



Renae Crain Black

February 19, 1943 - June 9, 2025

RENAE CRAIN BLACK, AGE 82

And a longtime resident of Metairie passed away Monday morning June 9, 2025 at Ochsner Medical Center after a lengthy illness. She was born in Tylertown, Mississippi on February 19, 1943 and grew up in northern Washington Parish. After graduating from Pine High School, Renae obtained a Bachelor's degree in education from Louisiana State University. She had a lifelong thirst for knowledge and would later receive her Master's degree in Latin from the University of New Orleans. Renae was an English and Latin teacher within different high schools in Jefferson Parish, most notably at Grace King High School for many years, before retiring. She greatly valued the opportunity to educate and mentor countless young people through the years and she always tried to instill into them her own passion for learning. Renae enjoyed exercising and traveling. She was an avid reader of her Bible and other books. She was truly a selfless person, always thinking about the needs of others over herself. This applied especially to her family and granddaughters, who affectionately called her "Nona". Renae loved spending time with them after school, reading and learning and always enjoyed bringing them on trips back to her home area, including the Washington Parish Free Fair every October. She will be forever remembered for the joy she brought into the lives of her students, the commitment she had to education and for the unconditional love she had for her family.

Survived by:

Son and Daughter in law: Jim and Dodee Black of Metairie

2 Granddaughters: Camille Elizabeth Black,
Madeline Renae Black

Sister in law: Sue Fortenberry Crain

Nephew and Niece: Roger Wesley Crain and Theresa Crain

Great-nephews and Nieces: Wesley John Crain,
Brooke and Ian Turner,
Lylah Audrey Crain

Also survived by numerous cousins

She was preceded in death by her father John Wesley Crain, mother Nell Crain Corkern, brother John Wayne Crain and other family members.

Visitation will be at Stateline Missionary Baptist Church (31384 Hwy. 62, Franklinton, LA) on Sunday June 15th from 1:00 pm until 2:00 pm. A funeral service will be held in the church at 2:00 pm Sunday with Bro. Trey Jenkins and Bro. Patrick Magee officiating. Burial will follow in the Seals-Tullos Cemetery.

Pallbearers: Benjamin Biggs, Roger Crain, Wesley Crain, Ian Turner, Sammy Crain, George Mueller

Tribute Wall

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“ I was one of her students at Grace King between 94-98. I wasn't the best student in her class, Lol. However, she was always one of those teachers that I wish she met me as an adult and I could have told her that I always wanted to impress her and show her what I made of myself. I was just to stupid, immature and young to give her the respect she deserved at the time. God rest her soul.

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“ My favorite English teacher at Grace King '86-'87. I still have fond memories of being in her class. I was fortunate to run into her at the Library on Causeway and even carried her Christmas tree to her car at a local Christmas tree lot. I loved how she always referred to me by my last name and the tone she used. God Bless her.

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“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Renae Crain Black.

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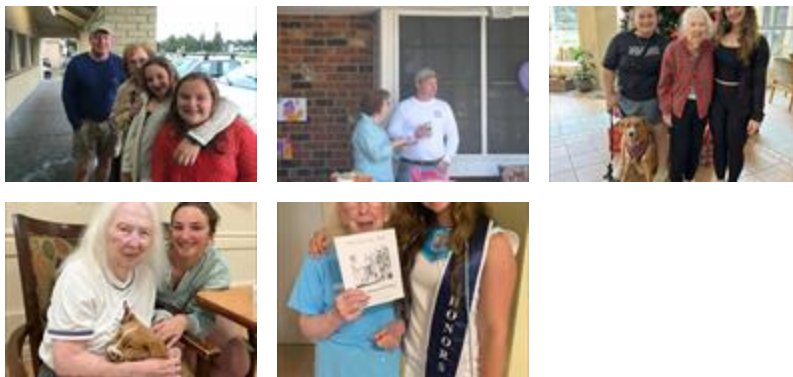
“ *In memory of Renae Black, a remarkable woman whose values and love have clearly shaped the wonderful person Jim is today. Though I did not have the privilege of knowing her personally, it is evident that her kindness, strength, and compassion have left a lasting legacy. Thank you, Renae, for the incredible impact you've had on those around you. You will be remembered fondly*

Greg George

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