In Memoriam

Addie Jane Barnes
March 6, 1941 to June 21, 1992

Managing editor of the *Journal of Precision Teaching* from its resurrection in 1990, A. Jane Barnes also served as the Assistant Director of the Center for Individualized Instruction at Jacksonville State University from 1989 until her death. Working her way through the Center as a student client, student worker, Tutorial Services Coordinator, and instructor, Jane contributed more than seven years of her life to the Center's mission. Jane became enamored with Precision Teaching by the late 1980's, receiving her first formal training at the Ninth International Precision Teaching Conference in Boston, MA in 1990. At the time of her death she was developing multiple routes to instructing with Precision in the Center's courses in freshman orientation and quantification skills. She was also writing a text for the Center's course in employability skills. A data share she made at the Tenth International Precision Teaching Conference, Park City, UT in 1992 is included in this issue of the Journal.

A graduate of Jacksonville State University with a baccalaureate in Criminal Justice, Jane was twice nominated as the Outstanding Staff Member of the College of Letters and Sciences. She endowed a teaching chair in the College in memoriam to her mother, a life-long teacher.


One of the first women to achieve the rank of Sergeant Major in the US Army, Jane taught at the Sergeant Majors’ Academy. She also served as an aide to General Al Haig at NATO Headquarters in Brussels, Belgium. At the time of her death Jane was Vice-President of the local chapter of the Women’s Army Core Veterans Association which had just sponsored a reunion at Ft. McClellan, AL to celebrate fifty years of the Core’s existence.

Jane died of brain cancer at her home in Weaver, Alabama.

--Claudia McDade

"Granted, this second career is not the same as running a resort; however, I can say that it is probably more rewarding, in that I see an academic success story almost on a daily basis. I have seen so many underprepared students come to the CII for assistance and leave, after a period of time, fully prepared and looking forward to graduation. If someone would have told me four years ago that I would be doing what I’m doing today, I would have said that they were “nuts” - but here I am, involved, involved, involved . . .”

--Jane Barnes

(from a letter found on her Mac file)