



Blanche Maxine Applegate

March 12, 1926 - January 28, 2015

Blanche Maxine Kidwell Applegate, known as Maxine or Mackie, died Wednesday, January 28, following a long illness.

Born the second of four children, March 12, 1926, to Otis Eugene and Katie (Wise) Kidwell in Stamping Ground, Kentucky, Maxine moved to Indiana when she was three weeks old. Maxine was a 1945 graduate of Anderson High School where she was editor of the X-Ray.

She attended the University of Kentucky until she married her World War II sailor boyfriend, Joseph Applegate Jr. She also attended Anderson College and holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Ball State University.

She was a 5th grade teacher in Anderson for more than 33 years at Seventh Street and Southview Schools.

She was active for many years, including working as a Pink Lady in the gift shop at then St. John's Hospital, teaching Sunday School at East Lynn Christian Church, in a service sorority, and working on her high school reunions. She helped create the Long Far View, a comprehensive AHS yearbook.

She is survived by her four children: Terri Lynn (John) Johnson of Franklin,

Laura (Rex) Richards of Elkhart, Kent (Chris) Applegate of Noblesville, and Brian Scott Applegate of Anderson.

She is also survived by three granddaughters, Stephanie Lloyd (Jamie Wilson) of Elkhart, Jessica (Steve) Hatfield of Alexandria, and Miki Blankenship (Heath Shoemaker) of Fort Pierce, Florida.

Also surviving are six great-grandchildren, Sydney Madison Mais of Elkhart, Riley Mary Grace Lloyd-Reitz of Edwardsburg, Michigan, Christian Michael, Taylor Renee, and Kenneth Hatfield of Alexandria, and Samuel Ryder Shoemaker of Fort Pierce, Florida.

She is also survived by her brother, Rev. R.J. Kidwell of Erlanger, Kentucky, and many nieces, nephews, cousins, and good friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Eugene, and her sister, Barbara Glass Browning. While she and Joe divorced, they remained friends, and he preceded her in death in December 2013.

Visitation will be Tuesday, February 3, 2015, 4 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Robert D. Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, 200 West 53rd St., Anderson.

Services will be 1 p.m. Wednesday, February 4, 2015, at the funeral home with Chaplain Charles Richard Ehrhart officiating.

Burial will take place in Anderson Memorial Park.

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Cemetery Details

Memorial Park Cemetery

6805 Dr. Martin Luther King Blvd.
Anderson, IN 46013

Previous Events

Visitation

FEB 3. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

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Service

FEB 4. 1:00 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Loose Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Blanche Maxine Applegate*



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EB

My deepest sympathy and condolences for Mrs. Applegate's friends and family. She was my 5th grade teacher at Southview Elementary and I still have fond memories of her and the many lessons she taught. Her influence will live on for a long time. She was a wonderful lady....

Erin (Stickler) Bradberry - February 02, 2015 at 07:09 PM

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“ *Mrs. Applegate, You were such a wonderful teacher & you made my 5th grade year very special. You helped me cope when my Papaw passed that year way back in 1982. I also remember coming to your house with Mrs. Knight from time to time. You are one of those special teachers & person that even as an adult I often remembered & hoped you were doing well. You made a difference in my life & many other of your students. Thank you! May God wrap you and your family in his loving arms.*

Shari - February 03, 2015 at 10:29 AM



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“ Mrs. Applegate was my 5th grade teacher at Southview Elementary, and was a true educator in every sense of the word! She was a great lady!

David Fraley - February 02, 2015 at 07:17 AM

MG

“ Bless you, Maxine, for all the lives you touched in your lifetime. I always loved seeing you in the library and discussing books, ideas and family. I especially loved when you brought Christian in with his "Brother Bear". You leave a wonderful loving legacy behind for all the ways you made this world a better place. Save a space for me on the other side- Much love and compassion to Kent and the family while they remember all the good memories and love you leave behind.

Martha Baker Green

Martha Green - February 01, 2015 at 05:17 PM

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“ Hi Terri,

So sorry to learn of your Mom's passing. I'm flying out on Tuesday to Miami so I won't be able to come up but certainly will be thinking of you. Kay is in Tennessee and will be sending her prayers as well. Praying that you and your family find Peace and Comfort at this time.

*Love
Carol Richardson*

Carol Richardson - February 01, 2015 at 07:26 AM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Blanche Maxine Applegate.*



January 31, 2015 at 07:01 PM