



Diane K. Holt

December 22, 1953 - May 29, 2024

Diane Lambert Holt had a wonderful life, and would like to thank you all for being part of it. Born in Centralia to Joanne and Howard Lambert and eventually becoming a big sister to Greg Lambert and Lisa (Lambert) Bigler, Diane attended Centralia High School and followed up by getting her teaching certificate at SIU. Diane met and married Terry Forbes, had sons Beau and Jared (JJ) Jacob Forbes, and enjoyed a long and fulfilling career as a high school teacher to children with behavioral and learning difficulties in Christopher, IL. Diane also coached cheerleading, played softball, and became a terrific golfer, all while cultivating a wide network of treasured friends. In time Diane and Terry divorced, and a few years later she was able to reconnect with her highschool sweetheart Rick Holt, a Veteran, a Carpenter, and an exceptional maker of apple butter and jams. Rick and Diane enjoyed ten wonderful years together in Christopher, during which time Diane retired from teaching, and survived cancer not once but twice.

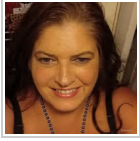
Life gives and takes; Rick passed away in 2016, and though this was a difficult loss, Diane was in turn blessed with two grandbabies around the same time, Ronan and Maisie. Diane was also lucky enough to find love again when she met Mike Mulvin, a retired painter, and moved back home to Centralia. Diane fully threw herself into being a wonderfully supportive Grandmother and a very active gardener, and during this time Diane developed an extensive interest in traveling, holiday decorating, and living the good life. After some

very happy years Diane began to struggle with MSA (multiple systems atrophy). As her health grew more difficult to manage, Diane became particularly fond of midnight drives with Mike and her son Jared, and lived comfortably thanks to their love, attention, and steadfast care. Diane's body grew ill, but her heart was always full.

Diane lit up the room wherever she went, and will be missed terribly. On behalf of her family, we would like to extend our grateful thanks to everyone who cared for Diane over the years. Diane requested that there be no service, so in lieu of a formal gathering, please live your lives to the fullest and never be shy in telling family, friends, and loved ones that they are loved. Diane is survived by her sons, by Mr. Mike Mulvin, by her brother & sister and nieces and nephews, her grandbabies, and her many friends. So goes yet another child of the 60's, and may your lives be as fun and fulfilling, and may you all find as much love, as Diane found in hers. We'll think of Diane every time we watch 'White Christmas' during the holidays, and every time we look up into a sky full of stars during a late night drive.

Sutherland-Garnier Funeral Home and Cremation Services at 235 North Sycamore Street Centralia, Illinois 62801, (618)532-3523, are honored to be of service to Diane's Family. Online condolences may be made to the family by visiting www.sutherlandfuneralhome.com.

Tribute Wall



“ *Diane was my teacher at christopher High School and was so very loving kind and lit up the room with her smile she was the best teacher I had, I just found out of her passing. Sorry for your loss she was a great woman and I will remember her always*



Melinda Delauder - December 28, 2024 at 04:55 AM

RW

“ *12/22/24. Happy first Birthday in heaven! I miss you emmensely! Thank you for letting me be your friend. I hope we meet again someday!*

Rick Wethington - December 22, 2024 at 06:55 AM

JP

“ *Jan Poehelr lit a candle in memory of Diane K. Holt*



Jan Poehelr - June 04, 2024 at 02:44 PM

JP

Diane was a sweet, lovely person who will be deeply missed. My condolences to the family

Jan Poehelr - June 04, 2024 at 02:56 PM

MH

“ *Was a good friend. She will be missed. Rest in peace kid.*

Mary Holtkamp - June 03, 2024 at 10:27 AM

TM

“ We have shared so much together it doesn't seem right that you are gone. While I first met you a few years before Rick died, it seems like I have known you forever. I think about the puzzles that you , Rick and I use to put together, Fritz and papi, plus little red. All the great meals with family and friends that you included me in. Your trip to Atlanta with Gidgit and Linda. GZ in Christopher and that extended family. The late nights finishing projects around your house, laughing together and crying after Rick left us. You were my sister and I will miss you like one. Love you tootsi. (stole that from Rick.)

Ted Meisenheimer - June 01, 2024 at 04:34 PM

BW

“ She was such a kind and sweet person and now an angel. Sympathies to her family and friends . The 60 dances will never be the same

Brenda White - June 01, 2024 at 03:45 PM

SM

“ Broke my heart to heart of her passing. I knew Diane from her childhood in Irvington when I babysat her. When she was younger was always such a sweet, caring & loving gal and continued that through her life. She was loved and will be missed by so many. Sending prayers and hugs to the family and loved ones. Fly high my sweet Diane💕💕

Sue Roper Mashburn - June 01, 2024 at 01:05 AM

RW

“ I first met you when a mutual friend was celebrating an anniversary, but I have known you all of my high school life and then on! We had so much fun working on the BBRJ parade float in 2011. It saddens me that you are no longer with us! But you will live on in my heart forever! Thank you for letting me be a part of your life! I will miss you terribly! I will also miss sending you the Happy Birthday wishes on December 22 each year! May you rest in peace my friend!

Rick Wethington - May 31, 2024 at 11:17 PM

PB

“ Diane visited me in FL several times. We always had a good time and enjoyed eating seafood. She was always upbeat and happy. She will be missed! Prayers to all! ☐💔😇🙏

Peggy Myers Beal - May 31, 2024 at 09:20 PM

RR

On behalf of all the guys in the Sound Waves we send our deepest condolences to her family. She was involved in our shows and helped tremendously. Her father was my grade school principal and would enjoy speaking with Diane about his influences on my life. God bless her rest and peace.

Rev. Joey Rhodes retired - June 03, 2024 at 01:51 PM

TS

“ Toni Stuart lit a candle in memory of Diane K. Holt



Toni Stuart - May 31, 2024 at 07:29 PM

FM

“ I am so sorry to hear the news of Diane’s passing. Friends during high school, we reconnected in 2011 with the combined 1971 and 1972 Centralia High School Reunion. As that event was being planned, Diane had a leadership role in organizing the Bathhouse Band Reunion Jam that featured many of the musicians that grew up and performed locally. From that time, Diane and I kept in touch as we talked of our families and the blessings we had each received in life.

Diane was full of life. I was so fortunate to know her and to have the opportunity to see her and talk with her in recent years. My prayers and condolences to her family and friends that she loved so much.

Fr. Jon Magoulias - May 31, 2024 at 07:13 PM

JH

“ Janet Huffman lit a candle in memory of Diane K. Holt



Janet Huffman - May 31, 2024 at 06:12 PM