



## Norine Blake-DeMont

March 7, 2006

DeMont, Norine Blake of Ann Arbor died peacefully on Tuesday March 7, 2006 at her home. She was professionally known as Dr. Norine Blake. She had served as a teacher in the Berkley Public Schools and held key administrative posts in the Avondale School District as well as the Wayne-Westland Community Schools. She also served as Superintendent of the Lincoln Consolidated School District during the early 1990's. In addition to her many contributions to the K-12 education she was an adjunct professor for both the Wayne State University and Davenport University graduate programs in administration.

She received her undergraduate degree as well as a masters degree from Oakland University, and a doctorate in educational leadership from Wayne State University. She received academic scholarships from both universities. She also was the recipient of the Shanklin Award from the American Association of School Administrators, a national honor awarded to one administrator each year for excellence in doctoral studies.

She is survived by her husband Roger, her two daughters Lisa Allen and Lora Boka, a son in law Don Boka, and three precious grandchildren - Nicholas, Lucas and Allison Boka. Norine is also survived by her 12 siblings: David (Geri); June; Louise; Marilyn (Bill); Raymond (Maryann); Barbara (Jerry); Bob; Charlotte (Tom); Yvonne; Jim; Mark (Cindy); and Brian (Becky); as well as many nieces and nephews. Her family arrived from as far away as Florida and China to be with her during her final days.

Upon retirement Norine remained an active learner taking swimming lessons, bridge lessons and playing lots of golf. She and Roger loved their condo on Vanderbilt Beach in Naples, Florida and visited it whenever their schedules would allow. It became the school vacation place for the two of them and their grandchildren.

Family and friends will gather for a memorial mass 10:30 AM Friday, March 10 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, 47650 North Territorial (At Beck Road) Plymouth. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to either the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation or the Norine Blake DeMont Scholarship Fund at Wayne State University. Arrangements by Vermeulen Funeral Home-Plymouth. To leave a message of condolence, click on the Online Condolences link on this page.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Norine Blake-DeMont*

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December 07, 2023 at 05:11 AM



“ *Dear Lori,  
JoAnna emailed me with the news of your mother's passing. After reading the obituary I realize how you turned out such an incredible woman yourself. I regret not having had the chance to know your mother but know she must have touched many lives. My thoughts are with you and your family.  
Love Stacey*

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**Stacey Salatto** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM



“ *Lori,  
So sorry I couldn't be there with you today. My thoughts and prayers have been with you through out the entire day. I have been recalling so many wonderful memories you and I had with your mom. Thinking about her brings a smile to my face. She truly was a wonderful person. My prayers will continue to be with you and your family. Lots of love, Laura*

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**Laura (Adams) Henao** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

RW

“ Dear Dr. Demont:

*I am saddened to hear of the passing of your wife. Know that you and your family are in my prayers today.*

*Rosalyn*

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**Rosalyn J. Whitehead** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

BW

“ *You have suffered a loss from which you will recover despite the magnitude of losing Noreen. The hurt will go away thanks to the many friendships you and Noreen have enriched over the years.*

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**Betty & Bob Wurtz** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

TF

“ *Dearest Lori and family ,  
Norine's life will be forever inspiring to all those lives she touched-  
innumerable. Be in our hearts and minds always.*

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**The Gawel Family** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

LN

“ *Dear Lora and family,  
My prayers and thoughts are with you during this very difficult time.  
May your mom's memory keep her alive in your hearts forever.  
Take comfort in each other.  
Love,  
Lynn Ninnis*

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**Lynn Ninnis** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

SB

“ Lori,  
I was so sorry to hear about your Mom. I read her obituary and she sounded like an amazing woman. I am sure she touched my lives in her career. The apple doesn't fall far from the tree!!! You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers!  
Sue

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**Sue Boggs** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

JF

“ Lora and family,  
Just wanted to let you know we are thinking of all of you at this difficult time. We will keep you in our prayers.  
God Bless,  
Pat, Jackie, Jake, Andrew & Michael Jossey

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**Jossey Family** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

MC

“ I was very sorry to hear about your mom, Lora. Her life sounded pretty amazing. Mary Lou

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**Mary Lou Curtin** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

LN

“ Dear Laura: I was so sorry to hear about the death of your mother. I read her obituary and can well imagine she was an outstanding model for you in the educational field. My thoughts and prayers will be with you at this difficult time. May God bless you. I lost my mother a few years ago and it was difficult. I have many wonderful memories as I am sure you do also. I will be thinking of you.  
Lynda Neuroth - Johnson School

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**Lynda Neuroth** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

LN

“ *Dear Laura:*

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**Lynda Neuroth** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

CC

“ *My very sincere sympathies to all of Norine's family. I met Norine a few years ago through the Ann Arbor Newcomers (Coterie) group at lunches and meetings. She was a very delightful and friendly lady always smiling and ready to help and listen. It had been my intention to join her at the Mah Jong group in Saline but I never did and now, of course, wish I'd made the time. Norine, did however, recommend her hair stylist to me and I shall always remember and thank her for the successful introduction.  
I am unable to join you tomorrow for the celebration of Norine's life but will be with you in thought and prayers.*

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**Chris Crolla** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

DB

“ *Roger, Lori, Lisa and family;*

*Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this time of loss.*

*We will talk soon.*

*Love Doug and Geri xoxo*

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**Doug and Geri Boka** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

LH

“ Roger:  
*We are terribly sorry to hear about Norine. We were awaiting our annual get-together in Naples and regret that will not be happening this year. I have known you since 1969 and I know you will be strong in times such as this. Hang in there and let's stay in touch.*

*Larry and Elizabeth*

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**Larry & Elizabeth Hillman** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

JS

“ *I had the distinct privilege and pleasure of serving as Dr. Blake's administrative assistant during her tenure as Superintendent of Lincoln Schools. In addition to her undying commitment to the field of education, I will always remember her for her incredible style and grace. Please accept my deepest sympathy.*

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**Jean Fensch-Lincoln Schools** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

PS

“ *We are so sorry to hear of Norene's passing and wish her family the very best during this very sad time.*

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**Pam and Dan Slee** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

CM

“ *Louise, I am truly sad to hear about the loss of your sister. Please know that I will keep Norine, you and your family in my prayers. May you find peace. God Bless. Christina Miller*

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**Christina Miller** - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

DM

“ Dear Roger, Lisa, Lori, Don and the Grandchildren:  
Dave and I offer our sincere heartfelt condolences for the loss of your beautiful wife, mother and dear grandmother.  
We hope that somewhere in the coming hours and days you will find that our arms, as well as many others, are gently wrapped around you all.  
Lisa, my sister, I love you dearly.  
Love,  
Jocelyn and Dave

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David and Jocelyn Muirhead - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM

KH

“ Dear Roger, Lisa and Lori,  
  
Words could never adequately describe how sorry we are. Norine was a wonderful lady and will be missed by all who knew her. May God Bless and protect each of you during this difficult time.  
  
We Love You,  
  
Kathy and Hank Hines

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Kathy and Hank Hines - December 12, 2014 at 10:34 AM