



Carol Holmes

August 5, 1952 - August 5, 2012

CAROL HOLMES, age 60 of Chesterton, passed away Sunday, August 5, 2012.

She is survived by five children: Michael Forbes of CA, Scott (Latoya) Forbes of Merrillville, Vanessa (Matthew) Towner of Chesterton, Crystal Forbes of Chesterton, Bernadette Darden of VA; mother, Dolores Cartwright of MI; three brothers; two sisters. Preceded in death by father, George Holmes.

Carol was a caregiver at Bridges.

Services will be held at C. S. Mulder Funeral Home, Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan. (906) 632-4951. Local services provided by Pruzin Brothers Funeral Service, Portage.

Tribute Wall

MF

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Michael J Forbes - August 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ *Our Mom may have left this world but she will continue to live on in her children. She was and we are artistic, crafty, resourceful, strong willed, driven and loving children, siblings and parents. One of my favorite qualities of our Mom was her love for all people no matter what their color or creed. Mom taught me how to be a parent before I even was one. She lived a tough life and experienced highs and the lowest of lows and none of her children will likely experience. But my favorite quality was that she tried to live her life right by caring and helping others, she was a giver to those in need and never wanted to owe anyone. Her core value was to live your life right and good things will come.*

Sometimes we forget about those who don't ask for our help or need a shoulder to cry on because we are focused on ourselves or our own families or just believe they are always okay; remember even the strongest sometimes weary and need our love too.

Mom, I will always value your lessons and hold you close to my heart until we meet again in another life.

Michael J Forbes

?A mother is not a person to lean on but a person to make leaning unnecessary?

- Dorothy Canfield Fisher

Michael J Forbes - August 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Carol, Gonna miss you sis.. The rainbow was a nice touch....

Dave Holmes - August 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PE

“ Carol, one on the things I will always remember about you were the driving lessons. You taught me how to drive my 5-speed VW Beetle. I couldn't even drive it off the lot! As an anxious 19 year old, I appreciated your patience. The strength you showed fighting the cancer was amazing. Your wonderful family is in my thoughts and prayers.

Patricia Elkins - August 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VT

“ I know you only fought so hard so we wouldn't have to lose another parent. You were a fighter to the end and i can only hope that I can be that strong of a woman for my family.
Love you Ma,
Nessa and Brooklyn

Vanessa Towner - August 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ Rest easy my sister....

aaaaaaaaaaaaarick Holmes - August 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ My sisters illness, while sad, did something for my family that nothing else did. It brought our scattered family back together, helping us to reconnect and rejoice and grieve together. I and my family as a whole, probably spent more time together, along with Carol, than we had since we were children. We had a wonderful reunion for Carol's 60th birthday. I am looking forward to seeing my nephew Mike, my niece(uncle Bernie) and the rest of my family. So, out of this sad occasion there will also be love and joy. Hopefully reminding all of us how short and precious life is and how important it is to stay in touch, to say I love you...

Rick Holmes - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DC

“ I love you and will miss you so much, my daughter. The only thing that "keeps me going" is the fact that your body will no longer be racked in pain. Grampa Treff, Grama Florence, Grampa Jim, Grama Connie and your dad, who loved you so much, I know were waiting for you when God took you from this earth. Goodbye my baby, save a place in heaven for your mom.

Dolores Holmes Cartwright - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ Carol. This feels so weird that I am writing this.. Although this is very hard for me to accept, I am glad that you are at peace. Thank you so much for being my friend. I will always remember having those long talks with you at work and also over the phone.. I commend you for being so brave and a fighter through your sickness. God Bless You. I love you. I will miss you! See you soon in Heaven.

Kardetra Redmond - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CR

“ Mom- You went through so much during your fight with cancer. You are the strongest woman I know. You amazed me, coming back from near death twice in the hospital. I'm grateful for the few good days we spent after those times, talking, playing games on your computer, and skype-ing the fam.. Your spirit remained strong, even if your body didn't. I love you mom and I miss you so much. Hope you got to see your father again..

Crystal - August 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM