



Roberta "Bobbie" L. Fulk

March 8, 1951 - September 14, 2020

Roberta "Bobbie" L. Fulk, 69, of rural Bluffton passed away peacefully at her residence at 2:35 p.m. on Monday, September 14, 2020.

Bobbie was born on March 8, 1951 in Kokomo, Indiana to Robert and Violet (Ripley) Payne. She grew up in Cicero, Indiana, graduating from Hamilton Heights High School in 1969. Bobbie earned bachelor's and master's degrees in education from Indiana University. She worked with special needs children in grades K-12 in Adams and Wells Counties for 41 years, retiring from Northern Wells High School in 2015. During her career she was a strong advocate for teachers, actively representing teachers' associations in collective bargaining. She enjoyed reading, cross-stitch, gardening, puzzles, shopping, and spending time with her friends and family.

On December 16, 1972, in Cicero, Bobbie married Ronald "Ron" Fulk. They were married for 42 years. Ron preceded Bobbie in death on September 4, 2014.

Bobbie is survived by her son Jason L. (wife Jennifer) Fulk and two grandchildren Graham and Estelle, all of Carmel, Indiana; her daughter Robin N. Fulk of Whitestown, Indiana; and her four siblings, Richard (wife Sue) Payne of Indianapolis, Margaret (husband Rick) Emminger of Martinsville, Susan (husband Colby) Knerr of Fort Wayne, and David Payne of Anderson.

Private family services will be held for Bobbie. Donations may be made in her memory to the American Cancer Society (www.cancer.org) or Visiting Nurse (www.vnfw.org). Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to the care of the Thoma/Rich, Lemler Funeral Home in Bluffton. Friends can send condolences to Bobbie's family at www.thomarich.com.

Cemetery

Valhalla Memory Gardens

310 North Johnson Avenue

Bloomington, IN, 47404

Comments



“ My sympathy to all of Bobbie's family and close friends. I worked with Bobbie over the years when she was a teacher and diagnostician as well as an association rep. She was a strong advocate for students as well as fellow teachers. As a colleague, she was professional and 'had your back.' Her compassion and unique sense of humor were personal traits that stood out.

Kathy Stewart - September 20 at 11:19 AM



“ Jason and Robin,
I am so sorry to hear of your mom's passing. I was a teaching assistant with your mom at Lancaster Elementary. She was a great advocate for her students. You have my deepest sympathy.
Deanna Elzey



Deanna Elzey - September 19 at 06:00 PM



“ Jason and Robin: Many thoughts and prayers for your family during this time. I had the pleasure of working with your Mother at Lancaster Central for a number of years.

It takes a very special person to work with special education students and your Mother had those attributes.

Ken Lupp

Ken Lupp - September 19 at 03:19 PM



“ Jason & Robin,

We loved having your mom as a neighbor. We had several conversations at our mailboxes. Robin I am so glad that you & your mom were able to go on that cruise. She had a great time!! She will be missed! Keeping your family in our thoughts and prayers.

Caryn Johnson - September 18 at 10:12 AM



“ Jason and Robin,
I am sad to hear about your mom's passing. We taught together for many years at Lancaster and recently I always enjoyed visiting with her at our retired teacher's lunches. She was a wonderful person, teacher, and friend and will be very missed. My sympathies to the family.
Sincerely,
Sue Coolman

Sue Coolman - September 17 at 09:51 AM



“ Bobbie was one of the first teachers that truly helped me when I started working at Ossian Elementary as a temp teacher for the special ed class. She was a kind, caring, and fabulous lady and teacher!
Rhonda Rasdorf

Rhonda Rasdorf - September 16 at 08:17 PM



“ Your family had my deepest sympathy and prayers.
I am one of Bobbi's former students. I received her help my 4 & 5 grade years of school. She showed me things I still use and remember today. Mostly just because I dyslexia does not mean a cant learn it just means I need to learn a different way. Once i had a daughter of my own and went to a case conference, i was very happy to see Bobbi. My daughter was always little Tammy to her.
Her memory will live on in all the lives she has touched during her career. I am very greatfull she was in my life.
Prayers of peace for all who loved her,
Tammy (Reidt) Saalfrank

Tammy Saalfrank - September 16 at 07:52 PM



“ I worked with Bobbie at Norwell for several years. She was wonderful with the kids and was such an advocate for them. She touched and changed so many lives for the better. She will be missed.

Sandy - September 16 at 03:59 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to Bobbie's family.
Sincerely,
Jo Oswald

Jo Oswald - September 16 at 03:01 PM



“ Jason,

Matt and I were so sad to hear about your mom. I remember back in the day being at your house and she was always so nice to us. You are all in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Matt and Jaime Halterman

Jaime Halterman - September 16 at 01:01 PM



“ Jason and Robin - We were saddened to learn of Bobbie's passing! She and your dad were great neighbors to my Dad and Mom. Your mom, my mom and I always had a nice time when we drove together for LiGHT events (Wells County Foundation). The memories of you kids (you'll always be kids to us :) growing up together at Southern Wells holds a special place in our hearts. Please know that your families are in our thoughts and prayers during this time! God's blessings!
Rick and Laura Gentis

Laura Gentis - September 16 at 09:50 AM