



Patsy Ann Engle

March 5, 1955 - August 5, 2010

Patsy Ann (Whittenberg) Engle March 5, 1955 – August 5, 2010 Patsy (Whittenberg) Engle, 55, graduated from a lifetime of teaching and entered her heavenly celebration on Thursday, August 5, 2010. Patsy was born in Colorado Springs, CO, on March 5, 1955, to Glen and Aloma (Boone) Whittenberg. The family moved to the state of Washington in 1957 and Patsy graduated salutatorian of her class at Kalama High School in 1973, where she excelled in writing, music and drama. She attended Oklahoma Wesleyan University in Bartlesville, OK, prior to finishing her baccalaureate degree in English Education from Indiana Wesleyan University in Marion, IN. She obtained her MA in English from Ball State University in Muncie, IN. Patsy worked in Marion and Indianapolis while serving as administrative assistant to Dr. Robert McIntyre, general superintendent of The Wesleyan Church, and taught English classes as an adjunct professor at Indiana Wesleyan University. She moved back to her beloved Northwest and taught high school English and drama at Salem Academy. She returned to Indiana and served The Wesleyan Church as editor of their high school Christian education curriculum and Light from the Word, a daily devotional booklet, for which she received an Award of Excellence from the Evangelical Press Association. She married Frank Engle, Jr. on December 30, 1988 and he survives. She was preceded in death by a sister, Glenda Joy. In addition to her husband of 21 years, survivors include: sons, Tim and Aaron Engle; parents, Glen and Aloma Whittenberg; parents-in-law, Frank, Sr. and Frances Engle; siblings, Harriet

(Ner) Rojas, Crystal (Richard) Meeks, and Brian Whittenberg; and brother-in-law, John (Jackie) Engle, seven nieces and two nephews. Patsy was passionate about teaching. She began teaching at George Fox University in the fall of 1988 as a half-time, adjunct professor of English and education. She was very focused on her sons' education by providing several years of home schooling. She moved into full-time teaching at GFU in the education department in 1998. One of her former students summed it up best by saying, "You gave of yourself unselfishly; guiding my learning, comforting my sorrows, pushing me past my doubts, leading the way by your example." A Celebration of Life service will be held at Bauman Auditorium on the George Fox University campus in Newberg, Oregon, on Thursday, August 12, 2010, at 2 p.m. with a reception following. It was Patsy's expressed desire that this be a happy time resplendent in bright colors, rejoicing in the fullness of life that she so enjoyed with her family, friends and students. The above picture was taken at the last commencement ceremony she attended at George Fox University in April, 2010, as she assisted in the hooding ceremony for her latest cohort of MAT students. The lei was brought from Hawaii as a special gift. A graveside service will be held at the Melba Cemetery, Melba, Idaho, at 10 a.m. on Saturday, August 14, 2010, followed by a fellowship time at the Melba Friends Church. Because of the failing health of Patsy's parents, a memorial service will also be held at College Wesleyan Church in Marion, Indiana, in the near future. As a lifelong educator, it was Patsy's desire to have any memorial contributions directed to the Timothy and Aaron Engle Education Fund at First Federal, P.O. Box 688, Newberg, OR 97132. The family greatly appreciates everyone's prayers and words of support and encouragement. Arrangements in the care of Attrell's Newberg Funeral Chapel "A member of the International order of the Golden Rule.