



## Delores "Jane" Minnock

February 14, 1950 - April 20, 2005

Delores Jane Minnock, 55, Topeka, passed away, Wednesday, April 20, 2005.

Jane was born on February 14, 1950, in Wakefield, KS, the daughter of Everett and Flora Milani Alsop. She graduated Wakefield High School. She earned her Bachelor's and Master's degrees at Emporia State University.

Jane and Edward W. Minnock, Jr. were married in 1970. They later divorced.

Jane was a special education teacher at McClure Elementary School, and a member of Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church.

Survivors include her daughter, Kelly Barnett, son-in-law, Thayne, and grandson, Cody, Topeka; her son, Eddie Minnock, and daughter-in-law, Pantea, New York, NY; her mother, Flora Alsop, Wakefield; brother, Ed Alsop, Lawrence; sisters, Sophie Mallon, Emporia, and Annie Heard, Laramie, WY; and special friend and companion, Ken Peterson, Topeka.

Jane will lie in state and family will greet friends from 4 to 6 p.m. Friday at Most Pure Heart of Mary Church where a parish rosary will be prayed at 5 p.m. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 6 p.m. at the Church. Burial will be 10 a.m. Saturday at Memorial Park Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to Topeka School Fund in memory of Jane Minnock, sent in care of Kevin Brennan Family Funeral Home, 2801 SW Urish Rd., Topeka, KS 66614.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Delores "Jane" Minnock*

January 28, 2023 at 12:08 PM



“ *Please accept our condolences on your loss. We met Jane a few years ago and thought she was a wonderful, kind-hearted person. Your are with us in our thoughts. Peace.*  
*Jeannie and Mike Francis*

**Jeannie and Mike Francis** - April 24, 2005 at 02:53 PM



“ *Our hearts go out to your family in this time of sadness. We are sorry for your loss and will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers.*

**Joann & Eric Davis** - April 24, 2005 at 01:03 PM



“ *Jane Minnock was a gracious host when I travelled cross country many years back and stayed with her in Topeka. She was a wonderful dance partner at the wedding of Eddie and Pantea in NJ. Jane brightened a drive home to NYC with her stories and her genuine interest in those around her. She will be missed by all who were lucky enough to meet her. We all send our thoughts and prayers to the Minnock family and friends.*

**Todd Mansfield** - April 22, 2005 at 05:50 PM

AR

“ I am very sorry to hear about Jane. I will say a little prayer for her. I know that you will all miss her very much.

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**ally rothrock** - April 22, 2005 at 05:09 PM

LC

“ Kelly and Family,  
You are in my thoughts and prayers. I was fortunate to meet your mother in a Mandt training session. She was a thoughtful, nurturing, pleasant person. I can see her thoughtfulness and kindness expressed in you. Let God be your comfort in this difficult time. God Bless and keep you and your family.

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**Laura Cluke** - April 22, 2005 at 03:30 PM

SS

“ Dear Family,  
John and I wanted to send our love and prayers to you as we remember Jane in the fondest of ways: her thoughtfulness, and her caring attitude for all persons, young and old.

*I worked with Jane for a number of years as her para at McClure. I never saw her get upset and was always upbeat in any situation. She was a model professionalism and a wonderful friend.*

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**Sue Sander** - April 22, 2005 at 02:19 PM

CM

“ To Jane's Family and Loved Ones:

*I cannot express to all of you how very sorry I am. I taught with Jane for many years and know the esteem in which she was held by all of her peers. She was a wonderful, caring, and good person who enriched the lives of those around her. God bless all of you.*

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**Carolyn Meinzer** - April 22, 2005 at 12:02 PM

TF

“ *What is there left to say about one of the best educators our children have ever had. The void she has left can never be filled. Her warm smile, her uncanny ability to have a kind word, to always see the good in everyone. She is truly an inspiration to anyone who cares for children. Like my son reminds us of everytime he sees us tear up... "Ms. Minnock is needed in heaven right now to teach the kid-angels phonics and math. And she has her halo and wings". We love her so much that is the only explanation we can have faith in. We hope and pray that her family can get through this difficult time, and know she was so loved. God bless you.*

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**The Gentry Family** - April 22, 2005 at 10:56 AM

SS

“ *Dear All,*

*Jane was such a special person in that she really cared about people and children. She touched so many lives including mine. I was her para for many years at McClure and she was the professional that told me that I should go back to college and finish my degree. She even asked me to take a class, from KU, with her to see if I could do it. So we took the course and both of us receive A's in that class. I started college that Fall and finished my degree from Washburn.*

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**Sue Sander** - April 22, 2005 at 10:44 AM

TM

“ You are in my thoughts and prayers. Ken, I had the great pleasure of meeting you at Jane's house. There are no words to tell you how sorry I am for you. Please let me know if you need anything. She spoke of you often.

Kelli and Eddie, I am so sorry. Your mom was very dear to me. Her energy and enthusiasm made my day every day when I came to McClure and I looked forward to the times on my schedule that I got to come to her room to see and work with her and the children. She was wonderfully creative and her students all loved her. She was definitely born with a gift for teaching. I had several really nice conversations with her before and after school just this week and she was always telling me about you and how proud she is of both of you. Eddie, your mom was so happy she got to come to New York to see you. She spoke about you and the visit a great deal.

Please let me know if you need ANYTHING. Your mom would drop everything in order to help her friends so please do not be afraid to ask. I am sure there is a long line of people who feel the same way.

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**Tammy Miller** - April 22, 2005 at 10:32 AM

JM

“ We are very so sorry for your loss and will keep your family in our prayers. Jane was a wonderful person and always greeted us with a smile. We knew Jane because my daughters'school is McClure Elementary. Jane had a special connection with my daughter, Rebecca and she always had a hug for her. Rebecca always looked forward to seeing Jane at church. She will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

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**Jennifer Meyer** - April 22, 2005 at 10:26 AM

LG

“ Eddie and Kelly - I, as well as Kenny and April were so sorry to hear about your mother's death. She and I had a wonderful conversation a few months ago and the love she had for you and your families was just tremendous. What a great lady. Eddie, I still remember you when you use to come over to our house on Twilight and play with Kenny. What great memories! Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.

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**Linn Goodell** - April 22, 2005 at 09:01 AM

VH

“ I am very sorry about your loss, Kelly and Eddie. Jane had been a great friend, and a wonderful person to me. She is greatly missed by all of us, especially her students at McClure. Kelly, I was pleased to finally have met you at Chase. Eddie, I have not met you yet, but have heard and seen your pictures, along with many nice things about you from Jane.  
You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. Jane's name, and the good memories will always be with us all.

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**Vallapa Herzog** - April 22, 2005 at 08:24 AM

BW

“ Just wanted to let you know that your family is in my prayers. I was very sorry to hear of your loss. Jane was a special teacher, and a special person. As a special education teacher myself, I have had the privilege of knowing and working with your mother in the school district.  
May the Lord comfort you in this time of sorrow.

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**Betty Wollenberg** - April 22, 2005 at 08:13 AM

DV

“ Kelly & Eddie - We were very sorry to hear of your mothers death. We have wonderful memories of your family when you lived next to us on Twilight.

Sincerely,  
David, Barbara, Jennifer & Brian VonFeldt

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David & Barb VonFeldt - April 21, 2005 at 10:39 PM

TF

“ We wanted to send our love and prayers to your entire family. Just from the small amount of time we spent with Jane during Eddie's wedding weekend we knew right away she was a loving and caring person. It was easy to see what a great mom she was and how much she loved her kids. Our hearts go out to you in your time of need. May the memories of her love bring you peace and comfort.

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The Walters Family - April 21, 2005 at 08:14 PM

LH

“ Just wanted to drop you guys a note, and let you know that Jane has been in my prayers since I spoke with Natasha yesterday. I consider myself very fortunate to have known Jane. Her happy-go-lucky personality and great sense of humor always motivated me to visit my girlfriend's family, as you all well know is not always so easy. Jane was always very kind and giving to Natasha while she attended K-State, and I know that Nat cared very much for Jane for the sense of family that Jane provided to Natasha. Additionally, I know from my many conversations with Jane that she was dedicated to the children she taught at school, and she was a model educator for teachers everywhere. She will be missed by all.

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Levi Henry - April 21, 2005 at 07:28 PM

VT

“ Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. I am so very sorry for your terrible loss. I had the pleasure of working with Jane for several years at McClure, and found her to be a wonderful person, caring teacher, and a kind soul. She will be greatly missed by those whose lives she has touched.

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**Vicki Thompson** - April 21, 2005 at 06:20 PM

DB

“ We deeply regret your loss. I know you, and my close friend, Ken Peterson are devastated. Please accept my deepest sympathy. I was not acquainted with her, but I know from Ken that she was a wonderful lady, and provided meaning for all of her family and friends. That meaning is not lost. It will always be with you.

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**Dick Brewster** - April 21, 2005 at 05:11 PM