



## Jan T, Miles

July 31, 1947 - July 1, 2019

Jan T. Miles, 71, of Ellettsville passed away Monday, July 1, 2019 with her family by her side. She was born on July 31, 1947 in Bloomington, Indiana the daughter of Chancey and Ila (Turner) Thrasher. She was a 1965 graduate of Bloomington High School and she received her Bachelor's degree in education from Oakland City College and then her Master's degree in education from Indiana University.

Jan was a 2nd grade teacher for most of her 36 years at the Richland Bean Blossom School Corporation at Ellettsville Elementary School and Edgewood Primary School. After retirement, she was a volunteer at Wildcare and Pets Alive in Bloomington as she was a lifelong animal lover. Jan shared many adventures with her daughter Kyle while traveling around the country for dog events and outdoor activities such as camping and canoeing. Jan enjoyed walks with her dog Finley who was always by her side. She enjoyed meeting with her retired teacher friends. Jan will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

Jan is survived by her husband, Robert L. "Bob" Miles of Ellettsville; and her daughter, Kyle T. Miles of Ellettsville; and son, Doug Miles of Ellettsville. She was preceded in death by her parents and her brother Phillip Thrasher. There are no services scheduled at this time. Cremation Rites have been accorded.

You are invited to share a memory or leave an online condolence to the family at [www.allencares.com](http://www.allencares.com).



# Tribute Wall

GS

“ Jan and I went to school together from Jr. High to graduating from Bloomington High School in 1965. We also were fortunate to work together at the old Ellettsville Elementary school for several years. We had many great memories. She will be greatly missed.

Gwen Staggs

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Gwen Staggs - July 11, 2019 at 03:39 PM

JR

“ Mrs. Miles was my 3rd grade teacher, I always remember what she wrote on one of my report cards, she said, I'm sure Jayne is pretty but I wouldn't know for sure as all I have ever seen is the back of her head! My Mom thought that was the best!  
I grew up to babysit the kids for awhile.  
What a lovely lady! You will be missed!  
My thoughts are with the family, love to all!

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Jayne A Rowse - July 08, 2019 at 06:45 PM

KR

“ Mrs. Miles was my 2nd grade teacher back at Ellettsville Elementary. I know she will be missed by many. My thoughts are with her family.

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Kristin - July 08, 2019 at 12:33 PM

JM

“ I taught with Jan for several years at Ellettsville Elementary. She and I had lots of good chats while we were waiting outside our rooms for the children to come in for the day. She had a great sense of humor and loved the outdoors. She, I and another teacher actually talked about writing a Lily Grant so we could follow the Lewis and Clark trail and even canoeing part of it. I'm so sorry she has passed, but she was a kind, good adventurer.

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**Judy Morran** - July 07, 2019 at 04:23 PM

BS

“ Jan was one of the dedicated, kind, and consistent teachers who devoted years of nurturing to the students of R.B.B.C.S.C. I first met her the year the ceiling fell in her classroom at the old Ellettsville Elementary school. Her class had to meet in the library until repairs could be completed. But she led the students through -- she just kept teaching and caring. The trials and tragedies of life came -- and she kept leading the students through. The dearly beloved old school closed, and she filled the boxes and moved to the new building, and kept leading and teaching. Her watchful eyes and caring heart were always with her students. Her "Victory Lap" in the back of the pick-up truck on her last day of teaching will always be in my memory. For many years, I kept one of the souvenirs that she tossed that day! Rest in well-earned peace, Jan. B.Z. Savage

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**Bridgette Z. Savage** - July 07, 2019 at 04:02 PM

DB

“ I remember Jan at Doug's Special Olympics practices and competitions and it was a joy talking with her about a lot of things but especially about her critters. We have missed her these past few years and I know Bob, Kyle and Doug are missing her now.

~Denise

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**Denise Brown** - July 07, 2019 at 03:07 PM

JC

*Although I never worked directly for Jan I knew her to be a very caring teacher. Doing very generous gestures behind the scenes to help children. I enjoyed getting to know her. -Jackie Cross*

Jackie Cross - July 08, 2019 at 06:03 PM

RL

*“ Bob, Kyle and Doug,  
We are so sorry to hear of Jan’s passing and want you to know that we are keeping each of you in our thoughts and prayers.  
We always enjoyed visiting with Jan at the agility trials.  
Wishing you comfort and peace,  
Bob and Pat Lynn*

Robert and Pat Lynn - July 07, 2019 at 09:23 AM

SC

*“ Our sincere sympathy to Doug and his family from your fellow athletes and friends from Special Olympics Indiana Monroe County. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.*

Special Olympics Indiana Monroe County - July 06, 2019 at 09:21 PM

RS

*“ We are so sorry to hear about Jan. She was a sweet and caring lady. We both worried about a stray years ago and were both feeding him at top of the hill, when the family moved and left him. We were thankful the new owners cared for him. Her love and kindness will greatly be missed. If we can do anything just let us know*

*Dave and Ruthie Smith. Rodeo Dr*

Ruthie Smith - July 06, 2019 at 08:58 PM



Mary Mikesell

“ a wonderful person and dedicated teacher ...she was a blessing..prayers for all

Mary Mikesell - July 06, 2019 at 01:27 PM

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“ Mary Mikesell lit a candle in memory of Jan T, Miles



Mary Mikesell - July 06, 2019 at 01:27 PM

SK

“ So sorry to read this. Both my kids had Jan as a teacher and had no complaints. She was a great teacher. Take comfort that she made a difference in a lot of lives.

sue kelley - July 06, 2019 at 11:07 AM

CH

“ Our Prayers for comfort are with the Miles family during this most difficult time 🙏

connie headdy - July 06, 2019 at 10:32 AM

SW

“ I am very sorry for your loss. I enjoyed having conversations with Jan at school. She will be missed.

Sandi Wampler - July 06, 2019 at 10:09 AM