



Janet "Jan" Sue Munro

November 23, 1941 - August 21, 2020

Janet (Jan) Sue Munro, 78, loving mother and grandmother passed away peacefully at her home on August 21, 2020. She was born November 23, 1941 in Indianapolis to the late Ralph and Lois (Bartle) Banta. Jan graduated from Arsenal Technical High School and went on attend the University of Miami (FL) and graduated from Indiana University-Bloomington with a Bachelor of Science and Indiana University-Indianapolis with a Master of Science in Elementary Education.

A devoted elementary school teacher with the Indianapolis Public Schools for 43 years, she loved connecting with her students and helping them achieve their dreams. Much of her career was spent teaching sixth graders at School 112 and first graders at School 34. Jan relished running into her students as adults and seeing all that they had achieved. She also treasured her teaching colleagues with whom she forged many close, life-long friendships.

Jan was a woman of faith and found strength from her bible study group and attending services at Smith Valley United Methodist Church. An avid reader, Jan loved all types of fiction, but was especially fond of suspenseful mystery novels. She read multiple books a week throughout her entire life. She adored traveling and especially enjoyed trips to Orange Beach, AL where she owned a vacation home. She loved hosting friends and family at the beach and spent many hours walking the beach and enjoying the sun.

Jan was extremely proud of her family and is survived by her daughter Suzanna (John) Annakin and two sons Jason and Chris (Dawn) Munro, all of

Indianapolis; three grandchildren, Emily, Ben, and Sam Annakin; and sister, Linda Banta. She also dearly missed her brother who preceded her in death, David Banta.

Jan's sweet and gentle spirit will be missed dearly by all who knew her and especially by her friends and family.

An open-air Celebration of Jan's Life will be held at The Ambassador House, 10598 Eller Road, Fishers, IN 46038, on Sunday, September 6th from 4 to 6:30 PM. Rev. Jennifer Lewis will officiate a service beginning at 4:30 PM in the garden or under the tent in case of rain. Light refreshments will be served following the service.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Smith Valley United Methodist Church (<https://www.smithvalleyumc.org/give-online>) or the Indy Humane Society (https://indyhumane.org/get_involved/donate/) due to Janet's lifelong love of her puppy pals including Inky, Myrtle, Peaches, Sweetness, Toby, Oliver, and Charlie. Condolences may be made online at <https://www.shirleybrothers.com/obituaries/>

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 6. 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM (ET)

The Ambassador House & Heritage Garden
10598 Eller Road
Fishers, IN 46038

Celebration of Life

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Tribute Wall



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Janet "Jan" Sue Munro.*



September 05, 2020 at 08:25 AM



“ *Your smiling face will be missed. I remember going to your daughters wedding and all of us taking pictures with the cameras in front of each of us on the tables. Fun memories! I will miss visiting with you when I come back to Indy. We always got a group of teachers together from IPS #112 for lunch! ;0)*

Betty Achenbach - September 03, 2020 at 04:26 PM



“ *Jan was my best friend. I will miss her very much. Jan was part of our family sharing in many of our vacations, weddings and just visiting. We always said we were sisters and we are in spirit. You will be missed by so many friends and family. May you have peace, Jan! Love you, Merle and Nancy*

Nancy Garber - August 29, 2020 at 10:09 PM

SB

“ Janet was always very sweet and had a beautiful smile. I remember having a pool party at her house and the water was freezing! We all had fun anyway. My condolences to her family. Rest peacefully Janet.

Shirley Butz

Shirley Butz - August 28, 2020 at 08:11 PM

WC

“ Wonderful memories of the many years of fun when we were in high school, college. Our times together continued in our senior years though not frequent enough but still when we did get together she was still the upbeat fun friend as always.

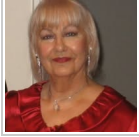
Winifred Manwaring Cunningham

Winifred Cunningham - August 27, 2020 at 10:26 AM

DD

“ I miss Jan so much. I know I have a picture somewhere of all of us teachers having lunch in her room at old School 34 on the last day before moving into the new building. My condolences to her dear family. Donna Dougan

Donna Dougan - August 26, 2020 at 05:37 PM



“ Janet and I were best friends all through high school - tho we went to different schools, she lived a couple of blocks of us. She attended the United Methodist Church (Fountain Square) where my father was the Minister. After high school, Janet and my sister, Marilyn, together went down to Miami for their Freshman year of college together, before finishing at IU Bloomington. Most of our lives, I believe we stayed in south Indianapolis and Greenwood, never very far away until just recently when she moved north. So many memories with our close knit group: Bonnie, Janet, Emily, Marilyn, Phyllis, Winifred all piling in one car to drive around the Tee Pee or going to the drive-in theatre, or just cruising the city. When she was teaching at school 34, I lived just a couple of blocks away. All good memories with a very good friend. Rest in peace.

Phyllis Lynch - August 26, 2020 at 05:15 PM

GR

“ Mama Jan (aka The Janet): Thank you for taking me with your kids to see the museums in Chicago. It was educational and a blast. I will never forget that! You always treated me like family and my life was better knowing and loving you like a surrogate mom. I will always remember your smile, giggles and intelligence. Every time I see a butterfly, I will say hi to you since I know that's you stopping by for a hug! Your surrogate daughter and fellow IU alumna, Grace Shurley

Grace - August 26, 2020 at 01:47 PM

KC

Had many good times with Jan in the past, truly enjoyed our Mother/Daughter dinners we used to have at Christmas time. Truly a good woman! Kay Chitwood

Kay Chitwood - August 26, 2020 at 03:59 PM

JA

I am blessed to have met Jan when our son John married Suzanna. What a lovely lady to share 3 wonderful grandchildren with. I am sorry that she was sick but know she is at peace now. Jane Annakin

Jane Annakin - August 26, 2020 at 06:09 PM