



## Carol J. Holmes

June 3, 1952 - August 5, 2012

Formerly of Kincheloe, Carol Jean Holmes of Chesterton, Indiana passed away on Sunday, August 5th, 2012, at the age of 60 after a long and courageous battle with cancer. She was born in Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan on June 3, 1952 to Dolores Forrest Holmes and George Holmes. Carol was an extremely hard working and generous daughter, sister, mother, and friend who was always doing for others. She loved life and enjoyed cooking, painting, sewing, crafts of all kinds and especially in these last months keeping busy on the computer. Carol was very dedicated to tracing her family's history and did extensive genealogy research. Up until Carol was too sick to work, she had been employed as a caregiver at assisted living facilities in both Michigan and Indiana for many years. She leaves behind so many whom she loved and who loved her, including, six precious grandchildren; Lily, Mikey, Shawn, Lance, Nia, and Brooklyn. Two sons, Michael (Melissa) Forbes of El Dorado, CA and Scott (Latoya) Forbes of Merriville, IN, three daughters, Vanessa (Matthew) Towner and Crystal Forbes of Chesterton, IN and Bernadette Darden of Virginia Beach, VA. She is also survived by her mother, Dolores Holmes Cartwright of Kincheloe, three brothers; Richard (Tammy) Holmes of Marquette, David (Bonnie) Holmes of Dafter, Jerry Holmes of Kincheloe and two sisters, Susan Holmes of Ogdensburg, NY and Sheila (Gary) Hatch of Kincheloe, two step brothers, Randy and Donald Cartwright and three step sisters, Sherrie Smith, Cindy Fabry and Debra Cartwright. Also many aunts, uncle, nieces, nephews and cousins. She was preceded in death by her dad,

George Holmes in 1978. Visitation will be held Friday, Aug.10th from 4pm-8pm at C. S. Mulder Funeral Home with a service to end the evening. Interment will be Saturday, Aug 11th at 11am at Hillcrest Cemetery, Raco, Michigan. She will be deeply missed.

# Tribute Wall

DC

“ God saw how much you had suffered and how tired you were, my daughter, so he called you home to be with him. Part of my heart went with you that day. We miss you so much and will never forget you. Love always, Mom

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**Dolores Holmes Cartwright** - August 19, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ LINK TO INDIANA GUESTBOOK

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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.*

*Mike*

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

*- Dorothy Canfield Fisher*

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

HF

“ May God comfort you and give you peace and strength during this time...My condolences from my family to yours.

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**Hortensia A. Fernandez** - August 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Never new Carol ,but I know that she would have been great to meet her.She looks like a very sweet and special mamma ,grandmother .I know where shes at their was a great need for her there in heaven .Carol ,will be missed ,may God give the family much comfort .

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**Joe & Alice Fernandez** - August 10, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CG

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family through this heartbreaking time. There's nothing I can say that will ease your pain but I just wanted you to know I am thinking of you. My deepest condolences.

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**Chuck Goings** - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Love you Carol. I know you're finally at peace. Dad and Bobby were waiting for you. Your dad too. We love all you guys and wish we could be there for you. You're all in our prayers. Love cousin Sally and family

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**Sally Hill** - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

FK

“ I WANT TO SEND MY CONDOLENCES TO VANESSA AND FAMILY. U AND UR FAMILY WILL BE IN MY PRAYERS. LOVE U NESSA FROM BIRD.

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**FETTIA KING** - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ *In my heart...always. Prayers of comfort to the families of Mama CJ.*

*XOXO,  
Melissa*

*...And if I go, while you're still here.....*

*Know that I live on,*

*Vibrating to a different measure*

*Behind a thin veil you cannot*

*See through.*

*You will not see me,*

*So you must have faith.*

*I wait for the time when*

*We can soar together again,*

*Both aware of each other.*

*Until then, live your life to its fullest*

*And when you need me,*

*Just whisper my name in your heart,*

*I will be there.*

*~Emily Dickinson*

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**Melissa** - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RW

“ Thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Carol helped me on genealogy and researching the Pierce/Stearns family tree. I would have a question about the family and she was right there with the answer. She will be sadly missed by many. The Lord be with you "Mothercj"

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**Roger Weston** - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MG

“ Vanessa  
I am so sorry for your lose.I love you.

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**Morgan Gibson** - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Vanessa  
We are so sorry for your lose. Time will heal the pain but you will never forget. She will always be with you and so will your Dad. You will forever be in my prays.

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**DJ and Janetta Szekely** - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EN

“ We are so very sorry to hear of Carol's passing. She and I spent sometime emailing one another in our search for our family both present and past. Our prayers are with all of you as you move through this difficult, heart-wrenching time in your lives, but she is finally "in no pain" and at peace. May God wrap his arms around each of you and give you the love and support that you need.  
One of the Pierce cousins,  
Al & Eleanor (Huff)Nielsen

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**Eleanor & Al Nielsen** - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

VT

“ WE LOVE YOU AND MISS YOU SO MUCH MOM!REST IN PEACE.  
YOUR GIRLS,  
NESSA AND BROOKLYN

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**Vanessa Towner** - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ *Cindy and family, Sorry for the loss of your loved one. Praying for comfort.*

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**Darlene Goldacker** - August 09, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *we love you carol may you rest in peace aunt dot and uncle jack*

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**dot and jack whaley** - August 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ *Our condolences to Dee and Carol's family. We were so sorry to hear of Carol's passing. Our prayers go out to her family.*

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**Denny & Deanna Suggitt** - August 08, 2012 at 12:00 AM