

**Susan F. Berryman, 53,
active in service groups**

PITTSFIELD — Mrs. Susan Farley Berryman, 53, of 43 Cummings Ave. died at Mount Greylock Extended Care Facility on Friday from complications stemming from the cancer she had been fighting for the last eight years.

She was born in Waterbury, Conn., on July 5, 1942, the daughter of Edward Farley and the late Mercy Corbet Farley, and was a 1960 graduate of William H. Hall High School in West Hartford, Conn. In 1964, she graduated from St. Joseph College in West Hartford with a bachelor's degree in history. She then worked for the town of West Hartford until her marriage in 1970.

Mrs. Berryman received her master's degree in education from Lesley College in Boston in 1993. She had lived in New Jersey and Connecticut at various times and had resided for more than 25 years in Pittsfield, where she was involved in community service.

Mrs. Berryman served as home room mother and volunteer librarian at Dawes and Williams elementary schools while her children attended, and also served on the Parent Teacher Organization boards of Dawes, Williams and Herberg Middle schools.

She was a troop leader for the Brownies and Girl Scouts, a docent at the Berkshire Museum and co-organizer for the Festival of Trees at the museum.

A communicant of St. Teresa's Church, she had served as a Sunday school teacher and substitute, a volunteer for the Nifty Thrifty church good will store and as a volunteer and organizer for many church functions.

Mrs. Berryman was a substitute teacher for many years and had recently helped in the fight for a pay raise for her fellow substitute teachers, even though she was no longer able to teach because of poor health. She also collected for the American Heart Association for many years.

Besides her father of West Hartford, she leaves her husband, William H. Berryman Jr., whom she married May 16, 1970; a son, William H. Berryman III of Pittsfield; a daughter, Miss Megan Farley Berryman of Pittsfield; a sister, Miss Joan Farley of West Hartford; and a brother, Edward Farley Jr. of West Hartford.

A Liturgy of Christian Burial will be celebrated Tuesday at 11 at St. Teresa's Church by the Rev. John Varley, pastor. Burial will be in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

Calling hours at the Wellington Funeral Home are tomorrow from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the American Cancer Society, 197 South St., Pittsfield, 01201.

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