



Jane Shields Williams

May 10, 1927 - March 10, 2016

Jane Shields Williams, 88, of Monrovia, was surrounded by her loving family when she was called home, on Thursday, March 10, 2016, in Community East Hospital. She was born on May 10, 1927, in a farmhouse just west of Monrovia, to the late Clair and Ruth (Paul) Shields.

Jane graduated from Monrovia High School in 1944. A talented artist, teacher and musician. She was passionate about music and enjoyed playing the fiddle, banjo and violin. During high school, Jane played music at the square dances held in the Monrovia Sandwich Shop. She received her BA in fine arts from Indiana University, Bloomington in 1948. In addition, she completed graduate work at Northwestern and Harvard University.

Above all, Jane lived life to the fullest and her active studies and travels presented her with memorable privileges like meeting Joan Baez at Harvard and receiving a twenty tip from Frank Sinatra in California. While studying abroad, Jane waitressed for several upscale restaurants including The Broadmoor Hotel in Colorado Springs, Colorado, The Coonamessett Inn in Cape Cod, Massachusetts, and The Brown Derby in Hollywood, California.

Jane taught for twelve years in Aurora, Columbus, Roosevelt High in Chicago, and in Ridgefield, CT, where she also played the violin for the Columbus Symphony Orchestra and led the Madrigal Choirs. While living in suburban

Philadelphia, Jane even managed a squash club on the Main Line. After she moved back home, Jane was a substitute teacher for Monrovia, Mooresville, Decatur, and Plainfield Schools.

Jane's colorful journey is an inspiration to many; especially her adored children, grandchildren and beloved family. She was gifted in many ways and excelled in storytelling and using her imagination. An avid dog lover, Jane bred Golden Retrievers for a period of time and throughout her life, Jane always had a Golden companion by her side.

Along with her parents, Jane is now reunited in heaven with her brothers, Paul and George "Buddy" Shields; her beloved sister, Martha (Shields) Gannon and husband, Glenn Williams.

Survivors include her loving children, David Williams (wife, Susan) of Bloomington and Elizabeth "Tink" Williams of Greenfield; grandchildren, Ben and Sara Williams; brothers, Billy David Shields (wife, Jacki) of Martinsville and Larry Joe Shields (wife, Melanie) of Lima, Ohio; several nieces and nephews.

Friends and family will gather from 4 to 8pm, on Tuesday, March 15, 2016, at Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel in Monrovia. The Funeral Service will begin at 12 Noon, on Wednesday, March 16, 2016, at the Monrovia United Methodist Church, 60 S. Church St. Monrovia. Immediately following services, Jane will be carried by horse drawn hearse, to her final resting place, in West Union Cemetery, Monrovia. Memorial contributions may be made to the Morgan County Humane Society. To share a favorite memory, send an online condolence to the family or light a candle in her memory visit www.lightmemorial.com

Cemetery Details

West Union Cemetery

2038 W. SR 42
Monrovia, IN 46157

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 15. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel
585 East Main Street
Monrovia, IN 46157
(317) 996-2101
<https://www.lightmemorial.com>

Service

MAR 16. 12:00 PM (ET)

Monrovia United Methodist Church
60 S. Church Street
Monrovia, IN 46157

Tribute Wall

CB

“ Jane is a dear friend and cousin of mine. We enjoyed sharing the Paul family photos together. What a talented and warm person she was! I will miss her phone calls and visits. God Bless her family! con nieballou@yahoo.com

connie ballou - September 06, 2018 at 12:47 PM

GT

“ Jane was my 7th grade art teacher at Wilson Jr. High in Columbus. She is one of 3 teachers who had a tremendous influence on my life. I had kept in touch with her until 2-3 years ago when there was no answer on her number - then later it had been disconnected. I have tried and tried to find her - wanted to visit her again. She and I shared a love of horses, and she inspired in me a love of adventure, a zest for life, a love of art and music, and a love for interesting people and places. I'm so sorry I didn't get to visit her these last few years. Tink, my phone number is 816-337-2321 -- Please call me.

Gloria Throne - March 30, 2016 at 09:46 AM

YV

“ So sorry for everyones loss. Our thoughts to all of you.
Steve and Yvonne Johnson

Yvonne - March 23, 2016 at 01:02 PM



Charles
Coslett

“ Mrs. Shields you will always be in my heart. You were a great teacher who always had a wonderful story to share. You love for people and art was uncompered.

Charles Coslett - March 16, 2016 at 08:19 AM

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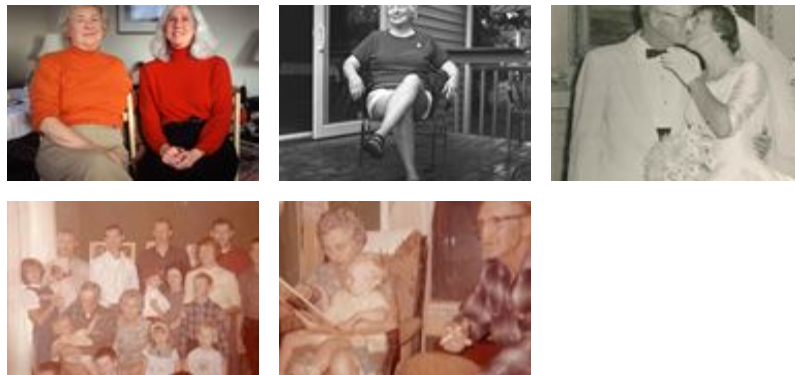
“ To Jane's family:
I was Principal at Mooresville High School for 27 years until 2001. During that time and for approx. 15 yrs. Jane was a loyal substitute teacher and such an outstanding part of our staff. I know she is fondly remembered by those students and staff who were privileged to have known her.
God Bless JANE

*BILL OVERHOLSER.
MOORESVILLE*

Bill Overholser - March 15, 2016 at 04:21 PM



“ 136 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Light Memorial & Funeral Chapel - March 14, 2016 at 08:58 PM

DA

“ *Always a delighting pleasure to visit with... be across the lunch table when she subbed at Mooresville where I first met her or just running across her at the festivals or other such places .. usually with Tink. She lived a good life.. and showered us all with it then...as the fond sweet memories will now.*

Don Adams - March 14, 2016 at 09:02 AM

AJ

“ Peace to Jane's family. Heaven has gained another angel. Sincerely, Gregory Ward Paul , Melvin Paul, and Charles Paul. Sons of Harold Paul and Mary Frances Paul (Monrovia and Coatesville, IN.)

ajparker@comcast.net - March 13, 2016 at 11:47 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Jane Shields Williams.



March 13, 2016 at 03:14 PM

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“ The Paul and Viola Shields Family purchased the A New Sunrise Spray for the family of Jane Shields Williams.



The Paul and Viola Shields Family - March 12, 2016 at 03:06 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Jane Shields Williams.



March 12, 2016 at 12:31 AM