



John Benjamin

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Benjamin, John 66 of Delray Beach Florida passed away January 19 , 2016. Beloved husband of Bette, Loving father of Julie (Stephen) Lago, Adored brother of Frank Benjamin. Services will be held Thursday, January 21, 2016 10:15AM at Beth Israel Memorial Chapel, 5808 West Atlantic Ave., Delray Beach Florida. Interment to follow at Eternal Light Memorial Gardens, 11520 State Road 7, Boynton Beach Florida. Those wishing to honor John with a memorial contribution are asked to consider the Diabetes Association, PO Box 2680, North Canton, Oh 44720



Tribute Wall

John Benjamin

KL

Karen Lupien posted:

my favorite teacher at salem street school and would listen when you had a problem. will see you again one day

January 21 at 9:11 AM

RB

Rhonda Benjamin posted:

Lit a candle in memory of John Benjamin

February 7 at 10:58 AM

SK

Shirley Koulopoulos posted:

So sorry to hear of John's passing. I fondly remember the lovely dinner you shared with me and Lois during my vacation with your Mom. Shirley Koulopoulos

January 24 at 3:33 PM

PM

Peggy Martin posted:

I remember John as always being kind to my special needs students and also taking no nonsense from the ones that chose to act up. He could stop them in their tracks with one look. Bette and Julie, I am so sorry for your loss.

January 23 at 4:55 PM

SF

Sue Sicard Fink posted:

Bette and Julie, I am so sorry for your loss. John was a tough guy but with a big heart. He loved the students at the Frost School. We will keep you in our thoughts and prayers. Sue Sicard Fink

January 23 at 3:25 PM



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JL

Joan Luna posted:

I first met John in 1989 when I did my student teaching at the Frost School. He hired me for my first teaching job after I graduated college and I worked for him for four years. John was a kind , compassionate man who wore his love for all of his students proudly on his sleeve. All those years ago, John was my principal, and also my mentor. I will be forever grateful for all of the opportunities and knowledge he gave to me. I have been a teacher now for over 25 years, and I owe so much of who I am to Mr. John Benjamin. Rest in peace. Joan McCole Luna

January 23 at 2:28 PM

LF

Lee Fickenworth posted:

So sorry to hear the news of Mr. B's passing. He was an assistant principal at Salem Street school on Salem Street when I was there. He was a great guy! My condolences.

January 23 at 11:38 AM

MG

Marcee Richman Giacoppo posted:

It was always nice to see John and have a few chuckles with him. I am so sad about his passing. John, RIP!

January 23 at 7:14 AM

KT

Kathy Dugas Terceiro posted:

John was my mother's principal at the Saunder School in Lawrence and then later mine when I started student teaching at the Frost. He helped me get my first teaching job in Lawrence. I still have the lovely letter of recommendation that he wrote for me. He was such a great person. I always loved chatting with him and he could always make me laugh. I'm thankful that he played such an important role in my career. When I was little he used to let my mother take me to school on "snow days" when I didn't have school and she did. That is when I first developed a love for teaching. I loved watching my mother teach and as I got older, she let me take a reading group or two to help her out. Then later down the road when I was in college, he developed a relationship with Merrimack College which allowed my friend Joan and I to do our student teaching at the Frost. We still laugh thinking about those days. John was so proud of us that he had two professional 8×10 photos of us hanging in the office explaining the schools' connection. I have now been teaching for 27 years and helped start it all. I will always remember him fondly. Kathy Dugas Terceiro

January 22 at 3:35 PM



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PM

Pam Meredith posted:

John and Bette were the first people I met when I moved to Deauville 3 years ago. They lived upstairs and I knew they were watching over me. John was always quick with a smile, a greeting and tidbit of news. They helped me break into my house a cool December night when I had accidentally locked my broken lock and John was there to supervise when Bette and I replaced the lock. I will miss his smile and his genuine friendship. I am very honored to have know this gentle man. I know he will be watching over us. Rest easy, John and keep those angels in line! Until we meet again, Love, Pam

January 22 at 10:46 AM

IL

Irene Ocallghan Lawrence Ma posted:

John was a good friend RIP

January 22 at 8:22 AM

EH

Evey St.Hilaire posted:

Bette & Julie ,I am so sorry for your loss. I have such great memories of us growing up in the "Beacons" & attending the LPS & as principal to my children @ the Saunders/Frost schools & a colleague in the LPS. Please know you are in my thoughts & prayers .Sincerely, Evey St.Hilaire

January 22 at 6:01 AM

RG

Rob Guzman posted:

My condolences! I was a student during John's tenure as principal at the Frost School. He was a fine administrator and role model, and my memories of him are fond. RIP Mr. Benjamin.

January 22 at 5:51 AM

JM

John M Mendoza posted:

I am going to miss him. He was very supportive of my bilingual classroom. Long before block periods became common, John allowed me to use 75 minutes blocks for mathematics and Language Arts to serve our students better. He was kind to me, especially when my father passed away in May of 1998. He cared so much about the students and the Frost School. Rest in peace John.

January 21 at 6:18 PM



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JG

Joyce Charest Gunsever posted:

My favorite teacher from the Salem St School in Lawrence. Rest in peace Mr. Benjamin

January 21 at 6:14 PM

DF

Darwin Fournier posted:

Mr Benjamin was a role model for how a man should carry himself. Made a huge impact in my life. Never gave up on me. You will be missed! Much love.

January 21 at 6:13 PM

EV

Edilin Lopez Vidal posted:

The best principal that the Robert Frost had in Lawrence! My prayers and condolences go out to his friends and family. RIP Mr. Benjamin!

January 21 at 5:25 PM

MY

Marcy Yameen posted:

So sorry for ur loss! JOHN was a great guy may he rest in peace ! To all his family members my heart goes out to you all! Please except my deepest sympathy ! March Hebbelinck Yasmeeen

January 21 at 4:35 PM

MS

Mr & Mrs. Tony Silva posted:

Deepest Sympathy for your loss. Tony & Maryellen Silva

January 21 at 4:32 PM

KL

Katie Lobuono posted:

John gave me my first teaching job. I will always appreciate the chance he gave me. My sincere condolences to his family.

January 21 at 3:47 PM



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MG

Mary Wheeler-Gosselin posted:

My sympathies to the Benjamin Family. May your happy memories bring you peace and comfort at this sad time. Sincerely, Mary Wheeler-Gosselin

January 21 at 3:35 PM

AL

Anne Marie Leduc posted:

Mr. Benjamin was such a great influence on me as a Principal at the Robert Frost School. He was a great educator and although he is gone he left a very positive mark on many people including myself.

January 21 at 3:30 PM

HP

Heather Puchtler posted:

Mr. Benjamin was one of the best men and role models I was lucky enough to know in my life. Growing up in Lawrence, and then being Principle there, he understood and could appreciate the challenges of his students. He always treated the kids with respect and kindness. He will be sadly missed but never forgotten.

January 21 at 3:09 PM

MC

Made Line Castro posted:

The best out the best principal roll model that I ever knew let the Lord carry you in his wings Mr benjemani you were the best here in earth have a greater life in heaven your missed

January 21 at 3:00 PM

DS

Dawna K Sharpe posted:

My deepest condolences Bette. Dawna Koretsky Sharpe

January 21 at 2:40 PM

JS

John Sherman posted:

Thanks Mr. Benjamin the Tanguay family thanks you

January 21 at 2:31 PM



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WR

Wendy Crocker-Roberge posted:

As a student, and later a colleague, I have always appreciated John's commitment to excellence and the personal interest he took in me and my family. He never missed an opportunity to talk about his pride and joy, Julie, and I send thoughts of gratitude and love to his family with his passing.

January 21 at 1:51 PM

JL

Joanne M. Lovecchio posted:

Dear Bette, Julie and Stephen, John surely "ran the Frost like a tight ship and was its captain". In a school that housed K-8, he knew every child's name and knew who and what was going on in "his school". Whenever you had a urgent matter in the family, he didn't hesitate to tell you to go and make your concern your first priority. He also encouraged and brought out the potential best in many teachers. John had a heart of gold and we will miss him, his friendship and leadership. Frost School Teacher (Retired) Joanne M. Lovecchio

January 21 at 1:42 PM

PP

Patricia Perron posted:

To the family of Mr. Benjamin, you have my deepest sympathy and heartfelt sorrow for your loss. I remember him from the Salem street school. He was there as my kids teacher and they thought the world of him. He had a great sense of humor and made the kids feel very special. I'm sure he will watch over all of his family. Rip Mr Benjamin

January 21 at 12:50 PM

TW

Terri Waldie posted:

My condolences to all the Benjamin family. He was one of my favorite teachers. He was my teacher in the Salem street school and later in life when ever we ran into each other he always remembered me even my name. RIP Mr Benjamin. Theresa (Kanan) Waldie

January 21 at 12:07 PM

BB

Bill Blanchette posted:

I first met John when he was working as a Park instructor at Riley Park. We had a blast that summer! Our paths continued to cross over the next four years. What a great guy. My condolences to the Benjamin family, John will be remembered and missed. Bill Blanchette

January 21 at 11:56 AM



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CG

Christine Gonzalez posted:

Rip mr Benjamin

January 21 at 11:55 AM

TC

Timothy Carter posted:

Mr. Benjamin called me not to long ago. It was a pleasure to have known him and share some stories when I was in his class. He was an exceptional person as well as a teacher. You will be missed, God Bless.....

January 21 at 11:55 AM

MB

Marilyn Barry posted:

My deepest sympathy to you all. I have known John since grammar school and worked with him as a teacher. We had many laughs together...he always had a funny story to tell.Keeping you in my thoughts and prayers.

January 21 at 11:21 AM

AJ

Amy Jones posted:

My memory of Mr. Benjamin from grade 6 at the Salem Street School in Lawrence-I was practicing the clarinet (badly) in a room before my music lesson and Mr. Benjamin came running into the room saying, "WHAT is that noise? I thought there was a dying animal in here!" He had such a great sense of humor and an awesome mustache. Rest in peace, Mr. Benjamin.

January 21 at 11:03 AM

TG

Tracy G posted:

My childhood principal will never be forgotten!

January 21 at 10:31 AM

LC

Lisa Cascio posted:

Sending prayers and condolences to the entire Benjamin family....so many memories from childhood, all of them treasured.

January 21 at 10:17 AM



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JM

Judith Marte posted:

John was Principal at the Frost School when I was Executive Director for Business Support Services. He was a trusted peer and valued friend. We shared some good times. I am sorry to hear about his passing.

January 21 at 9:51 AM

SB

Scott Bourgoin posted:

I will never forget the day he brought Florida oranges to school and taught us how to juggle. Rest in peace Mr B

January 21 at 9:35 AM

MF

Melissa Fernandez posted:

When i was a kid always thought he was mean and scary til i got to know him he was a great principal and was always there whenever I needed him.

January 21 at 8:58 AM

DD

Diana Denapoli posted:

What a shock it was to hear of John's passing. He was a caring educator who truly loved his students. May the Benjamin Family take comfort knowing that all who knew John will miss him so very much. It was such a privilege to know him.

January 21 at 7:36 AM

SL

Sherry Iannazzo Latham posted:

I worked with John at LPS on the 90 's. He was always so kind to me. So sorry for your loss

January 21 at 6:04 AM

EC

Elizabeth McCarthy/Cole posted:

I am so sorry for your loss, He was an awesome principle stern but loving may god carry him to heaven where he will be welcomed .

January 21 at 5:54 AM



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TG

Tricia Beland Gately posted:

Mr. Benjamin was a great man. He truly loved his students, and made a deep impression on every student who passed through the doors. There are very few educators who are as dedicated as him.

January 21 at 5:26 AM

DL

Debbie Lariviere posted:

Sent a gift in memory of John Benjamin

January 21 at 4:58 AM

FW

Florence Wall posted:

Rest in peace John and THANK YOU for all you did for my family, you will always be in my heart. The Wall Family

January 21 at 4:10 AM

EF

Elaine Ford posted:

Dear Bette and Julie...I am so sad to hear of your great loss. I will include you and him in my prayers. There are so many stories. He helped me through a rough time, as he did for others. I never forgot.
Elaine Ford

January 20 at 7:46 PM

KR

Kristina Green-Redman posted:

You were a wonderful principal. Knew your students by name. Even as an adult you remembered. My thoughts and prayers to your family.

January 20 at 6:24 PM

GM

Grace Marino posted:

The warmth you shared will have a ripple effect that will last for generations. You were an angel on Earth, now you will continue to watch over us all. You were a blessing in my life. Deepest condolences to all.

January 20 at 5:58 PM



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Daniel Ford posted:

JOHN BENJAMIN WAS THE UNDISPUTED BEST SCHOOL LEADER I HAVE EVER MET. ALWAYS SMILING, DEVOTED TO HIS STUDENTS, WELL RESPECTED BY HIS STAFF, JOHN'S SERVICE DID HONOR TO EDUCATION

January 20 at 4:54 PM



Linda Newman posted:

Bette- Sorry for your loss. My prayers are with you! Linda Newman

January 20 at 2:23 PM



Beverly Call posted:

Julie,"I just love my father, I just love my mother, I just love my parents", many times a week you spoke those words with great stories about them. He shines through you. My heart and prayers are with you and your Mom.Bev

January 20 at 1:17 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring John by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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