

CATHY MORFORD
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Catherine Anne Morford was a lifelong student and enthusiastic educator. At the time of her death November 12, 1985, she was still pursuing her passion, supervising students of education at U.T.E.P. Having obtained her bachelor's degree at Hardin -Simmons University, Cathy went to Ft. Worth to teach sixth grade. She moved into a math specialty and soon became a team leader, then chair of the math department in Ft. Worth,

She was awarded the Perot Award for Teaching Excellence and received a scholarship to study British Education in London, England. She had numerous honorary professional affiliations, as well as serving at district and state levels as a teacher representative.

More academic achievements followed: She studied Outdoor Recreation for a Master's Degree at Indiana University; then an Ed.D in Curriculum and Instruction in Elementary Education at Northern Illinois University.

She was a teacher and coordinator at Truelson-Hightower outdoor Learning Center, graduate teaching assistant at Northern Illinois University, then Assistant Professor of Education at Carson -Newman College in Talbott, Tennessee.

With her outdoor interests and her love of her niece and nephew, Ceryta and Rick Lockett, she taught them many camp songs that they all enjoyed singing together. She shared her pursuits of canoeing and all sorts of various craft creations with them to their delight. She began Ceryta's driving lessons before she had her permit, and she took Rick to the World' s Fair when she lived in Tennessee. Some great memories!



Her life was cut short at 40 years old from breast cancer. She left behind a remarkable legacy of love and accomplishments, as well as one namesake, Catherine Denise Braithwaite, daughter of Marilyn (Lutener) Braithwaite (her very dear friend) - Burges Class of 1962.

