



Jan Frances Kurtz

April 21, 1952 - February 17, 2020

Jan F. Kurtz (Age 67)

Of Springfield, Virginia, passed away peacefully on Monday, February 17, 2020, surrounded by family and loved ones. She was the beloved sister of Lynn Kurtz Muys (Jerry), and Frederick C. Kurtz, Jr. (Sharon), and the proud aunt of J. Christian Muys III (Leah), Cameron F. Muys (Karolina), and Wesley C. Muys. She was preceded in death by her parents Frederick C., and Frances T. Kurtz. Jan was raised in North Springfield, attended Annandale High School, and went to the University of Mary Washington where she received a B.A. of Sociology degree in 1973. After graduating, Jan accepted a teaching position at Dale City Elementary School. She stayed for thirty seven years, and during that time taught more than a thousand students. When she retired from full-time teaching, Jan continued teaching for Prince William County on a part-time basis until 2018, assisting with students who had intellectual disabilities. While still teaching full-time, she attended graduate school, and earned a Master of Education and Curriculum degree from George Mason University in 1996. Jan was very passionate about teaching. She cared deeply for her students, and devoted herself to their education and well-being. She will be genuinely missed by many. The family will receive relatives and friends at Jefferson Funeral Chapel, 5755 Castlewellan Dr., Alexandria, VA 22315, on February 26, 2020, from 5-8 p.m. A funeral service will be held at Grace Presbyterian Church, 7434 Bath Street, Springfield, VA 22150, on February 27, 2020, at 10:00 a.m., with interment following at

Fairfax Memorial Park. Memorial contributions may be made to the PWCS Education Foundation at P.O. Box 389; Manassas, VA 20108. Please designate that the contributions are for “DCES Lunch for Kids, in memory of Jan Kurtz.”

Cemetery Details

Fairfax Memorial Park Cemetery

4401 Burke Station Rd
Fairfax , VA 22032

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 26. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Jefferson Funeral Chapel
5755 Castlewellan Drive
Alexandria, VA 22315
(703) 971-7400
info@jeffersonfuneralchapel.com
<https://www.jeffersonfuneralchapel.com>

Service

FEB 27. 10:00 AM (ET)

Grace Presbyterian Church
7434 Bath Street
Springfield, VA 22150

Tribute Wall



“ I just saw this. She was my 3rd grade teacher and the only light point in my elementary years.... I now know I had ADHD but she always treated me awesome. My kids... 24, 13 and 11 all know her as my favorite teacher. RIP love you

Melissa brannan poulin - August 01, 2025 at 10:12 PM



“ Jan Frances Kurtz

October 27, 2022 at 09:45 PM



“ Best teacher friend to all who met her. I first met her as my third grade teacher at Dale City Elementary. I was so thrilled when my son had her as his 4th grade teacher. We are both still hurting deeply at the loss of a wonderful friend. Until we meet again save us a place. Love Always,
Elaine Cummings and
Marvin Hairston

Elaine Cummings - April 24, 2020 at 11:49 PM



“ Your warmth and friendliness will be sorely missed! - I will miss you and our talks and fun times with Bruce Springsteen! I still have some of those bootlegs you made me and I will never part with them and think of you always when I play them. Rest in Peace my friend.

John Oakes - February 27, 2020 at 01:43 PM

JD

John I felt like I had to comment on this I am in front of Dale city elementary school right now just finding out about this on June 21st 2025 Jan kirks was my main inspiration for teaching without Miss kirks there wouldn't be a Mr Dotson my memory of Ms kirks was working with her at del City elementary when I started out my teaching career and she proceeded to call me Mr Dotson and to me having her say that was like the ultimate badge of honor the only thing I can say is she came to my mother's funeral in 2011 and you know better late than never miss Kurtz thank you and Mr thank you for allowing me to have a comment next to your post godspeed Ms kirks sincerely James Caldwell Dotson

James Caldwell Dotson - June 21, 2025 at 12:36 PM

JD

Also I was wondering for students and I'm sure I can see this for every student I've ever had we loved her very much we all got to go and I I will miss you Miss Curtis take care

James Caldwell Dotson - June 21, 2025 at 12:37 PM



“ *Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Jan Frances Kurtz.*



February 25, 2020 at 08:19 PM



“ *Sacred Duty Spray was purchased for the family of Jan Frances Kurtz.*



February 22, 2020 at 07:25 PM

KS

“ Jan lived next door to me for many years. She was a very nice person and always had a smile on her face. She was very friendly and enjoyed talking. She will be missed by many. Rest in peace.

Kathy Saunders - February 22, 2020 at 08:06 AM

BH

“ Ms. Kurtz was one of my many great elementary school teachers. She was kind and always full of spirit. She is loved by many. Will miss u and Rest In Peace my friend.



Betty Harvey - February 21, 2020 at 03:23 PM

VN

“ Jan was a special friend of mine during our Mary Washington days. After I moved to AZ she would often call late at night for a chat, as we were both night owls at the time. We lost touch for several years, and she went out of her way to reconnect. I will always remember her great smile and sense of humor as well as the light and fun she gave to my life. She was truly a very special friend.

Victoria Noseck - February 21, 2020 at 12:26 PM

JM

“ Jan taught both of our children in third grade and they both loved her. In fact the whole family loved her and we kept in touch over the years. The last time we saw her was a couple of years ago and although her health was not good, she was as upbeat as ever and was always smiling. I will miss your periodic messages sweet lady. You will be missed by so many.

Johna and Dave McNichol

Johna and Dave McNichol - February 21, 2020 at 11:21 AM

EV

“ *Jan was so funny. I only saw her at the Malice Domestic conferences, but she was so much fun to talk to. We could sit down together and pick up the conversation as if we'd just seen each other yesterday. She was a character in several of my mysteries and Jan generously gave to charity to her her name in them. I will miss you so much, Jan. The world is a duller place without your shining light.*
Elaine Viets

Elaine Viets - February 21, 2020 at 09:36 AM

DO

“ *Jan was always a caring and compassionate teacher and person. One thing I will say, she was a stickler for spelling and grammar! She had a soft spot for my son Joe. She will be missed. All 5 of my children went through DCES. It was a special time, special teachers.*
Debbie Oliver

Deborah Oliver - February 21, 2020 at 06:34 AM



“ *Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Jan Frances Kurtz.*



February 20, 2020 at 10:15 PM

KJ

“ *Jan and I worked through the death of a school family together and that forever drew us close. She had the fourth grader in her class; I had the younger, second grade sibling. It was a rough Christmas holiday; but Jan and I knew we had worked hard on behalf of our students. That was Jan’s strength and passion.*
Kathy J.

Kathy J - February 20, 2020 at 06:53 PM

SM

“ *Jan was a coworker for 32 years and a good friend. Jan continued to travel even during her declining health. She never forgot a student or friend and will be missed by so many.*
Goodbye my friend until we meet again.
Sue Maeyer

Sue Maeyer - February 20, 2020 at 05:32 PM