

A reception will follow the service
from 4 to 6 pm at The Writer's Center
4508 Walsh Street Bethesda, MD 20815
(Drive North on Wisconsin Ave several miles.
Past Bradley Lane/Blvd, turn right on Walsh.)

The Joaquin Miller Cabin Poetry Series was
important to Jacklyn's philosophy of making a
difference in the community. It combined her
love of nature, the spoken word, and making
people think about their lives. We encourage
keeping alive the programs Jacklyn made vital
for 20 years. Contributions to Word Works and
the Miller Cabin Series may be sent to: The Word
Works, PO Box 42164, Washington, DC 20015.

Special thanks to Donna Denizé and St. Albans
for making St. Albans Chapel available for this
service.

Toujours le mot.



A celebration of the life and art of

Jacklyn Wayne Potter

October 19, 1943 – April 10, 2006

Star

Order of Service

You said *sing*, Daddy.
And I sang with melodies
lilting through my baby
shoelaces; down into my eyes
fell the starlight of yours.
And my proud heart filled
your repertoire.

Let's hear some songs,
you said, for Red Cross
war veterans and heroes and
the Chamber of Commerce. My braids
glistened and my hands
tossed kisses to hundreds of hands
clattering praise.

You said *sing*, Daddy,
and school days ended early
with a microphone
in my hand. My smile
and the bow in my hair
were on the air.

Perfect and best
I sang and heard
your banjo ring.

You said *sing*.
Read through these watermarks.
Your starlight falls from my eyes.
Can you hear this scratching on the page?

Daddy, I am singing.

Jacklyn W. Potter

Welcome

Donna Denizé – St. Albans teacher
and Baha'i chaplain,
American University

The Activist

Anne Becker – *Old Friends*

The Teacher

Steve Bhaerman – teacher, author
and comic healer

The Literary Leader

Karren Alenier – president,
The Word Works

The Poet

Myra Sklarew – professor,
Creative Writing Program,
American University

The Lover of Life and Nature

Marchant Wentworth – husband