

Sherry Burcham Anderson



1953-2009



Sherry Burcham Anderson attended Mary Washington College and graduated from Madison College, now JMU. She was employed at Beverley Manor Middle School in Augusta County, Keister Elementary School in Harrisonburg, Virginia and most recently at the child development clinic at JMU. A beloved member of the community, Anderson impacted many people's lives. Sherry was an avid runner as well as a member of the Asbury United Methodist Church in Harrisonburg, Virginia. "Faithful," "loving," "caring," "dedicated" and "energizing" were just a few of the words used to describe her. Mrs. Anderson valued education and spent her entire life teaching kids. She was an active member in many community organizations. Mrs. Anderson had enthusiastically volunteered to assist with the HEF's 5K Walk-Run prior to her death. She was a devoted wife and mother. Mrs. Anderson was tragically killed while running on the morning of January 6, 2009.

The 5K Walk-Run is a fundraiser that has been designed to support the local educational programs implemented by the Harrisonburg Education Foundation as well as to celebrate the life of Sherry Anderson. Mrs. Anderson was committed to teaching children in the Harrisonburg, Virginia area. She was also an avid runner. By establishing an event such as this, we not only honor Mrs. Anderson by participating in something she loved to do but also fund specific programs which benefit the children in the Harrisonburg City Public Schools.