



Anita Sue Muckelroy

August 9, 1959 - February 14, 2017

Anita Esham Muckelroy, 57, of Frankfort, Kentucky, passed away on February 14, 2017. She was born August 9, 1959, to Jo Evans Esham and the late Jack V. Esham. She grew up in Vanceburg, Kentucky, and was a 1977 graduate of Lewis County High School. She graduated magna cum laude from Morehead State University in 1981. While attending MSU, she was selected for the Kentucky Legislative Intern Program. She was also the first recipient of the Allie Whittington Young Memorial Award for outstanding scholarship in government and public affairs. She earned a law degree from the University of Kentucky in 1984.

She dedicated her life to public service through her work at the Legislative Research Commission, where she most recently served as Assistant Director for Legislator Support Services. She was well-loved by her co-workers and the legislators whom she served. She leaves behind a legacy of non-partisan excellence and integrity in state government.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by her husband of twelve years, Benny Muckelroy; her daughter Sara Taylor (Andrew) Boissonneau; one grandson, Jack Boissonneau; one sister, Jackie (Kenny) Claxon; one nephew, Kent (Amanda) Claxon; and one great-nephew, Colby Claxon; and several uncles, aunts, cousins, and a host of friends who will miss her greatly.

Services for Mrs. Muckelroy will be held at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home on Saturday, February 18, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. with Rev. Tom Troth officiating, assisted by Rev. Steve Weaver. The family will receive friends at Harrod Brothers Funeral Home on Friday, February 17, 2017, from 6:00 " 8:00 p.m. A brief memorial service will be held at Gaydos Funeral Home in Vanceburg, Kentucky on Sunday, February 19, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. Interment will follow at Lewis County Memorial Gardens. The family will receive friends at Gaydos Funeral Home from 10:30 a.m. until the service time on Sunday.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made to the Lewis County Education Foundation, P.O. Box 34, Vanceburg, Kentucky 41179.

Arrangements are under the direction of Harrod Brothers Funeral Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *Anita Sue Muckelroy*

October 06, 2023 at 03:15 PM



“ *What a tremendous loss; Anita was a distinguished public servant and a dear friend.*

Steve Wilborn

Steve Wilborn - February 19, 2017 at 06:00 PM



“ *During our time at LRC, Anita has been my supervisor, but more so a very good friend and confidant. She had many good insights into how things were going, and a super good sense of humor. She loved her family and would always share pictures and updates. This earth has never seen a bigger fan of Andy Griffith than she. I imagine that they have already met up in Heaven, along with that good hearted soul Vic Hellard who was her friend. She too is with her saintly father, who painted wonderful pictures, especially of Jesus Christ. We all will miss her. May her family be comforted in knowing how much we loved her too.*

Jim Swain - February 18, 2017 at 10:16 AM

JM

“ Anita was a gifted, witty, and lovely person. As a classmate at UK Law we shared some funny and scary times. Anita later was so kind to my daughter, Ann Marie Papania, when she began at LRC. May God wrap his loving arms around you and your family.

What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.

Micah 6:8

Jeanie Owen Miller - February 18, 2017 at 09:30 AM

CK

“ What a great loss to LRC and so many people. Goodbye dear friend

Carolyn Kinman - February 17, 2017 at 11:25 PM

LC

“ My deepest heart felt condolences to the family. Anita was a dear friend. The family has always been dear to my heart. Love and hugs to all.

Lisa Christy - February 17, 2017 at 08:50 PM

MG

“ I will miss you, may you rest in peace. You always demanded a hug from me in the hallway. My prayers are with you and your family. I will see you again in heaven. I love you in Christ and I thank God for your life. Rest in peace my friend and I will miss you.

Michael G - February 17, 2017 at 01:08 PM

G(

“ *Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. Matthew 5:4 (NIV)*

“There is a sacredness in tears. They are not a mark of weakness, but of power. They speak more eloquently than ten thousand tongues. They are the messengers of overwhelming grief, of deep contrition and of unspeakable love.”
Washington Irving

Gloria Morgan (LRC) - February 17, 2017 at 09:51 AM

JM

“ *Miss Anita was a treasure to those who knew her. When you held a conversation with her she was always present in the moment, present with you. Her low-timbred voice was a comfort to many and her wisdom and wit a balm. May God's peace and strength comfort dear family and friends as we grieve her loss.*

"Your sun will never set again, and your moon will wane no more; the Lord will be your everlasting light, and your days of sorrow will end." Isaiah 60:20

JeanAnn Myatt - February 17, 2017 at 08:31 AM

VH

“ *My sincerest thoughts and prayers for Anita`s family and friends. Anita and I always talked about our grandsons, both about the same age. She loved Jack dearly.*

Vivian Ann Hippe - February 16, 2017 at 04:37 PM

SF

“ Anita had a warm, caring and friendly spirit that just drew you in. I will miss riding the elevator into work with her where we would laugh and talk about family especially her grandson. I enjoyed working with her this past summer for the SLC Conference. Anita will be truly missed. My deepest condolences.

Sandra D. Fields - February 16, 2017 at 03:40 PM

LB

“ So saddened to learn of Anita's passing. She was a great friend to me during my time at LRC and after I left the agency. I will always remember our talks about our eastern Kentucky roots and the encouragement we provided one another in our individual walks of faith. Prayers of comfort for her family.

Lora Littleton Bryant - February 16, 2017 at 11:58 AM

AB

“ Anita was a lovely, wonderful lady and she was a blessing to me for the 2 1/2 years I got to work with her. Rest in peace sweet lady until we meet again. Thanks for always referring to me as "kid". It just made my day a little better when you did.

Alicia Boyd

Alicia Boyd - February 16, 2017 at 11:17 AM

FH

“ I am so shocked and saddened to hear about Anita. My thoughts and prayers are with the family at such a difficult time. There are no words that can be said to lessen the pain, but always remember the wonderful person she was and the memories you have. Also know the many lives she touched.

Fonda Horsley - February 16, 2017 at 11:02 AM

JN

“ Anita was really wonderful to work with. I got to do a couple private projects with her regarding her favorite subject: Mayberry. I enjoyed the passion and happiness she had for something that gave her total happiness. She was a wonderful lady and a great co-worker whose presence will be missed.

Jenny Noran - February 16, 2017 at 09:04 AM

DB

“ As Director of the Legislative Research Commission, I want to express to you our deepest condolences. It is hard to overstate the depth of our loss. Over 37 years of association with the agency, Anita represented all that is great about the LRC. We are going to miss Anita’s fierce intelligence, her sincere compassion, and her genuine sense of humor. We are so very fortunate that she devoted her life to public service. More than a co-worker, we have lost a friend. Best wishes to the family for healing and strength during this difficult time.

David Byerman - February 16, 2017 at 08:25 AM

SB

“ I am so very sorry to hear of Anita's passing. I have many fond memories of her and my sister Terri in high school together. My sympathies to her family.

*Prayers for peace,
Sharon O'Dell Bays*

Sharon O'Dell Bays - February 15, 2017 at 08:18 PM