## **Tributes to Marie Hart**

**Date:** Sat, 28 Apr 2007 4:39 PM

From: Beatrice Rogers Subject: Marie Hart

Mike I taught with your Mum at St John Bosco and I am saddened to hear of her death but she had a long life during which she showed great kindness to and consideration for others. We can all say thank you for having known her.

Beatrice (Rogers)

**Date:** Sun, 29 Apr 2007 9:03 PM

From: Ted Donovan Subject: Your mother

Dear Anne and Mike,

With great sadness I heard the news of your mother's death and write to pay tribute to her gallant and courageous spirit and mourn the loss of a lady whose friendship I valued greatly

I first met her in St John Bosco in the Spring of 1967 where one of her responsibilities was to do some English teaching. She was a most dedicated, conscientious teacher with the most marvellous love for the subject and for those she taught. She was a valued and trusted as a colleague and friend. Her organisation and her diligence were a byword among colleagues and pupils.

Such was her pleasure in teaching that she never fully retired as a teacher at all. She found an outlet for her talents and her energy in dealing with mature students and I am sure that to them too she was able to pass on some of her skills and her great experience

Two other words I associate with your mother: dogs and gardens. She was devoted to both and an expert in each. She took so much pride in her garden and, until the day she left Parklands Drive, it was her pride and joy.

Her early life was not easy but this one gathered slowly over the years. She was never one to feel sorry for herself or complain about the difficulties of her early life. They were there to be overcome and never to be used as an occasion of regret or self pity.

To Anne and to yourself and to her grandchildren of whom she was so proud go my sympathy on your loss and the hope that the many, many memories of your mother will sustain you all.

Best wishes

Ted Donovan