



Anne Hayes Gardner

January 12, 1941 - October 19, 2013

Anne Hayes Gardner, age 72, passed away on October 19, 2013. Anne was born on January 12, 1941 in Washington D.C. to Allene Hunter Hayes and Robert Joseph Hayes. Anne is survived by her husband Jan, sons Barry (Pauline) of Baltimore, MD., Daniel of Philadelphia, PA. and Michael of Atlanta, GA. She is also survived by her brother William (Debbie) of Nicholasville, KY.

There will be no service. A private gathering will be held at a later date.

Remembrances can be made to Bloomington Animal Shelter, Hospice of Bloomington or the National Audubon Society.

Allen Funeral Home 4155 South Old Highway 37 is handling the arrangements and online condolences may be sent to the family at www.allenfuneralhome.org.

Tribute Wall

NT

“*Jan, we are so sorry to hear of Anne's passing. We just found out today after reading a letter from Monroe Co. School District and saw Anne's name. We will always remember her smile and big hug when we ran in to her around town. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and family. Nick and Trudy Thompson
Jan. 24, 2014*

Nick and Trudy Thompson - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

RM

“*We offer our heartfelt condolences to the Gardner family. Anne was an exceptionally thoughtful and creative teacher when our daughter Katie was in her class at University Elementary, and Anne remained an inspiration to her students, as well as many others in the community, in her “second career.” We will miss her smile and spirit very much.
Rosemarie and Michael McGerr*

Rosemarie and Michael McGerr - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

FE

“*My condolences to the Gardner Family. My son Jordan and daughter Lindsey were both in Anne's 4 th grade class at University School. I was so glad they were in her class and benefitted from her creative lessons. She was such a gifted teacher. She inspired them both to be lifelong learners and challenged them academically. She will be missed.*

Felice Cloyd - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

JE

“ Anne was a mentor and a true friend. I could always count on a tight hug, a sweet kiss, and an ear to listen...really listen to how things were going. I always felt I mattered when I ran into Anne. I will miss her hugs, her kiss, and her. I am thinking of you all.

Jennifer Fox

Jennifer Fox - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

AB

“ I was so sorry to hear of Anne's passing. She was such a wonderful friend and co-worker and I will never forget her sharp wit, quick (and STRONG) hug and her ability to make me laugh! Love to Jan and her kids xo

Abigayle Gore - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

TL

“ Jan,
We are so sorry for your and your sons loss. She was one of the first real persons I met when moving to Bloomington many, many years ago. We will miss her so much. You and Annie are in our prayers.

Tucker & Lynne Madawick - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

DA

“ Dear Mr. Gardner and Sons,

Your wife and mother was a dear, sweet woman. My wife, Dee and I got to know Annie through her work at the Uptown Cafe. We've certainly missed her presence there since she left. She was a special person and we know you must miss her dearly. We hope she did not suffer in her final weeks and days.

Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers.

*In deep sympathy,
David and Diana (Dee) Ellies*

David Ellies - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

DY

“ Jan, So sorry to hear about Anne's passing. We have always enjoyed driving by your house and seeing all your beautiful landscaping. We know Anne spent a lot of time outside and the neighborhood has really benefited from her gardening passion. Please let us know if we can be of help in anyway.

Don, Jan, and Tracy Young

Don, Jan, and Tracy Young - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

DA

“ Dear Jan and Family,
We are so sorry for your loss of Anne. We are sending you warm and loving thoughts and prayers. Be well a,d take care, Dale and Dawn

dale and dawn steffey and adams - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

PA

“ To Mrs. Gardner's family,
Mrs. Gardner was a great teacher and a genuine ,kind and compassionate person. She taught my son at University Elementary School for two straight years. She literally turned my son's life around in the 2nd or 3rd grade. She convinced me that my Son, Paul 3rd, should stay in the same grade an extra year due to his immaturity not his grades. She made sure that he was in her class for that 2nd yr. From that time on he was a straight A student well into high school and now has a Master's in social work from IU , after getting his undergrad from BALL St . Thank you so much for sharing Mrs. Gardner with my Son and all the other children !! Paul E Norris Jr

Paul Norris - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

DE

“ My family sends its condolences in your loss. Our son was in Mrs. Gardner's 4th grade class. She was a most wonderful teacher! Her dedication to challenging her students was amazing, and she seemed to pour all her energy and love into her work. Her gifts will always be remembered.

Debbi Conkle - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

DA

“ Dear Jan and Family,
Dawn and I are deeply saddened by the loss of Anne, and we are sending you all our warmest thoughts and prayers. Be well and please take good care of yourselves.

dale steffey - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

BE

“ *To Jan and family:
As you already know, Anne was a teacher extraordinaire. I had the good fortune of knowing her as my son's fourth grade teacher in 1993. She was hands down the best teacher he ever had on his educational path and she shaped his study habits and love for learning for a lifetime. I also had the privilege of sampling her delicious cakes that I purchased for my father's 80th birthday celebration in 2009. Sweet Annie will be missed. May all the positive memories that Anne's presence left in this community lift your hearts and souls during this difficult time.*

Becky Gavin - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

ST

“ *Jan -- Ann struck me as kind, sweet, and brave. I'm very sorry for your loss.*

Steve Arnold - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

GL

“ *Dear Jan and family,
We send our condolences, but the words are so inadequate. Anne was a wonderful, vivacious, loving, caring person. I'm so glad Steve and Lynn introduced us to you both so many years ago. In recent years I have loved seeing Anne and visiting with her at the Uptown--and having her join Linda and me for breakfast occasionally after she "retired" from working there. Patrick and I got to visit with Anne at the Farmers' Market one day this summer--the last time we saw her. She seemed so wonderful, sitting with the dog, waiting for you to come back from a vendor.*

Glenda Murray - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

LE

“ We were so sorry to hear of Anne’s passing. When we first met Anne, our daughter Leanne, was starting 4th grade at University School. During the year, we were impressed with Anne’s energy and ability to find ways to develop the unique potential in each of her students. She fostered a love of learning that served her students well in their future education. Very seldom does one teacher have such a lasting impact. We are fortunate to have known such a lovely person and wonderful teacher. We send our sincere condolences to Anne’s family.

Lee and Eleanore Dodge - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

MO

“ Our family has so many memories of Mrs. Gardner. She was my son’s teacher for 4th grade, I cleaned her house for many years, and my daughter house-sit for her many times. We remember so clearly her happy spirit, smile, and warmth. Her home was fabulous both inside and out. She will be missed.

Monica Fender - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

TA

“ Jan, I am very sorry to hear of your loss. Please know that my thoughts and prayers are with you at this time.

Tammy Cunningham - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

TJ

“ Jan, you and your family are in our thoughts and prayer at this time. Hugs to you!

Tracie and Jay Richardson - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

BE

“ To the Gardner Family,

Mrs. Gardner was my Fourth Grade teacher more then twenty years ago. Her light, her warmth, her kind nurturing, and her love for her students was apparent to even the most obstinate and apathetic nine year-old. I will forever remember her with love and fondness, and I will forever appreciate and respect her for the time and energy she poured into bringing, every year, a new group of children towards responsible adulthood.

Sincerest condolences,

Ben Widlanski

*Assistant United States Attorney, Southern District of Florida
(and University Elementary School 4th Grader, 1991)*

Ben Widlanski - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

JA

“ Jan, Barry, Pauline, Daniel and Michael - Our condolences on the loss of your wife and mother. Anne was so very special. I smile when I remember how long it took me to go from Ms. Gardner to Anne. I think I was over 30 before I could manage that. I remember her at U School - in her garden - at Uptown. How lucky we are that we were able to know her. / Jane, Richard, Kathryn & Elisabeth Martin

Jane Lewis - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

CI

“ Jan and family:

My heart is filled with sorrow for the loss of your wife and mother. May you find peace in the days to come.

Cindy Sibert - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

ST

“ Dear Jan, Danny, Barry and Michael,

My deepest heartfelt sympathy. We all have such wonderful memories of her and those are what we should focus on at this time.

Danny, I'm available for hugs and loves anytime.

Sandy

Sandy (Richards) Tovey - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

MA

“ My husband, Ted Widlanski, and our children, Ben and Esther Widlanski, join me in sending our warmest condolences to dear Anne's family. Ben was her student at University school and says " Mrs. Gardner was a great person and a great teacher".

In January, Anne made a fabulous cake to celebrate Ben's homecoming after his deployment in Afghanistan, and she was delighted and interested to visit with Ben and hear about his time in the army. How lucky we were to have known Anne, how lucky my son was to have been in her class. and I think of all the children who learned and flourished in Anne's classes. she lives on in their hearts as surely as she lives in the hearts of her family.

Martha Jacobs - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

SG

“ Dear Jan--

I am so sorry to hear of Annie's passing. I didn't have the good fortune of staying in touch with her in recent years, but I certainly remember her kind, gentle soul and her love for the beautiful things of the earth.

You are in my thoughts.

Susie

Susie Swihart Gulick - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

MA

“ *Jan and family. I am thinking of you and holding you in my heart. Sadness and gratitude. Mostly gratitude. Thank you Anne for being in my life and the educational life of my sons. Thank you for always asking about them whenever we ran into each other. I sometimes think of you when I am teaching my kindergarten students. I will keep you in my heart and fondly remember you when I welcome the spring flowers called "forget me nots".*

Maureen Kavanaugh - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

PB

“ *A shining light has left us all.*

Patricia Bolinger - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

Jl

“ Dear Gardner Family, Anne was an angel here on Earth. She made a tremendous impact on my daughters in the Gifted and Talented program in Bloomington, and she became a true friend to me.

You all are in my thoughts and prayers.

Sincerely,

Jill Williams

(mother of Julie, Molly, and Lesley La Fon, now all grown)

Jill Williams - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

JO

“ Jan,
I'll miss my friend Anne, teacher of my children and friend to my wife. I have always been inspired by her energy. God bless you and your family. John

John Connell - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

JR

“ Jan,
We are thinking of you at this time and sending much love and many hugs.

Jenni Wilkinson

Rowan Candy

Jenni & Rowan - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM

GM

“ So sorry for your loss, Jan. We will think of Anne as we always saw her -- happy, smiling and friendly. She will be greatly missed. We hope you find strength in friends, family and the furry creatures around you.

Much love,

Malinda and Gregg

Gregg and Malinda Miller - October 26, 2015 at 04:08 PM