



Nancye Elizabeth Hawes

March 10, 1932 - March 8, 2003

Anderson - Nancye Elizabeth Smith Hawes, 70, Anderson, died March 8, 2003 at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Hospital, Carmel after an extended illness. She was born March 10, 1932 in Somerset, Kentucky, and resided in Anderson, Indiana. She lived in this area all of her life. An award-winning writer and editor, she retired as columnist and Sunday lifestyles editor of the Herald Bulletin in 1989. She had covered the local and state news scene since 1964 and was assistant managing editor for The Anderson Herald when the two Anderson papers merged in 1986. She was The Herald's statehouse reporter and interviewed many state and national political figures including Presidents Richard Nixon, Gerald Ford, George Bush, Ronald Reagan and William Jefferson Clinton; first ladies Hillary Clinton, Pat Nixon and Rosalind Carter; first daughters Amy Carter, Linda Byrd Johnson and Julie Eisenhower; first brother Billy Carter; and several U.S. Senators including Ted Kennedy, Birch Bayh, Richard Lugar and Dan Quayle. She graduated from Anderson High School in 1950, she had earned continuing education credits from several journalism schools, including Indiana University and Ball State University. She was active in civic affairs for many years, she was a member of Central Christian Church in Anderson. She was a past president of Anderson Soroptimist International and the Chesterfield Booster Auxiliary. She was a Cub Scout den mother, a member of the Boy Scout district committee, a Pink Lady and had served as board member for the Madison County Association for Mental Health and the local Red Cross Chapter. She was a

founding member of Planned Parenthood of Madison County, had been active in the Lady Elks, Anderson Council of Women and was a member of the YWCA, the Dolphin Club and Edgewood Country Club. A life member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, she was twice president of Gamma Iota Chapter and had served as president of the Anderson Beta Sigma Phi City Council. She was presently a member of the Zeta Masters Chapter. She received the Unknown Scout Award and was her sorority council's woman of the Year. She had been a director of the Indiana Journalism Hall of Fame. In addition, she was a board member for the National Federation of Press Women for 20 years and also served as Secretary and Vice President of NFPW. She was a past president of Women's Press Club of Indiana and was a founder and long-time director of its Education Fund. She was past president of Indiana East Chapter, Society of Professional Journalists, and had belonged to the Indianapolis Press Club since 1967. East Central Indiana Chapter of Women in Communications named her Communicator of the Year in 1984. She had served with the Anderson University mentor program and was a member of AU's Town and Gown. She is survived by her husband: George Jason Hawes, whom she married February 11, 1950; a daughter: Kimberly Ellen Hawes of Anderson. Two Sons: William Kevin Hawes wife Donna of Anderson and George Kelly Hawes wife Teri of Lake Jackson, Texas; Seven Grandchildren: Isaac Samuel Hawes of Anderson; Erin Colleen O'Brien of Silver Spring, MD; Jason Kelly Hawes of Lake Jackson, Texas; Christopher William Hawes, Michelle Lynn Hawes, Susan Marie Hawes and Mackenna Brianne Hawes, all of Anderson. Also surviving are her stepmother: Ada M. Smith of Anderson. Sister: Marjorie William Mann of Tallahassee, Florida. Two Brothers: Rev. Paul Tina Smith and Michael E. Connie Smith, both of Anderson. Stepsister: Roberta Rosenau of Shelton, Washington. Uncle: Lee Ginny Foster of Bradford, Ohio. Five Aunts: Opie Blakeman of Shadyside, MD, Helen Hanson and Alma Branson of Covington, OH, Anna Palmer of Troy, OH, and Ilene Ward of Piqua, OH; many cousins, nieces and nephews. She was preceded by her her parents Ava Foster and William Henderson Smith, two brothers Samuel Edward and Edwin

Swope Smith, a stepsister Janiece White and a stepbrother William Lee Fleener. Services will be Thursday, March 13, 2003 at 11:30 AM, at Robert D. Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory, South Chapel. 200 W. 53rd Street; Anderson, with Rev. Paul Smith and Rev. Linda McKiernan-Allen officiating. Burial will be in East Maplewood Cemetery, Anderson . Visitation will be from 4-8:00 PM on Wednesday, March 12, 2003 at funeral home, south chapel. Contributions may be made to Women's Press Club Education Fund; 9610 North 700 East; Morristown, IN 46161 OR Paramount Heritage Foundation, Inc., In memory of Nancy Hawes, PO Box 727; Anderson, IN 46015. www.LooseFuneralHomes.com

Tribute Wall

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“ I just learned of Nancye's passing today April 15 and wanted to express my sympathy to your family. Nancye was one of my mentors when I was starting out in the newspaper business so many years ago. I have always had the deepest respect for all that she accomplished in her life. Best regards, Nancy E. DeBolt

Nancy E. DeBolt - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GB

“ George, I will always remember the good times I shared with you and Nancye at NFPW conferences and board meetings. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.

GRACE BUOL - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ So sorry to read of this... A classmate Jerry

Jerry Wills - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ I have many fond memories of Nancy at NFPW board meetings and conferences. She was a great lady. My thoughts are with her family.

Donna Hunt - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Nancye was an NFPW member I looked forward to seeing at our annual conferences. A bubbling personality. Great contributor to our work ... and fun.

Carol Francis - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

VS

“ *Nancye was such a warm and gracious friend. The world is better because she lived. I know her family will greatly miss her. Her many associates in NFPW will miss her. Her contributions were many and we are the better for her participation. May your memories bring comfort in the days ahead. Perhaps we can all be consoled in knowing that everything is perfect for her now.*

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“ *Anderson High School Class 50 from Chesterfield.*

S.M.Hallenbeck - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ *Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers.It was a joy to know Nancye and count her among my friends. Sincerely, Eva Marie Pearson*

Eva Marie Pearson - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ We shared many a laugh and a few tears as NFPW friends. I remember Nancye emphatically quoting Winston Churchill's famous line about "never, never, never give up." She is going to be missed.

Linn Rounds - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ To Nancye's family -- You were privileged to be a part of Nancye's family and have her for 70 years. She was a great asset to NFPW and a joy to be around at meetings. Treasure your memories! Nora T. Cleland

Nora T. Cleland - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM

CS

“ What a loss both to journalism and the community, as well as for Nancye's family. She was such an influence in NFPW, and I have so many fond memories of her. My many sympathies to all of those whom she loved, and who loved her.

Cathie Shaffer - June 26, 2014 at 12:00 AM