job because the girls wanted Fannie back. I taught PE for 18 years at LeVasseur Elementary in Bourbonnais, Illinois. I used to teach my students some of the games Fannie taught us. I am now a principal in Kankakee School District 111. Some of my most favorite high school memories are playing cage ball and Fannie letting me practice running for track during PE. I saw Fannie a few years ago when she was dining with friends at VIPS Restaurant in Bradley. It was great seeing her. I offer my sympathy and want you to know that she will be missed and is in a lot of student's hearts.

Sincerely,
Betty Peters-Lambert
Clifton
Central High School
Class of 1976

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“ *"Fannie" was a friend and teacher. She valued her students and taught us to value each other. She introduced us to a variety of things in PE that most of us would never have gotten to do otherwise. Her passion for archery and cross country skiing, as well as other fitness activities, was contagious. She and I have kept in touch at Christmas time for the past 20 years and she will be missed!! Denise##imported-begin##Denise Plenert##imported-end##*

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