



## Mrs. Anne Planck

February 11, 1938 - January 23, 2013

Anne Planck, 74, of Cortland, N.Y. passed away peacefully at home January 23. Mom was born in Groton, Connecticut, the daughter of George E. and Helen (Brisland) Nevader. The family moved to Windsor, N.Y. in 1947, where Mom and her siblings Jerry (Chris) Nevader of Rouses Point, N.Y., Eileen Tasber of Newark Valley, N.Y. Maureen (Dick) Hover of Endicott, N.Y. and Dan Nevader (predeceased) spent many years living in a wonderful, old farmhouse with a babbling creek and 88 acres full of assorted fruit trees. Mom later went to Cortland State to receive her Master's degree in Education. It was in Cortland that she met the love of her life, Sterling Planck Jr. (predeceased). After a few years of dating, they were married and purchased their one and only home on a street full of wonderful neighbors they shared life with over the next 50 years. Nine months later they were blessed with their first born daughter, Terri Planck (Jim Carriero) of Selkirk, N.Y. and 14 months later welcomed their second daughter Beth (Todd) Gray of Canton, Connecticut.

Mom returned to work at F.S. Barry Elementary School from 1976-2001. She was passionate about educating children and teaching them to be the best that they could be in life. Mom was famous to her students for reading James and the Giant Peach, Lafcadio, The Polar Express and The Big Friendly Giant. Just this past Christmas she received a card from a previous student about the fact she had touched his life as his teacher.

Mom was very active as a communicant of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church, Relay for Life, sitting on the board of the YWCA and volunteering at the Cortland Regional Medical Center in the coffee shop and help desk. Mom also filled her time with beautiful friends that touched her life so meaningfully. She for certain will be especially missed by Bev, Ginny, Chopper and Eileen who were by her side to the end.

Anne leaves behind three glorious granddaughters that will forever continue her legacy. Khloé Houlihan will continue her Nauni's beautiful heart filled with kindness, love and compassion. Molli Powers continues her Nauni's "shoot for the stars" goals in life and love of travel. Madeline Houlihan will forever have her Nauni's spunk, humor and smile to share with our family and others when we need it the most and Jordan Gray will carry on Nauni's carefree spirit about not taking life too seriously and to enjoy every moment of it. Anne is also survived by several nieces and nephews.

Lastly, Mom was cared by some very special caretakers ( Carla,Stacey, Liz, Irene, Tim and Dr.Caudrey) that loved and treated her like family when we were not in town. We are so very grateful for them.

A mass will be held to celebrate her life on Saturday, February 2,2013 at 11:00a.m. In St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church with Reverend Lucian Urbaniak serving as the celebrant. There are no calling hours. The family has asked to honor their Mom's wishes that flowers be given to the living and not when she had passed. Contributions in honor of Mom may be made to to Cortland Community SPCA 879 McLean Rd. Cortland,N.Y. or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis,TN 38105-3678 Arrangements are under the direction of Riccardi Funeral Home, Cortland,N.Y.  
[www.riccardifuneralhome.com](http://www.riccardifuneralhome.com)

# Comments

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“ Beth & Terri and family's, May god give you strength and love to help you through this difficult time. She was a beautiful Lady, and teaching in heaven.  
All my love,  
Kit Michel  
(class of 81)

**Kit Michel** - May 18, 2018 at 11:21 AM

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“ I had the pleasure of knowing Anne through our work together planning Relay for Life for many years. I will remember her ever-present smile and laugh, and the way she always lit up and made a big fuss when she was around my little girls. She will definitely be missed.

**Mary Ellen Ensign** - May 18, 2018 at 11:21 AM

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“ MRS. PLANCK' CLASSROOM WAS A WARM, EMBRACING PLACE. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DID FOR OUR DAUGHTERS. REST IN PEACE.

**DIANE BERNSTEIN** - May 18, 2018 at 11:21 AM

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“ Mrs. Plank was one of my most favorite teachers. She encouraged me to believe in myself and taught me the values of love, compassion, and humor. She made you feel important, like you mattered. Even years later when I would see her, she would remember my name and ask about my family. She was an important part of my childhood and I am so grateful that Mrs. Plank was part of my life. I will keep your family in my thoughts and prayers.

**Rachel Gucwa** - May 18, 2018 at 11:21 AM

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“ Anne was a friend to all she met. I became acquainted with her through friends and then worked with her on the Walkie Talkies team for the Relay for Life and also at the CRMC as volunteers. What a remarkable lady! She always had a smile and a warm comforting way about her. Anne will be missed by many and many will be blessed with wonderful memories. My sympathies and prayers are with Anne's family.

**Judy Swartwout** - May 18, 2018 at 11:21 AM

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“ The joy of reading, excitement for learning, and love of life! Three life skills she taught to her students and parents as well. Ann Planck was the best of us. She was our children's favorite teacher at Barry school and a great friend to anyone lucky enough to have known her. She will be missed but never forgotten.

**The Polanko-Baker family** - May 18, 2018 at 11:21 AM

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“ Beth, Terri & your family. So sorry for your lost. Anne was a wonderful friend.

**Nicholas Daluisio** - May 18, 2018 at 11:21 AM

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“ Mrs. Planck was a wonderful teacher who had the ability to make each of her students feel special. The further I progress in my own educational career, I realize what an amazing gift that truly is. I know it was a long time ago, but I cannot remember a day when she didn't have a smile on her face. She had command of her classroom, but never needed to raise her voice. It has been 27 years since I walked in her classroom and I still have all of these memories. When my students ask me who my favorite teacher was there is never any hesitation, "Mrs. Planck" and then they get to hear all the great stories from my 2nd grade year. You will be missed.  
James Garcia  
Dean of Students The Webb School

**James Garcia** - May 18, 2018 at 11:21 AM

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“ Fond memories of your Mom, Dad and Grandfather over the years. Sharing this with you and the family... "Gone is her body; etched is her spirit." My deepest sympathy to all that she leaves behind.

**Michael Sheppard** - May 18, 2018 at 11:21 AM



“ Terry, Beth and families,

I want to express my sincere condolences for the loss of your mother. As you know, she was frequently our substitute teacher at Franklin S. Barry. I can remember she took over full-time math class when Ms. (Robbins) Wilkins got pregnant.

I remember how she loved John Denver and would play him quietly in the classroom during IPPI math class. Most of all, I remember her smile, a beautiful full smile. She was a caring teacher with charisma to spare. There are simply not enough of those.

I know it will be difficult for you and your respective families. Surround yourself with the ones you love.

Take Care,  
Steve Scales

**Steve Scales** - May 18, 2018 at 11:21 AM