



Sara Holgate

February 22, 2012

Obituary of Sara Holgate

Sara A. Holgate, 73, Summerfield, FL, died Wednesday, February 22, 2012. She was born in Portland, OR and moved to Summerfield in October 2005. She was Presbyterian by faith. Ms. Holgate's previous residences were Pittsburgh, PA, Baton Rouge, LA, and Allentown, PA. She was a 1956 graduate of Yakima High School.

Sara was retired in 1991 as an educator of high school english and music at Woodland Hills School District, Pittsburgh, PA. She received her Bachelor of Arts from Concordia College in Moorehead, MN, where she was also a member of the choir, and her Master's degree from Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh, PA in english literature. She was a former member and board member of the Pennsylvania State Education Association (PSEA) and member of Delta Kappa Gamma.

She is survived by her friend and partner Nancy Noonan, Summerfield, FL and cousins Phyllis Dieckmann, Kirkland, WA and Jo Robertson, Portland, OR.

Graveside services for Ms. Sara Holgate will be held on Wednesday March 21, 2012 at 2:00 PM, at Terrace Heights Memorial Park, 3001 Terrace Heights Drive, Yakima, WA 98901.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to the Scleroderma Foundation, 300 Rosewood Drive, Suite 105, Danvers, MA or Hubbard House Family and Care Facility, 29 W. Miller Street, Orlando, FL 32806.

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MF

“ My deepest condolences to Nancy. Sara was devoted to enhancing teaching as a profession and it was a privilege to serve with her on the IPD Council. May she rest in peace knowing hers was a job well done.

Margaret Furlong - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SM

“ Ms. Noonan - My deepest sympathies on the loss of Sara Holgate. She was one of my absolute favorite teachers. I had her for Project English and for Orchestra. I played along side her in the pit orchestra for our high school musicals. Her passion for music and literature were infectious. May the love of God, family, and friends be of comfort to you as you grieve her passing.

Suzanne Hoffman McCann - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

FG

“ To Sara Holgate's family and friends -- Please accept my condolences on Sara's passing. She was my journalism teacher at Churchill for the first two years of the school's existence, and in that capacity she led us in the founding of the school newspaper, *The Charter*. Sara was a challenging teacher, one whom I have always appreciated because of her insistence on journalistic style -- telling the what-why-when-where-who-how of the story, using an "inverted pyramid" form of writing, where the most important details are at the top, and keeping opinion separate from reporting. I also appreciated her love of music, and I recall attending a recital she gave while we all were at CAHS. May God comfort her survivors, and may the good memories carry you beyond your grief to a place of peace. Sincerely, Fred Glasser - CAHS 1965

Frederick Glasser - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Dear Nancy, Sara was a favorite teacher of mine when I attended Churchill Area High School and a respected colleague among the staff when I returned a few years later as a teacher. What an inspiration she was! Please accept my deepest condolences. Marty

Marty Sixsmith Beachler - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ Dear Nancy, May Sara finally rest in peace after her long struggle. We will be keepng you in our thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. May the grace of God comfort you. Andy and Kathy Jones, Ebensburg PA (Friends of Ed and Kay)

Andyand Kathy Jones, Ebensburg PA - October 01, 2014 at 12:00 AM