



B. Joan Mitchell

July 4, 1936 - December 3, 2019

Joan Mitchell, 83, passed away on Tuesday, December 3rd, at home. Joan, a native of Shelbyville, graduated from Eastern Kentucky University with a B.S. and M.A. degree. She taught Physical Education at Holmes High School for 30 years and coached basketball there for 23 years and volleyball and softball for 14 years. In college, she was a member of Collegiate Pentacle, a Senior Womens' Honorary, and a member of Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

Joan received many awards and accolades during her lifetime. She is in the Covington Public Schools Athletic Hall of Fame; the Northern Kentucky Sports Hall of Fame; and the prestigious Kentucky High School Athletic Association Hall of Fame. She received the Kentucky Girls' Sports Association Service Award; the Northern Kentucky Athletic Directors' Distinguished Service Award; the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Service Award; and the Greater Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky Womens' Sports Association Lifetime Service Award.

Service was, indeed, one of Joan's outstanding traits. She served on several local and state organizations and pursued tirelessly the never-ending battle of improving, equalizing, supporting, and promoting girls' sports. Countless students and athletes can thank Joan for nurturing, caring for, and loving them. Of all the awards Joan ever received, she would agree that her greatest

achievement was helping “her kids” be the best they could be.

In 2004, Joan was presented another special award; the Kentucky High School Athletic Association Legend in Her Own Time. She truly was a legend in her own time.

She is survived by life long friend of 53 years, Donna Wolfe, a nephew, Bart Gover, 2 great-nieces: Ella and Eddie, a great-nephew, Ethan, and a niece, Brook Gover Mills. Her family invites her friends to join in the recognition of Joan’s life and to come and share your stories and memories. There will be a celebration of life on Saturday, December 14th, from 11-2 p.m., at the Hebron Church of Christ, 2966 Damascus Rd., Hebron, Ky. Memorials are suggested to the Boone County Animal Shelter, 5643 Idlewild Rd., Burlington, KY 41005. Woodhead Funeral Home, Falmouth, is serving the family.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC **14**. 11:00 AM - 2:00 PM (ET)

Hebron Church of Christ
2966 Damascus Road

Hebron, KY 41048

Tribute Wall

MT

“ I Minnie Marksberry want to said she help me to believe in myself. Taught to be the best played volleyball basketball softball for 4 years. Wonderful person. I have spoke many of her over the years what a good person was.

Minnie Marksberry Truax of NC

Minnie Marksberry Truax - July 30, 2020 at 12:02 AM

BF

“ We would like to express our deepest sympathy and condolences to Ms. Donna Wolfe and the family of Ms. Joan Mitchell. Both were my teacher and basketball coach at Holmes High School in the '80s. May the Lord continue to bless all.



Billy & Donna (Conrad) Frazier & Family

Billy & Donna (Conrad) Frazier - December 12, 2019 at 07:33 PM

BF

“ I will always miss my dear friend ! RIP Now!!

Becky Fisher - December 12, 2019 at 03:23 PM

MK

“ My Condolences to Donna & Family in the LOSS of your LOVED ONE. She was an Awesome PE Teacher, that I had the Privilege of having at Holmes.

Sincerely, Mabel Ferrell Kelley {65}

Mabel Kelley - December 10, 2019 at 01:35 PM

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“ We were so saddened to hear of Joan's passing. She was truly a remarkable lady. It was our pleasure and privilege to have known Joan, both personally and professionally, for many years. The world is a better place because she walked among us. Her kindness, energy, strength, and influence will live on in the hearts of all those whose lives she touched.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Donna and the Mitchell family during this difficult time.

With deepest sympathy,

Lou and Donna Arnzen Dahmann and family

Joann Arnzen Thinnies and family

Lou, Donna, Joann & families - December 10, 2019 at 12:13 AM