Remembering Betty Williams

Indiana felt a huge loss this week. Betty Williams, longtime friend to the Division of Disability and Rehabilitative Services and fierce advocate, passed away on Tuesday, December 4, 2018. Betty’s life and work exemplified self-determination, citizenship, advocacy and inclusion of persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities. Her resume was long with countless achievements, recognitions, positions held, and awards received which made her a strong leader in her local community, state and nationwide.

Betty’s willingness to share her personal story and embrace ideas of self-determination and inclusion brought excitement to our community but most importantly it brought positive change. We at DDRS send our deepest condolences to Betty’s family, friends, coworkers and community. Her genuine spirit, creative ideas and engaging conversation will be dearly missed. In her honor, and in the honor all persons with intellectual and developmental disabilities, DDRS will continue to work to support self-advocates in achieving their vision for a good life.