



Holly B. Lillard

August 4, 2011

Holly B. Lillard, MSW, LISW, age 71, of Dublin, died Thursday August 4, 2011 at Riverside Methodist Hospital with her family by her side. Retired Social Worker for Hamilton County Children's Services. Formerly with Montgomery County, Ohio and San Bernadino County CA Children's Services. Member of Vineyard Church. Earned her Bachelors Degree from California State University and Masters' from University of Dayton. Master gardener and accomplished potter. Veteran U.S. Air Force. Preceded in death by parents, Wakeman R. and Frances Jane Bell; sister, Dianne Bell; brother, Robert Bell. Survived by loving children, Samuel N. (Monica) Lillard of Dublin, Jodie (Jay) Horn of Waynesfield, OH; their father, Larry Lillard of Marco Island, FL; sister, Barbara Bell of St. Louis, MO; brothers, Jim (Diane) Bell of Mansfield, OH, Michael (Suzanne) Morgantown, WV, Larry (Kimiko) Bell of Japan; grandchildren, Maya Szonn-Lillard, Joe (Aly) Horn, Jackie Horn, Jameson Horn, Jessie Matz; many nieces, nephews and cousins. Friends may call 5:30 to 6:30 PM Wednesday August 10, 2011 at St. Michael Lutheran Church, 26 E. Maine St., Mifflin, OH 44805, where Funeral Service will begin at 6:30 PM. Pastor Jeffrey Scott officiating. Interment with military honors at Zehner Cemetery, Ashland, OH. Contributions may be made to St. Michael Lutheran Church in Holly's memory. Please visit www.rutherfordfuneralhome.com to send on-line condolences.

Tribute Wall



“ *Holly B. Lillard*

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ *Sam, Monica & Maya, Our sympathies and prayers for God's comfort to you in your time of loss. We are praying for you. Randall & Felicia Wood Caleb's parents*

Randall & Felicia Wood - August 09, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *It was an honor for me to know Holly, and to call her my friend. Her wisdom, kindness, and bravery was a constant source of strength for me. Her steadfast trust in her heavenly father inspired me to in my own walk with God. Holly loved her family and her grandchildren so very much and it was a joy to share part of that with her. My heart aches because I miss my friend, but I know she is in a joyous place with her heavenly father, fully whole, fully complete.*

Patsy Spencer - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM



“ *We will miss Holly at our Master Gardener sessions. She will always be remembered by her special smile, her dedicated work, and her desire to learn. I will especially miss our car ride sharing and our conversations on those early mornings.*

Ben Gantz - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

GI

“ *It was an honor to see the strength of Holly's quiet faith. God's peace to all....*

Gillian - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

PR

“ *Sam & Family - I was so sad to hear Holly had passed away. She was a delightful person and a wonderful potter. Holly enjoyed her time in clay class and was quick to make friends and share her talents. She will be greatly missed. My sympathy to you and your family. Patty Rinella*

Patty Rinella - August 08, 2011 at 12:00 AM

NC

“ My condolences to All who knew Holly, When I learned of Holly's release from this life Thursday night, the heroes of faith talked about in the Christian scriptures, in Hebrews chapter 11 came to my mind. Although Holly's name does not appear in that chapter of Heroes, her name could be included due to the faith she exemplified during the final years of her life. It could say "It was by faith that Holly trusted her health, healing and life to God when diagnosed with terminal pancreatic cancer and given a death sentence of 4 months to live." Hebrews 11:13 goes on to say that "All the people (heroes of faith) died still believing what God had promised them. They did not receive what was promised, but they saw it all from a distance and welcomed it. They agreed that they were foreigners and nomads on earth. Obviously people who say such things are looking forward to a country they can call their own. If they had longed for the country they came from, they could have gone back. But they were looking for a better place, a heavenly homeland. That is why God is not ashamed to be called her God, for he has prepared a city for them." All the heroes of faith earned a good reputation because of their faith, yet none of them received all the God had promised. I believe Holly is currently experiencing all the wonderful things God has promised to her. Holly taught me that through the worst of situations a person could still have faith; and faith is the confidence that what we hope for will actually happen; and that faith can give us assurance about things we cannot see. I have great faith that I will see Holly again. Until then, I will just miss her. What a great promise we have, those of us who have trusted Christ's death to pay for our sins. "Let us go right into the presence of God with sincere hearts fully trusting him. For our guilty consciences have been sprinkled with Christ's blood to make us clean, and our bodies have been washed with pure water."

Nancy Clarke - August 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ *Holly was a sweet and special lady. I know Kitty always enjoyed the time she spent playing with her and Maya. She will be missed!*

Dawne and Kitty - August 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *Holly and I were friends in High school and lost contact for 40 years. It was wonderful to get in contact with her again a few years ago and to visit with her several days two years ago. She was a wonderful person and will always have a place in my heart. Blessings to all of her family.*

Charles Bame - August 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM

EB

“ *I know that you will carry with you for the rest of your own lives many wonderful memories of Holly. She accomplished a great deal and loved you all very much.*

Ellen Bell - August 07, 2011 at 12:00 AM