



Rita "Holly" Ellard

December 27, 1954 - May 5, 2010

Rita "Holly" Ellard, age 55, of Evansville, passed away Wednesday, May 5, 2010 of pancreatic cancer at the VNA Charlier Hospice Center.

Holly had worked as the Traffic Receiving Coordinator for Henry Fligeltaub Company for 35 years. She was a member of St. Philip Catholic church and a member of the Riverbend Association and past president of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Riverbend Association. She enjoyed scrapbooking, camping and sitting out on her patio and just watching the lake. She loved her dog, Gunner, spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren and socializing with friends.

Surviving Holly are her husband of 27 years, Jesse Ellard, Jr., a daughter and son-in-law, Carly and Joel Werner of Evansville; son and daughter-in-law, Joshua and Jamie Ellard of Newburgh; her parents, Delmar and Peggie (Hape) Wigand of Evansville a sister and brother-in-law, Shelly and Bill Cundiff of Evansville; two brothers, Don Wigand and his wife, Bonnie of Christmas, FL and Brandon Wigand of Evansville and two grandchildren, Jakob and Sidney Ellard. Also surviving are a sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Lydia and James Hagedorn, Sr. of Evansville; brother-in-law and sister-in-law, Brent and Carol Ellard of Newburgh; three nephews and their wives, Michael and Brienne Cundiff, Daniel and Libby Cundiff and James and Angela Hagedorn, Jr.; a niece, Kristle Logel and great nieces and nephews and cousins.

She was preceded in death by her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Jesse and Ruth Ellard, Sr.

Funeral services for Holly will be held at 9:30 A.M. at St. Philip Catholic Church, Rev. Tom Kessler officiating. Burial will follow in the church cemetery.

Friends may visit from 3:00 until 8:00 P.M. on Friday at Pierre Funeral Home, 2601 W. Franklin Street.

Memorial contributions may be made to VNA Hospice.

Friends and family may leave condolences online at www.pierrefuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAY 7. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Pierre Funeral Home
2601 W. Franklin Street
Evansville, IN

Visitation

MAY 8. 9:00 AM - 9:30 AM (CT)

St. Philip Catholic Church
3500 S. St. Philip Road
Mt. Vernon, IN

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Rita "Holly" Ellard

January 16, 2023 at 06:53 PM



“ Carly~ I am so sorry about your mom. I remember all the times we used to go visit her at work, to your parent's house for so many dinners, and all the golf tournaments she watched us play in college. She was such a wonderful, fun-loving person and I am so sorry for your loss. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers...##imported-begin##Megan (Kries) Connor##imported-end##

May 08, 2010 at 06:02 PM



“ Not even sure what to say. Holly was a terrific friend and I will really miss her. We had lots of great times together at work. She was so proud of her children and grandchildren and such a loving mom, grandmother and wife. We talked about that a lot and you could always hear the love in her voice. I have known her since she was young and even babysat her. I consider myself very blessed to have called her friend. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love Carla##imported-begin##carla brackett##imported-end##

May 07, 2010 at 10:32 PM



“ May GOD be with you during this time. May you find strength in knowing that Holly is with him. We are thinking of all of you & praying for you at this time.

Jim, Juanita & Jessica Little##imported-begin##Juanita Hart-Little##imported-end##

May 07, 2010 at 02:35 PM



“ Jesse and Family,
Words cannot express the loss of one so dear to your heart. We are so sorry for your loss and will remember you in our thoughts and prayers. We pray that God give you strength to continue on your journey remembering Holly and all the happy times you have spent with her.

Debbie & Tony##imported-begin##Debbie & Tony Guffey##imported-end##

May 07, 2010 at 11:34 AM



“ Our thoughts and prayer are with you. We are so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Paul, Jan, and Traci Hoehn##imported-end##

May 06, 2010 at 08:56 PM



“ *Dear Jesse and Family:*

I will not be in town but wanted you to know I am so sorry to hear about Holly. Holly was always so upbeat and I am so glad that I got to know her. My sympathies are with you and know that you will be in by prayers.

Take Care

Debbie Schofield##imported-begin##Debbie Schofield##imported-end##

May 06, 2010 at 07:22 PM



“ *I am a former class mate of Cutter and Holly's. Central Class of '72. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Becky Baum Dossett##imported-end##*

May 06, 2010 at 06:24 PM



“ *Holly was a wonderful person and I'm glad I got to meet her. What I remember most is when I first met Jesse and Holly at our wedding. They helped us celebrate and was so happy for us.##imported-begin##Jim and Brenda Carrigan##imported-end##*

May 06, 2010 at 03:59 PM



“ We got to know Holly through Carly and Joel. She was a lot of fun and a great lady. We will miss going to Hacienda with her and will always have a Margarita in her honor! We love you Carly & Joel and so sorry for your loss.##imported-begin##Ju Ju & Randy Mac##imported-end##

May 06, 2010 at 03:02 PM



“ Josh~
May God Bless you and be with you.
May he comfort you and hold you every moment of your sorrow.
Our prayers are with you and your family.##imported-begin##Tim and Carrie Trogden##imported-end##

May 06, 2010 at 12:35 PM



“ We are so sorry for your loss. Your family will be in our prayers.##imported-begin##The Shanks family##imported-end##

May 06, 2010 at 11:44 AM



“ Holly will be missed! My condolences to all friends and family!

On behalf of the Ladies Riverbend auxillary, I also extend our sympathy's.##imported-begin##Sharon Tackett##imported-end##

May 06, 2010 at 11:24 AM



“ *Dear Jesse and Family,
We are so sadden to hear of Holly's passing. Our thoughts and prayer's are with you! Holly was a beautiful, loving wife, mother, grandmother who so enjoyed those grandkids and friend. She will be missed by all. Our love goes out to all of you and wish we could be there for you. God has her in his hands and know that she is out of pain and in a wonderful place. God Bless you all.
Love you,
Dan and Teri###imported-begin##Dan and Teri Northrop###imported-end##*

May 06, 2010 at 05:29 AM