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DEDICATION: JUANITA MOORE

We, the classes of 1995, proudly dedicate this 48th edition of Mercilite to a woman much to special to forget, Mrs. Juanita Moore. As each of us walk through the doors of Mercy School of Nursing, we are welcomed by Mrs. Moore. She is one of our first instructors here at Mercy, who teaches us the basic essentials of nursing care. Which each of us carry throughout the course of our careers in Nursing.

These basic nursing skills taught to us by Mrs. Moore can be thought of as a foundation. Mrs. Moore provides each of us with a strong foundation in which we are able to build on. As each of us moved on from freshman to upper-classman the spirit that Mrs. Moore instilled in each of us will always live in our hearts. It is clear to see that Mrs. Moore is dedicated to the success of each student.

—L. Rogers



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Seniors

Three years ago we began a journey like no other any of us had undertaken before. We had expectations of where we would find the joys of nursing and a tremendous fear of the unknown. Innocent little catapillars inching along.

As time past-the countless hours in hard chairs hearing about the sixth sense we would someday find or the hours spent pondering on clinical. Is it an insulin or TB syringe? We evolved from catapillars to butterflies. We found our new joys and fears in unexpected places and met them with determination.

Now we are ready to fly

from our cocoons. As we fly both near and far may we be prosperous, for we are able.



Level 3 Senior Class Officers Left to Right: Amy Abbotts, Secretary; Amy Burgess, Treasurer; Kathy Nance, President; Ginger Parson, Hearing and

Appeals Committee; Suronda Burke, Vice President; Sharon Barber, Year-book Representative; Ashley Stewart, Social Committee.



Be strong and of good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the Lord thy God is with thee withersoever thou goest. Joshua 1:9

Junior Class Secretary
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I love you Mom, Dad, James, Warren and MeeMaw!

Amy Elizabeth Abbotts



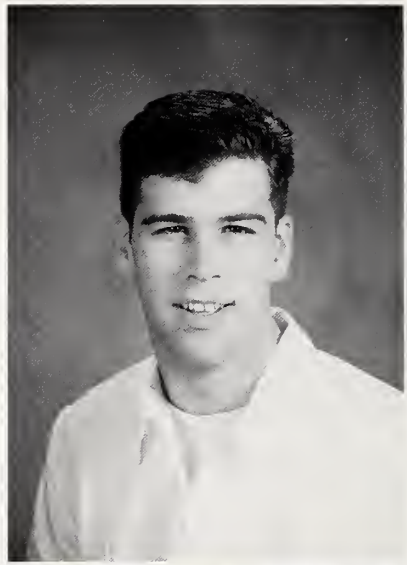
Sharon Barber



Jennie Leigh Blackwelder

If I can stop one heart from breaking,
I shall not live in vain;
If I can ease one life in aching,
or cool one pain
or help one fainting robin,
unto his nest again,
I shall not live in vain. —Emily Dickinson
Never give up, miracles happen everyday.

Tyson Bogart



Brenda Buero



Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and lean not on your own understanding,
In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he shall direct your paths.

Senior Class Treasurer

Amy Marie Burgess





Let me dedicate my life today,
to the care of those who come my way.
Let me touch each one with healing hand,
and the gentle art for which I stand.
And then tonight when day is done,
O' let me rest in peace if I helped just one.

Student Government Association
NSNA Member

Erin Lee Burgess



Do the very best you can . . . and leave
the outcome to God.

Santa Filamena Honor Society
Resident Advisor
Graduation Spokesperson
Campus Ministries Secretary

Suronda Renea Burke



Some people come into our lives and quietly go.
Others stay for a while and leave footprints on our hearts and we are never the same.

In my three years at Mercy there have been many people who have left footprints on my heart. They will never be forgotten.

Robin Renee Efird

Student Government Association, President
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Santa Filamena Honor Society
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Student Government Association 1st
Vice President
Social Committee Chairperson
Campus Ministries

With God nothing shall be impossible!

Julie Ann Gilbert



Take time to work—
It is the price of success.
Take time to think—
It is the source of power.
Take time to play—
It is the secret of perpetual youth.
Take time to read—
It is the foundation of wisdom.
Take time to be friendly—
It is the road to happiness.
Take time to be loved—
It is the privilege of the God's
Take time to share—
Life is too short to be selfish.
Take time to laugh—
Laughter is the music of the soul.

Catherine E. Groux





Catherine Ivester



“The past can not be changed, but the future is whatever you want it to be.”

Aileen A. Jones



Theresa Melville

As I care for my patients today,
Be there with me O' Lord I pray.
Make my words kind—it means so much—
And in my hands your healing touch.
Let your love shine through all that I do,
So those in need may hear and feel you.
—Author Unknown

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Senior Class President
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I can do all things through Christ which
strengthens me. Phil. 4:13

Kathy Ann Nance



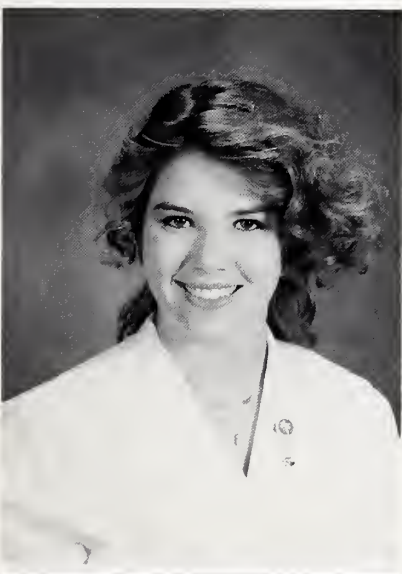
There is a time for everything,
And a season for every activity under
heaven.
A time to be born and a time to die,
A time to plant and a time to uproot,
A time to kill and a time to heal,
A time to tear down and a time to build,
A time to weep and a time to laugh,
A time to mourn and a time to dance.
Ecclesiastes 3:1-4

Virginia Mae Parson





Cheryl Mock Rice



I saw a garden the other day,
Each flower special in its own way.
For while they bloomed each own there own,
It was together their beauty shone.
If one would need more light or air,
The others would kneel and so would share.
If one would wither for lack of rain,
The tears of others would stem the pain.
And so together the flowers grew,
In strength and love their lifetime through.—
Margie Nutter

Daddy and Mom,
Thank you so much for everything you have
done for me. Also thank you for being my
parents. Your love and support have not
gone unnoticed.

Lorie Michelle Rogers



God grant me the serenity to accept the things
I can not change. The courage to change the
things I can. And wisdom to know the differ-
ence.

Maria C. Shaver

A fool once asked, "what are you going to be?"
I replied quickly, "I'm going to be a nurse".
The fool responded sarcastically by saying, "Is that all?"
I simply said, "YES, that's all."
All I see teaches me to trust the creator
for all I do not see.

SGA Member
Campus Ministries Member
Social Committee Member

Ashley L. Stewart

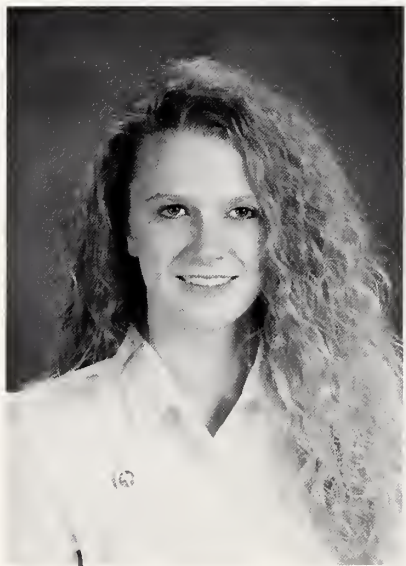


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All I see teaches me to trust the Lord
for all I do not see.
Jill Elaine Tucker



Father, let me hold Thy hand,
and like a child, walk with Thee,
down all my days, secure in Thy Love
and strength. —St. Thomas Kempis

Myra Ann Walker



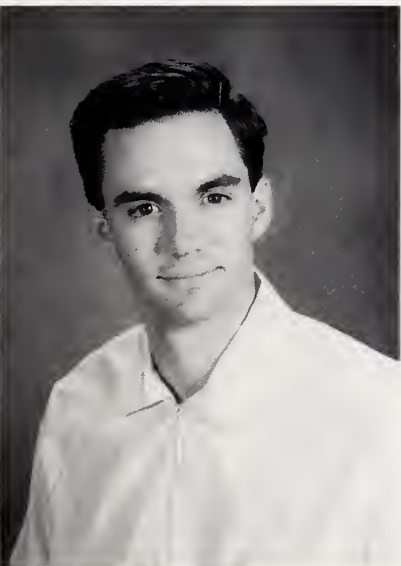


Jennifer Wallace



Trust in the Lord with all thine heart
and lean not unto thine own understanding.
In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and He
shall direct thy paths. —Proverbs 3:5, 6

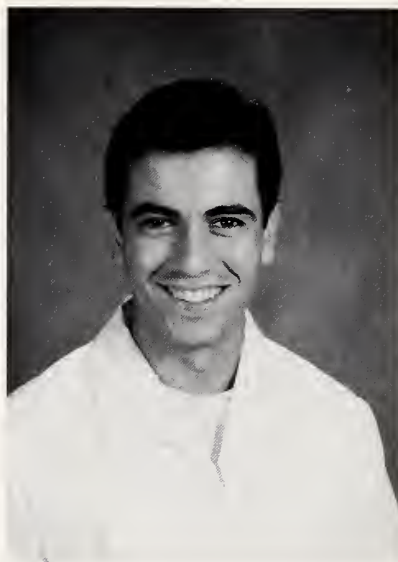
Deborah Wise

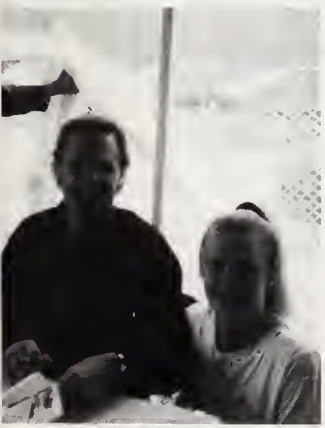


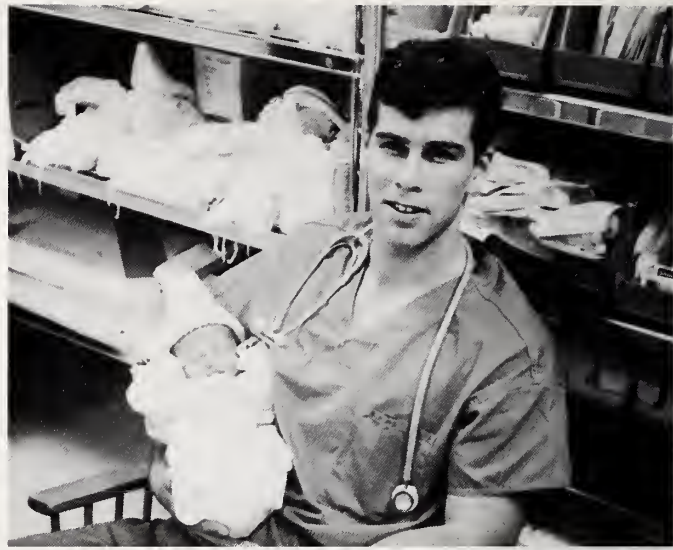
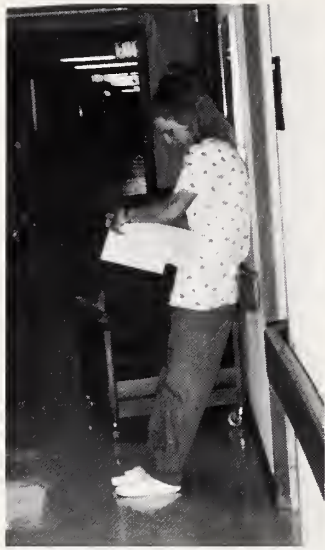
Mark Woods

Its been real and its been fun, but it
hasn't been real fun.

Jeff Ybarra









The class of 1995 will be remembered as the first to graduate from the two-year curriculum. We have faced many challenges; from the most difficult of successfully completing our intense course of study to the simple day challenges of being in the right place at the right time. As a class we have grown and learned that we could do more than we thought possible. Most importantly we have become nurses!

—C. Winebrenner

Level 2 class officers Left to right: Jane Lambert, Treasurer; Dee White, Social Committee; Kim Waller, Vice President; Bill Hasskamp, President; Maylar Wing, Secretary; Tina Alfaro, Yearbook Representative; (not pictured) Jennifer Hedrick, Hearing and Appeals committee; Stephanie Sheets, Social Committee.

Level 2 Seniors



Every person in this world is a dream of
God.

Christina Marie Alfaro



Destiny Carnes



Tracy Glosson





Phillip L. Haddox



Bill Hasskamp



Jennifer Hedrick

Pam Lang



Amy D. Mann



Great is to believe the dream
When we stand in youth by the starry
stream;
But a greater thing is to fight life through
And at the end, "The dream was true".

Stephanie Sheets





When we lay down our caps and cross
the bar
Oh Lord, will you give us just a little
star
To wear in our crowns with our uniforms
new,
in that city above, where the head nurse
is you.
—Amen

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Kim Waller



Leah Beth Wetmore



Tracey Wiles

Charise Winebrenner



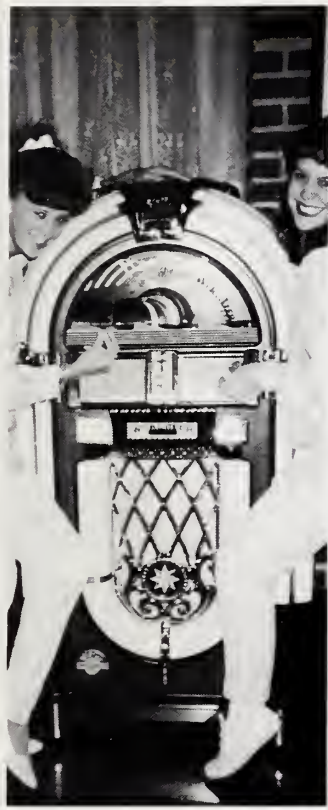
God Gave A Nurse . . .
To show mercy and keep her vow
Comforting the hurting fevered brow.
To soothe the aches of human pain,
serving in love and not for gain.
To do her best to meet each patient's need
Through some loving act or some kind deed.
She stands in place of God's only son
who also came to heal every hurting one.
Power was coming from Him and healing
them all.
Luke 6:19

Tonya Winters



Fran Witherspoon







Level 1 Freshman



Level 1 class officers Left to right: Pat Amon, Social Committee; Carey Melton, Vice President; Atul Patel, President; Victoria Gilreath, Treasurer; Betty Gaskins, Yearbook Representative; Linda Strong, Hearing and Appeals Committee; Barbara Zonoun, Secretary. Our life's dream path, for so long covered, finally stands brightly before us at the door of

Mercy. We entered timidly with our hearts in our hands, but now stand fast in the knowledge we've thrived after. It is just the beginning for us, but a whole new world has already opened before our eyes. We know the next few years to come will live within us forever.

—J. Tucker

Level I

Debbie Broughton



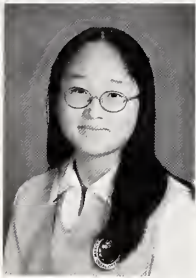
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Karen Bumgardener



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Delia Clay
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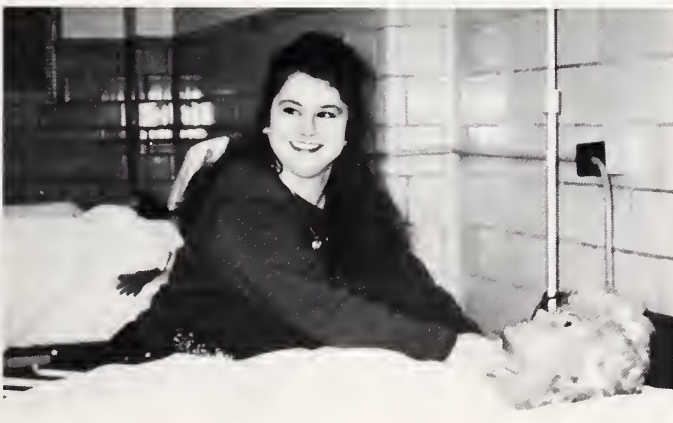
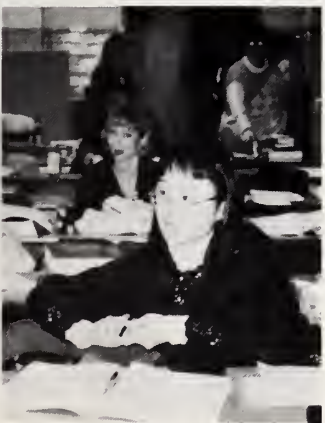
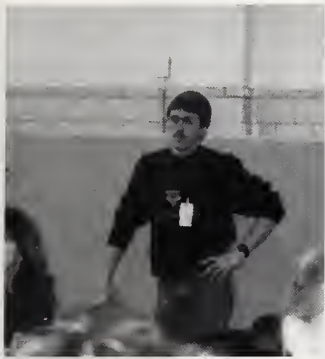


Shannon Greene
Meredith Greer
Jeanie Slaven
Mary Smallwood



Diane Steigal
Jill Tomlinson
Julie Tucker
Cheryl Wall







SGA



NSNA: Left to right — C. Wall, G. Traver, S. Barber, P. Haddox, K. Waller, S. Sheets, J. Gilbert, B. Hasskamp, J. Tomlinson, A. Mann

Santa Filomena: Left to right— S. Burke, G. Traver, L. Rogers, J. Gilbert, M. Walker, M. Morgan, A. Abbotts, P. Haddox, K. Nance, M. Shaver, K. Waller, B. Hasskamp, C. Winebrenner, S. Barber



Yearbook Staff: Left to right— Lorie Rogers, Editor; Myra Walker, Co-Editor; T. Alfaro, S. Barber.

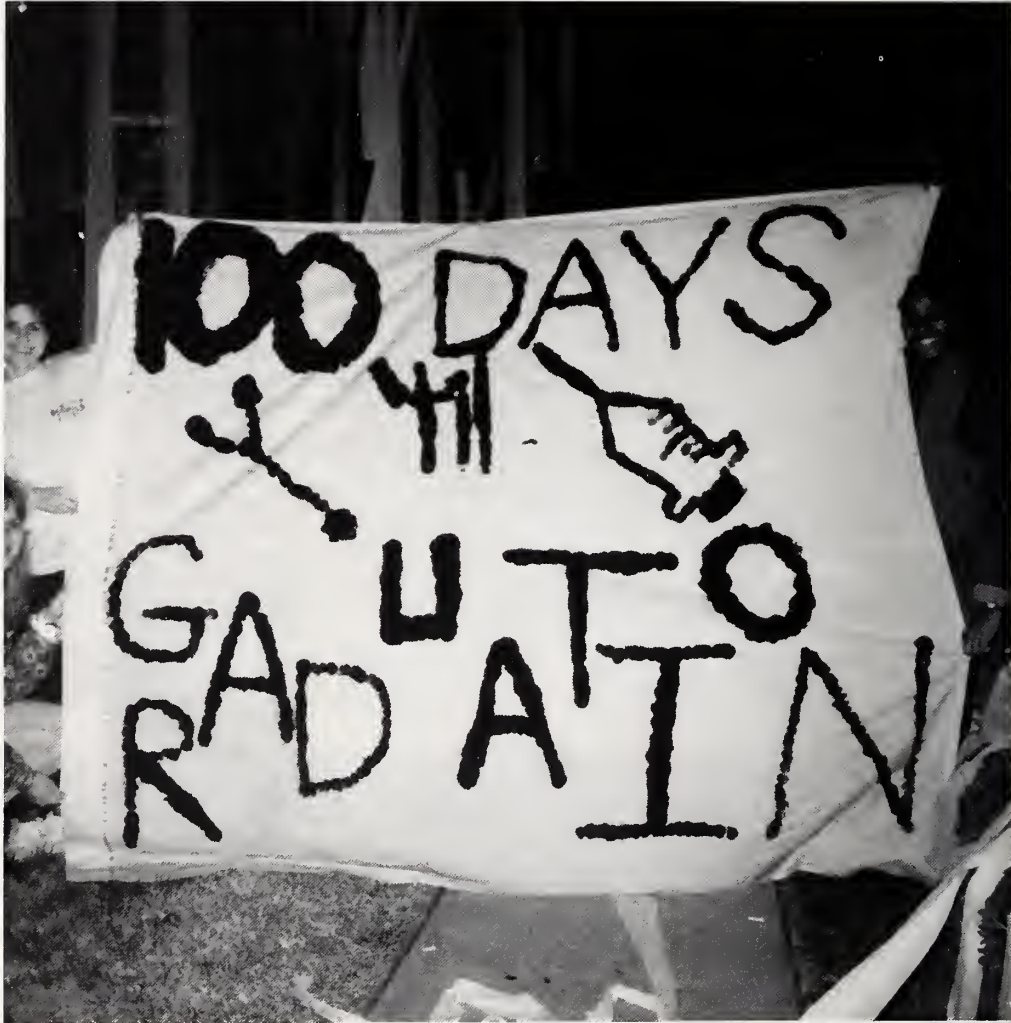
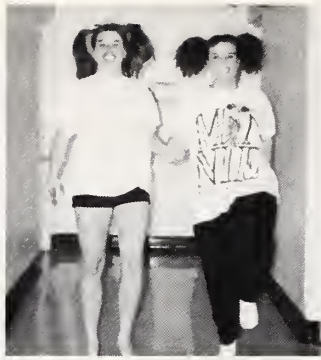
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Social Committee: Left to right— J. Tucker, K. Nance, S. Sheets, P. Amon, A. Stewart, J. Wallace, J. Gilbert, P. Lang















Georgia,

You have brought love and compassion into our lives, now as you enter your new profession, some family will find that same love and compassion in their time of need. We fill that your life long wish of becoming a nurse has required great sacrifice's and hard work. Your family is extremely proud of you.

**May God Bless You,
Grandmother, Mother, Dad, Husband and Children**



**TONYA WINTERS,
BABY, YOU'VE
COME A
LONG WAY!
AND I
COULDN'T BE
PROUDER!!!**

Your Loving Mom



*Amy,
Congratulations! We are very proud of you and wish you all the best. May you always approach the future with the sweet spirit you have always had. God bless and guide you through tough times. You are the best, and we love you very much.*

*Love,
Dad, Mom, James & MeeMaw*

*Myra Ann,
The most wonderful thing happened to me July 30, 1974! You became my precious daughter. I was very proud that day, and as I see you now, I'm even more proud and thankful. I wish for you the best in this field you have chosen.*

*I LOVE YOU!
MAMA*

REMEMBER WHEN:

- WE came to move in and thought "Oh no what have we Done?" as we glared at our bare rooms.
 - Top of the world—our first night parting and getting to know each other.
 - WE practiced our line dances every night in our socked feet in the halls.
 - WE walked to CPCC to learn and watch the queers walk by.
 - WE celebrated each others birthdays at their favorite restaurant.
 - WE watched Son-in-law night after night and laughed even more each time.
 - It took us seven hours to study five pages of notes for the test-task! task!
 - WE compared patients after clinical to see who had the worst day.
 - WE prepared for and cleaned up after every SGA party.
 - WE went bowling and to the Regency movies.
 - WE ate at Darryl's, Pizza Hut and Rock—o-la.
 - WE birthed babies together in Maternity.
 - WE sat through seminars, debates and long lectures.
 - WE would exchange life stories until early in the morning.
 - WE wrote on each others legs, giggled, and played cards instead of studying for our exam.
 - WE argued, slammed doors, hated each other for weeks, and talked behind each others backs.
 - WE met and lost good friends throughout the years—Patty, Lizzy, Mendy, Miwha and Chris.
 - Ginger fell in the creek when we went to the park.
 - Jill came upstairs and showed us where the spider bit her on the butt.
 - Kathy taught us the language of "hick"—BRITCHES!
 - Julie wore the same outfit for a month every time we went out.
- WE DECIDED WE WOULD NEVER FIND BETTER FRIENDS!
we have made many memories together. Always keep them close at heart. Throughout it all, our love continues to grow.
BEST FRIENDS FOREVER!
Ginger, Julie, Jill & Kathy





CONGRATULATIONS "KATHY"

*We are so proud of you
"you will always be our
shining star!"*

*Love,
Dad and Mom*



Julie,

We want you to know how proud we are of you. We realize it has taken a lot of hard work and dedication to reach this goal. Not only have you maintained good grades but you have also had a job during all three years of school and still participated in a lot of extra activities at school, this takes real motivation.

We know you are looking forward to getting out of school and moving into your new career and marriage. Even though we will miss you at home, we are still happy for you and really appreciate you getting your education.

We are, also, glad that God has always been a part of your life, just carry this into your marriage and you and Greg will have a happy life together.

Best wishes to you in your career, we know you will be a very caring and compassionate nurse.

*Congratulations,
Mom and Dad*



Charise—
We are very proud of you and
everything you've accomplished!
We love you!
Mom & Chris

*Cathy,
You have made us very proud of you—
congratulations on your graduation. We
know you will succeed in all your nursing
endeavors.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad & Caroline*



*Congratulations
Ginger!
WE LOVE YOU!
Mom & Dad*



*Stephanie S. Sheets
You've grown from our little "super
star Sheets" to a bright star shin-
ing in the universe. Congratula-
tions! You are finally realizing your
dream; from playing nurse to be-
coming a nurse. You have grown up
over the way into a very bright and
beautiful young woman and we are
so very proud of you. No matter
where you roam, the glow from
your star will always warm our
hearts.*

*Love,
Mom & Dad Eudý*

The Mercilite staff
would like to express
their appreciation to all
of those who
contributed by placing
an advertisement.

*Lorie,
Congratulations! We are
so proud of you! When
you were a small child no
one ever thought you
would amount to any-
thing. You are so great,
wonderful and glorious.
Our hearts are bustin'
with pride!*

*Love,
Mom, Dad & Falin*

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*Kim,
Soon, all of your long hard
nights and weekends of stu-
ding aha! come to a well de-
served end. Now, you will
be able to share God's gifts
that you have been given,
with others. You will not be
completely happy until ev-
eryone around you is taken
care of, and happy too.
Keep praying, caring and
sharing . . . that's why I Love
You!
Your Husband,
Steve*





Brandi Shell,

Words can not explain to you how very proud we are of all you have accomplished so far in your life, and the best is yet to come. This year is bringing so many changes for you, look upon it all as an adventure and don't let problems bring you down. Remember to think things through before making decisions. We'll be there to help you in any way we can, all you need to do is ask. It is so hard to believe that you are an adult and starting your own niche in that world. It doesn't seem possible that you are almost 21. It seems you were just graduating from high school a short time ago. You have always been a delight and we couldn't have asked for a more wonderful daughter . . . although one not quiet so hard headed at times!!!

Congratulations and best wishes sweetheart. Our love and prayers always will follow you. DB, Scott and Chaz send their congratulations and love as well.

Love,
Mom & Dad





*María—
We have watched you through the years, as you have grown and learned. We saw you crawl and learn to walk. We saw you follow and learn to lead. We watched you develop into the bright, energetic, dynamic young woman you have become. You have made us very proud. Remember the best is yet to come.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Bill, Angel & Whitney*



*Theresa,
Congratulations! The past three years have flown by. It's been amazing watching you change from our little girl into a mature young woman. It has not always been easy, but your dedication and hard work have made it possible for you to achieve your goals. We hope the career you have chosen will meet all of your expectations. We are so proud of you, not only for earning your nursing degree, but for being the person you are.*

*Love,
Mom & Dad*



*Jennifer—
Our "Angel of Mercy". You are a wonderful daughter, a terrific person and will be a wonderful, caring nurse. We're proud of you!*

*We Love You,
XOXO
Mom, Dad & Doug*



*"CONGRATULATIONS JILL"
I am so very, very proud of you for all your hard work and determination. You've done a super job! I'll love you always!*

Chris



Nann, (S.L.T.!)
It's been a long
hard road but
you're finally near
the end.

Congratulations
with love from your
husband and family.
(And Mr. "P" too!)



Then:
an adorable
loving daughter.

Now:
a beautiful
loving friend.
We love you and
are very proud
of you!

**Mom, Dad, &
Mike**





*Kim,
We want you to know how proud we are of you!
You have worked so hard and accomplished so much—and have done it all on your own.
As a small child you were able to do anything you set your mind to. As a teenager you were
extremely level headed and responsible for your age. You have always been self-confident and
self-motivated, it is because of this and your determination and dedication that we feel you will
go far in your nursing career.*

*Congratulations!
Love,
Mom & Jess*



A Nurse's Prayer

When I falter, give me courage.

When I tire, renew my strength.

When I weaken because I'm human

Inspire me on to greater length,

If doctors and patients become demanding,

and days are too short for all my duty,

Help me remember I chose to serve,

to do so with grace, spiritual beauty.

In humility Lord, I labor long hours—

and though sometimes I may fret;

My mission is mercy-abide with me,

that I may never forget.

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