



Bethany Jane Krauss

July 24, 1948 - May 5, 2019

Bethany Jane Krauss, age 70 of Farwell, passed away Sunday, May 5, 2019 at home. Bethany was born the daughter of the late Clarence and Audrey (Whitcotten) Kaufman on July 24, 1948 in Saginaw. She was united in marriage to Michael Krauss on August 20, 1994 in Tecumseh. Bethany earned Masters Degrees in Education. She taught Music and Elementary education for 26 years, the majority of those years were spent as a First Grade teacher in Tecumseh Public Schools. She was a Mentor and Cooperating Teacher for beginning teachers. Bethany had been very active in church where she led and participated in the choirs and served in Church leadership. She enjoyed her time spent mentoring in the MOPS (Mothers Of PreSchoolers) program. Bethany enjoyed Gospel Music and Hymns; also Gardening and Bird Watching.

Bethany is survived by her husband Michael; children Elizabeth (Ville) Suoranta of Charlottesville, Virginia and Benjamin (Jami) Hill of Dundee; her sister Rebekah Britton of Flint; grandchildren Ashlyn Hill, Cole Hill and Connor Gwilt; nieces and nephews Kimberlee Britton of Burt, Tammy (Gary) Niarhas of Wilson, Scott Britton of Flint, Jeffrey Britton of Burt and Angela (Spencer) Nebel of Newport, Oregon. She was predeceased by a niece Kathie Britton. In keeping with her wishes cremation has taken place. Memorial contributions are suggested to the American Diabetes Association, Alzheimer's Association, the Daybreak Adult Day Services of Adrian or the Seasons Adult Day Health Service of Midland. Arrangements were handled by the Farwell Chapel of

Stephenson-Wyman Funeral Home. On-line guestbook at www.stephenson-wyman.com

Tribute Wall

RC

“ So glad I got to be Jane’s caregiver unfortunately didn’t know her before that horrible disease got to her , but from what I know she was a great person praying for peace and comfort for Mike and his family and all that knew Jane

Rachel Cordle - May 09, 2019 at 09:40 AM

VM

I am so blessed to have been Jane's friend. She enriched my life in so many ways. Professionally and academically. I was her student teacher and learned so much from her example and guidance. Jane was a progressive teacher... always looking for new and better ways to improve her teaching. She was not afraid of using technology in her teaching...fortunately... her husband Mike was a technology "guru" and was always willing to help her.

She wanted to prepare her students for the world of learning through technology as well. She taught her students the proper way to keyboard by using Alpha Smarts which resembled a computer keyboard. I questioned them being too young to have the finger span to be able to reach the keys properly. She responded, "Well, they don't know that!"

When it came time to teach animal habitats. her room was transformed into all of the different animals' living environments.

These are just a few examples of the teaching skills I learned from Jane. As I mentioned above, she enriched me spiritually as well. She spent whole year mentoring a woman who had just become a Christian... patiently answering all of her questions.

Speaking of patience... when I was in ICU due to a stroke suffered from a brain aneurysm... my husband asked Jane to come sit with me because he felt he needed to go to work. Jane sat quietly beside me reading just holding my hand the whole time. Her quiet presence made me feel so safe and secure. I could feel the peace of the Holy Spirit flowing from her hand to mine.

Jane's strong faith carried her through her illness as well. When she could still communicate, I never heard her question.

"Why did the Lord allow this to happen to me?" I only heard her say, "I wonder why the Lord doesn't just take me home now?" You see... Jane wasn't afraid of dying because she knew for certain that she would be spending eternity with her Heavenly Father... but she was worried about living and being a burden on her family. That's the kind of person was... always thinking of others.

I had the privilege of spending time with her the day before she passed away. As I held her hand, she looked at me with her kind, loving eyes... giving me one of her beautiful smiles... and once again... I could feel the Holy Spirit flowing through her hand to mine and reaching into my heart filled with such love and thankfulness for knowing this wonderful woman!!!

Goodbye my dear friend. I will see you again in Heaven.

Val McLetran - May 13, 2019 at 10:13 AM

JK

“*Jane has been my dear friend since I first met her at Tecumseh Acres where I was to teach first grade. I had never taught first grade so Jane took me under her wing and we have been buddies ever since. Heaven is sweeter because of her presence, but she will be greatly missed by all of us who have been blessed to know her.*

Joyanne Kerr

Joyanne Kerr - May 08, 2019 at 01:38 PM

PN

“*There will never be a greater friend, neighbor, or colleague. Greatly missed...*

The Northrup family

Pat Northrup - May 07, 2019 at 04:43 PM

CE

“*Michael,*

Words seem so little at times like this. I'm glad I know you Michael Krauss. I will continue to pray for you. I'm thankful that Jayne is at rest with her Lord. Hope to see you again sometime.

Your friend,

Chuck Estep

Chuck Estep - May 07, 2019 at 01:45 PM

TJ

What a beautiful lady. I am so glad we were able to meet her through Daybreak. She most certainly is amongst the Angel's spreading joy to others.

Tammy Jewell - May 08, 2019 at 06:45 PM

MR

She was a wonderful lady and an example to all. Our deepest sympathies.

Merlin Rajala - May 09, 2019 at 03:01 PM