



## Mary Ann Blackman

February 27, 1948 - July 9, 2005

Mary Anne "Miss Mary Anne" Blackman, 57, of Kempton, died Saturday (July 9, 2005) at Provena St. Mary's Hospital, Kankakee. A Celebration of Life and a Time for Memories will begin at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home, West Kankakee. Rev. Michael Powell will officiate. Cremation rites have been accorded by Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Crematory. Mrs. Blackman had been employed at Kankakee School District for more than five years. She had worked at the Montessori Magnet School at Lincoln Cultural Center, where she was the librarian and teacher assistant in the classroom. She was also the editor for the school newsletter and maintained the website. She was born Feb. 27, 1948, in Chicago, the daughter of Stephen B. and Mary Katherine Ledbetter Bastean. She was a graduate of the University of Texas. She enjoyed traveling and visiting museums, especially the Smithsonian, and Epcot Center at Disney World. Surviving are her husband, George M. Blackman, of Kempton, whom she married May 1, 1992, in Stelle; her father of Landsdowne, Va.; one sister and brother-in-law, Carol and Troy DeGroot of Asheville, N.C. Her mother is deceased

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“ *My thoughts and prayers go out the family. Mary Anne will be greatly missed and always remembered. Her cheerful voice and smile will always be remembered. She was a great friend and co-worker. She was always full of energy and full of spirit. God bless her.##imported-begin##Mariza Avalos##imported-end##*

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“ *My prayers go the family. She will be missed. i;½##imported-begin##Maria G. Andrade##imported-end##*

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“ Mary Anne was a very special aunt. Her courage to face whatever life gave her is unmatched. I loved her laugh. Anyone that knew her had to appreciate her creativeness. As a child, she made things fun and exciting, always thinking of new ideas to spark our interests. Though we grew apart over the years, those memories, I will treasure forever. ĩ½She will be loved and missed greatly and ĩ½I thank God that her suffering is over. <br><br>Rest in peace Aunt Mary Anne.##imported-begin##Rebekah Shelton##imported-end##

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“ "Miss Mary Anne" was one of my favorite pre-school teachers at Montessori. ĩ½Although it's been over 15 years I can still remember her smiling face, gentle ways, and her enthusiasm. ĩ½The thing I remember most about her are the many back rubs she gave me when I couldn't sleep at nap time. ĩ½She was a wonderful teacher and a gift with children.##imported-begin##Miranda and Christine LaCost##imported-end##

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“ George:<br><br> ĩ½I wanted to express my sympathy in Mary Ann's death. ĩ½I worked at Lincoln Cultural Center with her and always appreciated her gentle spirit. ĩ½She was always so kind to the students and always communicated with them in an encouraging way. ĩ½I will really miss her smile at work and will continue to keep you in my prayers.<br><br><br><br>Lori##imported-begin##Lori Gordon##imported-end##

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