



Mary Beth Castellano

October 28, 1943 - April 4, 2010

Mary Beth Croshaw Castellano of Bloomington passed away early Easter morning April 4, 2010 at her residence. She was 66 years old. She was born October 28, 1943 in Santa Fe, New Mexico to George Wilson and Claribel Muralter Croshaw. After graduating from Santa Fe High School and the University of New Mexico, she went on to spend her professional career with the State of New Mexico in Human Services. Mary Beth was deeply devoted to her family and so shortly after the death of her husband Jerome in 2006, she left both her lifelong home of Santa Fe, New Mexico and dear friends, to be with her daughter's family in Bloomington, Indiana. Mary Beth leaves behind her daughter Jennifer Busch and her husband Frederick, along with her grandchildren Faith and Jack Busch, all of Bloomington. She also leaves behind her sister Margaret Howsman and husband Randy of Fall River, California and a brother, George Croshaw and his wife Christy of Santa Fe, New Mexico. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Jerome Edwardo Castellano in 2006, her sister Ann Kendall and her grandson Wyatt Busch in 2005. The family will be hosting a Memorial Reception in Mary Beth's honor on Wednesday, April 7, 2010 from 5:00PM until 7:00PM at 2310 Arden Drive in Bloomington. In lieu of flowers the family is asking that memorial contributions be made to the donor's favorite charity. Allen Funeral Home 4155 South Old Highway 37 is handling the arrangements.

Tribute Wall

BA

“*Beth and I spent many years together, both as co-workers and friends in Santa Fe. She was a great mentor to me during my years at the Human Services Department, but more importantly a genuine friend.*

We shared many laughs about my days of commuting to Santa in a vanpool, and she was always there as a resource for me.

Throughout my many years of travel and various careers, she was always there, in the background, offering her home and whatever else I may have needed and I will appreciate how much she was always there for me.

I will miss our hikes and sharing of the outdoors, where we realized many great memories.

I am glad she is no longer suffering, and send Jennifer my warm regards and appreciation for all of us who were so positively impacted by Beth.

Barbara Roe - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

LG

“*I am very sorry for your loss. Rely on your friends, family, and faith through the coming years. God Bless you and yours.*

Linda Guzman - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

AU

“ Beth as an extraordinary woman who was a great mentor. I will never forget you Beth and all that you taught me about State Government and Life itself. Beth was so proud of you Jennifer and the love that she had for her grandchildren was just remarkable. You could see it in her eyes when she talked about you all. May God Bless you all. Rest in Pease Beth. YOU WERE AND WILL ALWAYS BE AN ANGEL!!!

Audrey Sisneros - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

IR

“ As a former State Employee, I can say Beth was respected and it is always good to know that someone who has chosen to be a part of a group, that not only when called on her co workers can depend on her . But workers that never personally met her, benefited from her knowledge. She will be missed and her shoes will never be filled. God Bless your family always. Fondly, Irene Pine

Irene Pine - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

CH

“ Beth was an extraordinary woman who so positively influenced my life in OHR. Beth had a quiet ability yet great strength to make things happen (behind the scenes, of course...she did not want praise or public credit.) Jennifer, please know that in our hearts and in our memories, Beth will remain with us.

Cheryl Thompson - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

CH

“ Hi Jennifer

I knew your Mom through my sister Joanne. For as long as I can remember Joanne talked about Beth and her beautiful daughter Jennifer :-)

I finally met Beth and understood why she and Joanne were such good friends. One of my most wonderful memories is when Beth, Joanne & Mary Beth came to Vero Beach when Beth retired.

It was the most magical gathering of women I've ever experienced with Beth surrounded by friends who made this trip to celebrate her, and the many years they shared together and cohorts and co-workers.

I know the loss Joanne feels and I know as her only daughter, whom she loved the most in the world, the empty place she has left in your life.

My most heartfelt condolences.

Chris Hayes

Chris Hayes - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

JO

“ Jennifer, Beth was a dear friend and I will miss her terribly.

We worked off and on together since 1974. Some years I worked for her and some years she worked for me. One thing is for sure, I would never have had survived NM State Government without her.

She was HSD Personnel. The management we served depended on her knowledge and expertise every day. The employees of HSD knew she was always available to answer their questions and help them when no one else would.

She lived her life with honor and kindness and the world is less without her.

Joanne Gonzales - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

GA

“ Dear Jennifer, We are so sorry to learn of your mother's passing. She was such a sweet person. She was Gilbert's neighbor when they were growing up on Gildersleeve and Santa Fe Ave. and then she was our neighbor again here on Sombrio Dr. We were disappointed to see her move to Indiana but we knew she'd be much happier being close to you and your family. God bless you all. We are sure that your mother has gone to her reward in a much better place (hopefully we'll be neighbors there too).

Gilbert & Alicia Pino - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

MI

“ What can you say about someone who has died? You try but it just does not come out very well. Basically, you're lost.
I really don't know what to say--that I am sorry to hear about her passing.
She had gone through so much in life--and she had done quite well. Like all of us she went through struggles, made it through and lived. That's what we all do--try to get along in life the best we can.

Michael Lawrence - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

ED

“ I am sorry to hear of Beth's passing. She was a wonderful person and a good friend. I will miss her.

Ed Phinney - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

AN

“ Jennifer,
I am so sorry to hear about Beth..We have known each other since school and I worked with her at HSD..We have been keeping in touch by e-mail since she moved to Indiana to be close to you and her grandchildren.
My sincerest condolences go out to you are your family.
Beth will be missed terribly

Anne Wester - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

KE

“ I knew Mary Beth for a short time when first arriving in Santa Fe. She was a kind person and I am sorry for your loss.

Kevin Braun - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

MA

“ I worked with Beth in New Mexico State Government. It was always a pleasure working with such a nice person as Beth. Long after we've said our good-byes, our hearts will remember. In sympathy and friendship to Beth's family. Sincerely, Maggie Hill

Maggie Hill - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

GE

“ I worked with Beth for many years. She was a very dedicated public servant who served the citizens of the State with professionalism and effectiveness for all of her long, distinguished career. Most importantly, Beth was a very warm, special person, always showing understanding, genuine concern, and a willingness to help whoever went to her for advice or assistance. She worked in a bureaucracy but always related to fellow employees and citizens as persons. She is truly a model for all those who followed her in the Human Resources profession. She will be remembered fondly. May God grant comfort and peace to all her family and friends who mourn her passing.

Gene Valdes - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

CA

“ I extend my deep regret and sympathy to Beth's family. I worked with Beth at Aging & Long-Term Services Department in Santa Fe, NM and remember her professional, sweet and caring disposition. I remember how happy she was when she decided to move to Indiana to live with her daughter and family. I pray that the cherished memories that you all hold of her help you during this very difficult time.

Sincerely, Carole Esquibel

Carole Esquibel - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

GC

“ Dear Jennifer and Family: We are truly saddened to hear of Mary Beth's passing.

You might remember that your parents were George's tax clients for many years in Santa Fe until we retired to Arizona. We received a Christmas card from her last year and George had spoken with her then. We were just thinking of her recently and hope she didn't have a prolonged illness and suffering. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and may you cherish all the memories of your Mom. With deep sympathy. George & Coralee Ortega

George & Coralee Ortega - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

MA

“ I am regretful to learn of Mary Beth's passing and I send condolences to her daughter and family. I worked with Mary Beth in NM State Govt. for many years. She was a true professional and she so loved her daughter (& husband) & grandchildren. I grew up in Indiana so when you first moved there she asked me "How will Bloomington be for them?" I will hold all of you in the light during this difficult time of loss. Sincerely, Marcy Pompei

Marcy Pompei - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM