

## In Memoriam: Susan G. Peacock

Before the Faculty Senate of the University of Louisville on October 4, 2017

Susan Glynn Peacock passed away on Wednesday, August 2, 2017. A native of Louisville, Kentucky, she earned her undergraduate and Master's degree in Education at the University of Louisville and later graduate work at the University of Kentucky. She was passionate about teaching and enjoyed a fulfilling career in education, teaching in Jefferson County public schools, including at Shawnee, Central, and Butler high schools.

After retiring from her first career as a high school teacher, her growing interest in nutrition led her to earn a Master's degree in Nutritional Sciences with an Emphasis in Sports and Wellness Nutrition in 2005. She then began an accomplished second career as a licensed nutritionist and instructor at the University of Louisville in the College of Education and Human Development, Department of Health Sport Sciences. She was a contributing author to the *American College of Sports Medicine's Resource Manual for Guidelines for Exercise Testing and Prescription* 7th edition, with the chapter, "Assessment of Nutritional Status."

Susan served as a Faculty Senator for the past nine years. She chaired the Faculty Senate's Part-time Faculty Committee, and had served on Executive Committee, the Human Resources Advisory Committee (HRAC), and on the Committee on Committees and Credentials.

A repeated Faculty Favorite, Susan was described by students as (in their words) "an energetic teacher who really loves what she is teaching" and as a teacher who "engage[s] everyone and makes us all want to participate." Students commented on her "tactfulness" and noted that she "always made an 8 AM class worth waking up for." As her colleagues, many of us understand and share those feelings. We, too, appreciated her tact, her energy, and her enthusiasm, and that she always made it worth attending a committee meeting.

In her leadership role on the Part-time Faculty Committee, Susan worked to showcase publications and other professional honors by part-time faculty,

organized a service recognition luncheon for part-time faculty who had taught at UofL for more than a decade, and worked with Human Resources to initiate an orientation for new part-time faculty at the start of each semester.

Susan and her late husband, Joseph Peacock, were the parents of four children and eleven grandchildren. Her interests including reading, writing, travel and golf, sharing good wine and conversation with good people, and some time at the beach each summer.

As a teacher, Susan pushed her students to excel in the classroom and in life, but in all her other roles – as parent, friend, colleague, committee chair, she encouraged all of to dream bigger and do better. Those of us who knew her as teacher, colleague, or friend will miss her greatly.