

## **BIOGRAPHY OF JANET M. SHANKLIN**

Janet Megan Shanklin was born on January 3, 1968 in Columbus, Ohio. Janet lived her first four years in Upper Arlington, a Columbus suburb. Then she moved to the country outside Milford Center, Ohio. Janet started school at Unionville Center, part of the Fairbanks Consolidated School System. She completed all twelve grades in the Fairbanks schools.

Janet was an outstanding student, especially strong in the language skills - reading, composition, grammar and vocabulary, and had a high average in science and math. Janet ran track in the seventh and eighth grades. She was a football and basketball cheerleader during her four high school years. She played saxophone in the Fairbanks stage band for four years and played piano well. She was active in Campus Crusade for Christ in her junior and senior years and was a photographer for the school paper. In her senior year she was runner-up in the Junior Miss Pageant for Union County. During high school she worked at the Mad River Ski Resort and, during the summer, worked as a life guard at the Marysville pool.

Janet graduated from Fairbanks High School June 1986 and attended Indiana University 1986-87. In her sophomore year she attended Bowling Green State University where she was on the Dean's list and joined Alpha Xi Delta Sorority. She was chosen Outstanding Pledge and was liked and admired by her classmates and sorority sisters as a leader, a positive thinker and someone with enthusiasm, energy and a great zest for life. The summer before starting college was spent in Puerto Rico with her sister, brother-in-law and nephew, Thomas. She became very interested in the Spanish culture and wanted to know more about it and to become fluent in the Spanish language.

Janet attended the Bowling Green State University Abroad program in Madrid, Spain, starting her junior year, September 1988. Janet loved living and going to school in Spain and was having the time of her life. Again, she was a leader among her classmates and became a kind of role model with her "Don't worry, be happy" attitude. Janet was killed in an auto accident in Madrid, Spain, November 8, 1988.

Janet, with her beauty, intelligence, keen wit, and fine sense of humor, was a favorite of many people. She was warm, kind and considerate, and had a sincere desire for an insight into the minds of people she met. She was able to help in a positive way when there was a need. Janet dearly loved her family but, more than anything in the world, she loved her nieces and nephews.

## **JANET M. SHANKLIN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP ACADEMIC YEAR PROGRAM**

The biography of Janet Shanklin will become a part of the scholarship criteria for communication to the recipients so they have a basis for appreciation of the award.

This scholarship shall be governed by the following scholarship criteria:

1. Scholarships shall be awarded to BGSU students attending the Academic Year Abroad Program in Spain.
2. Scholarships will be in the amount of \$2,500 per recipient.
3. Recipients shall be in good standing at the University.
4. Selection of recipients shall be made by a committee coordinated by the Romance and Classical Studies Department and the Academic Year Abroad Program in Spain.
5. In applying for the scholarships, applicants will submit a one-page statement on why they are participating in the Academic Year Abroad Program in Spain and what they hope to obtain from it. They should reflect a positive attitude and display characteristics that will make them goodwill ambassadors for the program.
6. Scholarships shall be applied to the recipient's bursar account in two equal payments, one fall semester and one spring semester.
7. Awards are not renewable.
8. Do NOT put your name on your essay. Sign, print, and date below and attach this sheet to your essay.
9. Deadline to apply is February 19, 2016.

I have read the above scholarship criteria and agree with it as written.

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Signature

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Printed Name

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Date