



Dr. John "Jack" E. Proctor

July 12, 1945 - March 18, 2016

Dr. John "Jack" E. Proctor, Doctor of Education, 70, recent resident of Boulder, CO, formerly of Aurora and Glen Ellyn, IL, passed away Friday, March 18, 2016 in Lombard, IL. He was born July 12, 1945 in Aurora, Illinois.

Survivors include his sister, Rozanne (Hector "Joe") Canestrini of Lombard; his brother, Ken (Wini) Proctor of Winder, GA; his sister-in-law, JoAnn Proctor of Aurora; numerous nieces and nephews; and many special friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Lottie (Ketchmark) Proctor; and his brothers, Ed and Don Proctor.

Funeral services will be held Monday, March 21, 2016 at 10:00 AM at Holy Angels Church. Private inurnment will held at a later date. In-state visitation will be held Monday, March 21, 2016 from 9:00 AM until the Mass hour at 10:00 AM at Holy Angels Church, 720 Hardin Ave, Aurora, IL. Funeral arrangements are being handled by THE DALEIDEN MORTUARY, 220 N. Lake Street, Aurora, IL 60506. (630) 631-5500.

Please visit our interactive website at www.daleidenmortuary.com where you may sign the guest book or leave condolences for Jack's family.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Jack's name may be made for

Memorial Masses or to A New Harvest Campaign, P.O. Box 100777, Denver,
CO 80250-0777.

Cemetery Details

Private

Previous Events

In State

MAR 21. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (CT)

Holy Angels Church
120 South Lancaster Avenue
Aurora, IL 60506

Funeral Mass

MAR 21. 10:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BS

“ i was blessed to work with Jack here in Boulder. When faced with very difficult personal circumstances, Jack reached out to me and provided with me with such comfort. He encouraged me to live beyond the loss of my husband and to find joy in my family and friends. I am deeply saddened by the loss of my friend Jack, but i feel very lucky to have known him as a friend. He was a special man and i know that all of us who were allowed to have him in our lives are better for it. I know God will care for our friend Jack.

Beth Silverman - April 12, 2016 at 10:34 PM

RS

“ Jack was our neighbor here in Boulder. His dedication and service to our community for a decade was an inspiration. He will be missed greatly. A nicer or more caring person could not be found! Rest in peace, Jack.

Roland Sweet - April 11, 2016 at 09:58 AM

ML

“ Rest in Peace, Jack! Happy Trails! 🌵🏡🌵

Marsha Lipps - March 24, 2016 at 08:45 PM

KL

“ It was a honor to work with Jack at Glen Crest. My prayers to out to his family.

Kathy Leimbach - March 23, 2016 at 11:15 AM

PT

“ *Dr Proctor was a wonderful principal at Westfield and Glen Crest. He was everything you would want in an educator; professional, intelligent, kind, fair, and caring. We were all blessed to have him touch our lives.*
Pat Trimarco



Pat Trimarco - March 23, 2016 at 10:37 AM

TH

“ *Jack leaves behind many friends that he acquired while living in Boulder, Colorado. He will be greatly missed by everyone here. He was a great friend and hiking partner to all of us.*
Terry Hardie for the Boulder Tuesday Hikers

Terry Hardie - March 23, 2016 at 10:24 AM

AF

“ *Dr. Proctor was a wonderful teacher and principal. He was so respected and loved by the parents and students at Westfield school in Glen Ellyn. It was an honor to know him. My sincere sympathies to his family and friends.*

Anne Fitzgerald - March 23, 2016 at 08:46 AM

AG

“ I lived 4 blocks from Westfield Elementary and would walk to school everyday. Dr. Proctor was one of the smiling faces that greeted us each morning, and waved goodbye as we left for home each afternoon. He was kind, caring and so involved in the school system and district. He was truly a man who found his calling; his ability to effortlessly make our elementary school fun, provide a safe environment, and teaching with a passion and pride not often seen as much today. Peace and love be with your family during this difficult time. Gone but not forgotten... Ever.



Anne Goss - March 22, 2016 at 10:57 PM

 Kristin Baker

“ Dr. Proctor welcomed me mid school year and made me feel as ease right away. I too will always remember my thoughtful birthday book. Such a special way of making us all feel so special. My sincere thoughts and condolences to your family, such incredible memories you leave behind.

Kristin Baker - March 22, 2016 at 10:45 PM

LM

“ Dr. Proctor always reminded me of a real life Mr. Rogers; patience, kindness, and respect were the rule, and he was larger than life to a child because of it. He was fun, too - birthday books, popcorn parties, lots of joking around. And of course, the coolest car in the faculty lot, which made us think he was even more awesome. Ha! Praying for his family and loved ones as you all celebrate his wonderful life and legacy. He is remembered fondly by so many.

Laura Micheli - March 22, 2016 at 09:06 PM

QR

“ My heart is saddened to hear this. Dr. Proctor was my principal at Westfield elementary from 1992-1994 when I attended. I still have the birthday book he gave me and cherish it. My son is now reading it. Dr. Proctor was such a loving person. I always thought highly of him and he made a significant impact on my life. I learned from him how to communicate and show compassion.

Prophet Muhammad taught that one form of charity is education, and that any good a student does as a result of the education his teacher gave him, the teacher is rewarded for that good. Dr. Proctor was an amazing teacher, and I hope and pray he receives endless blessings from God Almighty.

Thank you for letting us partake in a few fleeting moments of his life. I wish I could have met him one more time. Perhaps our paths will cross in another life.

May he rest in peace, Amen.

Qasim Rashid - March 22, 2016 at 08:41 PM

KR

“ I was a student of Dr Proctor at Westfield Elementary in the 80's and 90's. I will never forget his kindness. He had a stand of books in his office for children on their birthdays. Since I had a summer birthday, he would let me have mine on my "half birthday". It was a highlight of my elementary years and I always looked forward to it. I still get a thrill from receiving a new book.

I am very sorry to hear of his passing and extend my deepest condolences to his family and friends.

- Kristen Noon

Kristen - March 22, 2016 at 08:15 PM

QR

I got my birthday book from him on my "half birthday" too. He was so thoughtful.

Qasim Rashid - March 22, 2016 at 08:42 PM

AT

“ *I was supposed to walk my little sister home after the first day of school. I was in second grade, and I was supposed to meet her in front of her kindergarten class immediately after dismissal. I was distraught when she wasn't there. Dr. Proctor put me in his way cool jeep, and we drove around to look for her. We found her at home (about 8 houses down from the school). I'm sure he was just as concerned as I was; what an amazing caring soul! My deepest condolences and prayers to the entire family.*

Alexis Thompson - March 22, 2016 at 06:51 PM

JP

“ *My deepest sympathy to the family of Dr.Proctor. I have not seen him in many years. We were cousins, my mom Nellie Proctor Bauer was his dad's sister. Many fond memories visiting the family when I was young. My thoughts and Prayers are with his family at this difficult time. Judy Bauer Porter*

Judy Porter - March 22, 2016 at 01:39 PM

KM

“ Our deepest sympathy to the family, friends and former co-workers of Dr. Proctor. He had a huge part in making District 89 great and we will always be thankful to him and so many others in the district for the wonderful education our children received at Westfield and Glen Crest. We know he shaped the curriculum and was a principal that made a difference. We have fond memories of his popcorn machine and the enjoyment it brought when students earned a popcorn party! He will always be fondly remembered and we know he is resting peacefully now.
Kathy and Paul Micheli

Kathy Micheli - March 22, 2016 at 12:36 PM

MP

“ Dr. Proctor was my elementary school principal, everyone loved him so much! One of my favorite memories in school was being called down to his office on my birthday and he had a whole shelf of books and you could choose whichever one you wanted. He would write a happy birthday message and would sign it. It was like walking around with a celebrity autograph all day, he made all of us feel so special. I will never forget him.

Meghan Pritzlaff - March 22, 2016 at 11:35 AM

TB

“ I first met Jack on committee work in Aurora. Many years later I started work at Glen Crest Middle School in Glen Ellyn. When I saw that he was the principal at Westfield Elementary in the same district, I did everything I could to get a job at Westfield and work with him. He helped to make me into a better teacher and a better person. He was always focused on shared decision making and including others and their opinions. He was interested in the lives of staff and students alike. He took the time to get to know each person he worked with. Even though I have not seen him for years, he still has an effect on my life through his life lessons. He was the epitome of a great administrator and leader.

Tim Brinker - March 22, 2016 at 11:02 AM

DB

“ Dr. Proctor touched the lives of so many children over the years in District 89. For 9 years at Westfield he was among my closest friends. He lead the children and their parents with great love and patience. Much of what I know about leadership I learned from him while I was involved in the parent/teacher organization. Jack was a man of integrity, humor, and compassion. He was a light in the lives of many. He will be missed. My sympathy to his family. God bless you
Debbie Borge

Debbie Borge - March 21, 2016 at 10:05 PM

BJ

“ I remember Jack, from teaching in East Aurora and being on a Math committee with him. We shared a high school connection through Madonna and Marmion. He was so respected as an educator and always a leader. God blessed your life Jack, and now he welcomes you home.

Barbara Jansz - March 21, 2016 at 06:22 PM

LH

“ We had the distinct privilege of getting to know and love Jack in Scottsdale, AZ, where he joined our hiking club and became a fast friend of our entire "core" group of hikers. We are saddened at losing Jack as our friend, and we pray for him and his family at this time of loss. We are confident that Jack is enjoying being in God's presence at this Easter season, and we ask that he ask God for blessings upon all of us he's left behind.

Lorraine and Ray Houle (Scottsdale, AZ)

Lorraine and Ray Houle - March 20, 2016 at 10:02 PM

VD

“ My condolences. Dr. Proctor was a wonderful friend to my father when they both worked for the East Aurors School District. I remember what a kind, friendly man he was to everyone. He will be missed.

Valerie Brown Dykstra - March 20, 2016 at 07:37 PM

CM

“ *Caroline McKinney lit a candle in memory of Dr. John "Jack" E. Proctor*



Caroline McKinney - March 19, 2016 at 03:00 PM

CM

Jack was my neighbor in Boulder when we both lived "up on the ridge" (where we frequently had interesting animal visitors from the farm nearby. He helped me get a goat off my roof and back to the farm one day! Many laughs!!). We both attended St. Martin de Porres Church, and we were both educators who loved learning and teaching. He was a terrific man, who gave so generously of his time and talents. He is one of those special people who made a great difference in his time on earth.

Caroline McKinney - March 19, 2016 at 03:05 PM

MO

“ *How privileged and blessed Larry and I have been to call Jack our friend! Our hearts are broken but happy he is without pain and knowing he will pray for us. Till we meet again, my friend.
Love and prayers,
Monika and Larry*

monika - March 19, 2016 at 02:02 PM

MO

“ *Monika lit a candle in memory of Dr. John
"Jack" E. Proctor*



monika - March 19, 2016 at 01:49 PM

KK

“ 5 files added to the tribute wall



kris kassalen - March 18, 2016 at 11:04 PM

KK

“ Thank you Uncle Jack for offering all your nieces and nephews rides on your motorcycle when we visited Grandma and Grandpa on the weekends in the summer. You took the time to give each of us a ride.

I also remember when we met in Rutland for a family reunion in 1996. Clare was just a baby. Kenny was about 3-4yrs old and was trying to work the well pump to get some water. You walked over and helped him manage the pump so he could get a drink.

kris kassalen - March 18, 2016 at 11:02 PM