



## Elizabeth Hope Peterman

November 29, 2009

Elizabeth Hope Peterman, 63, of Cape Girardeau died Sunday, Nov. 29, 2009, at her home. She was born Nov. 24, 1946, in San Diego, to Larry and Pauline Davis. She married Neal Frederic Peterman on June 21, 1969. They happily celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary this year. She was a graduate of Central High School and earned a teaching degree from Southeast Missouri State University. She was a teacher at Central Junior High School. Hope loved teaching, and, above all, she loved her students. During her teaching career she was a mentor, friend and inspiration to many young people. But it was perhaps Hope's proudest accomplishment to be an outstanding mother and to raise her three children. Survivors include her husband, Neal Peterman of Cape Girardeau; a daughter, Amanda Hope Peterman of Las Vegas; a son, Neal Lars Peterman of Cape Girardeau; daughter-in-law, Lesa Beth Peterman; her beautiful 5-month-old grandson, Lex Lawrence Peterman; a sister, Alison Dunstan of Memphis, Tenn.; and a niece, Margaret Dunstan of Memphis. She was preceded in death by her parents; and a beloved daughter, Carrie Elizabeth Peterman. Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday, December 3, 2009 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home. The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Friday, December 3, 2009 at the funeral home, with the Rev. Mark Anderson officiating. Burial will be in Cape County Memorial Park. It is Hope's kind heart and loving ways that will forever live on in the hearts of her family and friends.



# Tribute Wall

JA

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I will always remember Hope and I working on many school projects together at Alma Schrader. She was a great person who will be sadly missed. Jean

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**Jean Aslinger** - June 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ Amanda, Lars, and Neal, My heart is hurting after reading online the story about my wonderful friend Hope--from where I live here in Atlanta. She always had that special sunshine about her that brightened our days back at dear old Schultz. I told my friends here at Heritage Prep School yesterday that she was truly the personification of everything her name stood for--hope. Please know we are lifting up your family in our prayers. --Pat

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**Pat heckert** - May 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ My family and I want to pass on our prayers and condolences for Neal, Lars and family, and Amanda. My sisters Krista, Hayley, and myself each went to school with the Peterman clan. We are praying for the "peace that surpasses understanding" to settle on you and for her very name, Hope, to live on in your lives and the lives of those still to come in the heritage of her grandchildren. Countless blessings to your family...

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**Brandy Bridges Storck** - April 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SP

“ Dear Peterson Family, I am truly sad about Hope's early passing; it is a tragedy to lose her so soon. Hope and I were friends in school and had "sleep-overs" at one another's homes. Hope and "Jinx" were funny together as sisters, laughing and joking. Hope was a lovely person inside and outside, a good friend with a dear heart, and a special person to me and to many others. She will be fondly remembered. Sheila Hopkins Phillips

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**Sheila (Neary) Hopkins Phillips** - April 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ Please accept our deepest sympathy of your loss of Hope. Your Devore family members send our love and condolences.

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**Jackie DeVore-Retherford** - March 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ I had Mrs. Peterman as a teacher back in the early to mid 70's. I have always thought about her. I thought she was so nice and very beautiful. She was a kind and wonderful teacher. I have always remembered a story she told us about her husband trying to impress her and knocking his teeth out. That story stuck with me all these years. Please accept our condolences. Her students will always remember her.

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**Colleen Murphy Fehl** - March 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Mrs. Peterman was my teacher just last year. She was my favorite teacher of all time. I know she will be missed by many, myself included.

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**Jacob Marberry** - March 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Dear Family of Hope, She was my friend that gave me many times of laughter and fun. We also cried together over things that happened in both our families. I understood her and she always knew exactly how I felt. I am sorry that I didn't get to say goodbye but I am happy that you she is now in heaven with her lovely Carrie and her parents. If she can still know of the early things, she knows how much she will be missed and how very much she is loved. Her friend, Susan

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**Susan Hutteger** - March 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ Both of my children -- Steve 2 and Jennifer -- were in Mrs. Peterman's class, and even though both of them really don't care for English, they loved Mrs. Peterman! I only met her a few times, but I remember her beautiful smile, gracious attitude, and all-around warmth. My condolences go to her family -- I will keep you in my prayers.

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**Patti Miinch** - March 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BH

“ I will always remember Hope for her sense of humor, kindness towards others and a great big sister to my high school friend Alison (Jinx). My thoughts are with the entire family during this difficult time.

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**Brad Haynes** - March 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Dear Neal, Hope's Children and Jinx, Hope and I went to school together from 1st grade through college, church together, and Girl Scouts together. She was the epitome of grace and beauty. We had lost touch through the years, but I always thought of her as a good friend. I'm so sorry for your loss.

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**Sondra Cotner Cook** - March 12, 2009 at 12:00 AM