



## Margaret Louise Moore

June 30, 1925 - November 14, 2014

Margaret Louise (Shelton) Moore, 89, passed away at 10:47AM Friday, November 14, 2014 at Harrisburg Medical Center.

Margaret was born June 30, 1925 in Louisville, Kentucky to Clarence Sr. and Era Viola (Netherland) Shelton. She married James Fredrick Moore on October 28, 1944 in New Orleans, Louisiana at the Church of Christ at 7th and Camp St. by Frank McMullins. Together they shared 70 plus wonderful years. They enjoyed and had a great journey.

Margaret graduated from Cairo High School in Cairo, Illinois. She earned a BS, Masters, and PH.D from SIU Carbondale. She retired from Harrisburg School System on June 1, 1994. She also was a part-time instructor in SIU-C.

She and her husband, Fred, with grandchildren and elderly parents traveled all 50 states, all Canadian provinces, most Mexican states, Europe, China, Russia, Australia, New Zealand, Fiji Islands and South America.

Margaret was a member of the First Baptist Church of Harrisburg, Daughters of the American Revolution, and served non-profit organizations to help others. She was a 4-H and Girl Scout leader. Each year she had 4-H members going to the Illinois State Fair and doing very well.

Margaret was highly competitive all her life. In Mississippi while attending public schools she participated in girls track teams and at one time held the state records for broad jumping and one of the short track races. As an employee of the Harrisburg Public Schools she was able to secure a cable TV channel for the school at no cost to the school. This would not have been possible without the strong support of Mayor Ron Morse. She secured the Texas Tie-in Distant Learning Program at no cost to the school. This was 15 years in the making and not possible without support from U.S. Senator Ed Kennedy. She had input on the location of the libraries at the Eastside and Westside Elementary Schools. This would not have been possible without the leadership and support of Jack Simmons and the board. She also was involved with moving the Public Library from Church Street to its present location and updating the library from a collection of books to its facility including computers, children's area, and up to date services. This modification would not have been possible without the leadership and drive of Alice Barnes.

Margaret and Fred are the proudest of their achievements of their children; Forrest, Marsha and Cheryl. They are good outstanding, self -supporting American citizens.

Margaret is survived by her husband, son, Forrest (Elizabeth) Moore of Fincastle, Virginia; daughters, Marsha (Al) Cole of Glen St. Mary, Florida, Cheryl (Mark) Bradley of Collinsville, Illinois; 5 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents.

Friends may call on Thursday, November 20, 2014 from 11AM to 12PM at Crain Funeral Home in Cairo. Interment will follow at 12:30PM at Mound City National Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Elementary School Libraries in *c/o* of the Harrisburg School Superintendent.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret Louise Moore*

October 23, 2023 at 06:26 AM



“ *So very sorry to hear of Mrs. Moore's passing. I had the privilege of treating her as a patient in our dental office for many many years. Prayers sent for this sweet lady and her family, Sincerely, Amy Hawkins*

**Amy Hawkins** - November 19, 2014 at 08:49 PM



“ *Dr. Moore was an amazing person. She had incredible foresight and imagination; leading Hbg schools into a technological future that the rest of us could only glimpse thru her eyes. She was far ahead of anyone else and took us with her. Harrisburg and it's schools have lost an advocate and leader. It was a privilege and pleasure to know and work with her.*

**Jean Powell** - November 19, 2014 at 01:29 PM



“ *Martha McCreery lit a candle in memory of Margaret Louise Moore*



**Martha McCreery** - November 17, 2014 at 06:52 PM

DY

“ Dan Yahne lit a candle in memory of Margaret Louise Moore



Dan Yahne - November 16, 2014 at 09:28 PM

DY

“ I first met Dr. Moore in 1968 when she was teaching a cataloging class at SIU. Seven years later she and Jack Simmons gave me what was the opportunity of a lifetime when they recommended to the Board of Education that I be employed in Harrisburg schools . Her leadership locally as well as her professional networking were an asset to Unit 3 and to me personally. For the 20 years that followed my employment Dr. Moore taught me every day how I should view education and the importance of what we were doing in making productive citizens of the students we had an opportunity to influence. For me, Dr. Moore became a hero , a legend, and a true lady. For many of us, Dr. Moore is without a doubt the greatest contributor to our educational success . She will be missed.

Dan Yahne - November 16, 2014 at 09:19 PM

CO

“ What a wonderful lady and mentor to all of us teachers in the "new" technology world. She was a visionary for Harrisburg Schools. She was my friend and I will miss her.

Cynthia Overstreet - November 16, 2014 at 09:13 PM

BF

“ Dr. Moore was a true leader to all librarians and wanted the best library possible for each one of us. It was a privilege to know her.

Brenda Funkhouser - November 16, 2014 at 08:50 PM

CW

“ Cheryl Walston lit a candle in memory of Margaret Louise Moore



Cheryl Walston - November 16, 2014 at 12:42 PM

CH

“ I knew Dr. Moore from my childhood. She lived one block over and I used to visit her house by walking through the neighborhood yards. Then when grown I learned what an inspiring educator she was when I joined the Harrisburg school system. Her sage advice was always valuable and what she gave to the students of Harrisburg inestimable.



Cathy (Williams) Hammersley

Catherine Hammersley - November 16, 2014 at 08:00 AM

KB

“ My family was neighbors when I was growing up. They were having a Halloween party when I was little. They had made a haunted house in the basement. It scared me to death. I was crying and she sat with me and calmed me down. Many good memories at her house. Sorry for the loss for her family.

Kristy Norman Boulds - November 15, 2014 at 04:48 PM

BE

“ *Very sorry to hear this. I have never known anyone quite like her. She was the reason I got hired by Harrisburg School system. I hope I never gave her reason to regret the support she gave me. I learned so much about what a school library should be from her.*

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**Betty** - November 15, 2014 at 01:50 PM

LD

“ *So sorry to hear this. She included me at Pope Co. in several projects. I really learned a lot from her. She had great future vision and set a standard that we all tried to reach. She was a wonderful lady. RIP Dr. Moore.  
Praying for your family  
Leah Dugan*

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**Leah Dugan** - November 15, 2014 at 01:28 PM

JR

“ *Dr. Moore was all about education -- how to maximize its impact. Leading by supporting! As a green grade school teacher, I quickly learned my best ally was Margaret. I called her in her cellar (the basement of Central Office) and said "I need help with ....." She never told me NO! She always came up with a way to help students visualize the concept. Visionary, she inspired me so much, that I obtained a Masters in Library Sciences and hopefully, am carrying on her SPARK -- a positive attitude and CAN DO spirit! A sharp mind, a cool head, and a general's determination to GET THE JOB DONE! Rest in peace, dear lady. My sympathy to the family. Janie Barger Richey*

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**Janie Barger Richey** - November 15, 2014 at 11:46 AM

CI

“ I am so sad to hear the passing of Dr. Margaret Moore - WOW what a life she had. She was the greatest woman I knew. Dr. Moore took me under her wing when I was 13 and planned my life for me. What an amazing job she did guiding me through school and into my career. She was my hero! You will always be remembered!



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**Cindy** - November 15, 2014 at 11:28 AM