



Phyllis Holman

January 7, 1947 - November 29, 2019

Phyllis Holman passed away on Friday, November 29, 2019 at her home in Shelby Township. Phyllis was born on January 7, 1947 to August and Velma Waterstraat. She is the beloved mother of Lori (Jim) Leonard, Lisa (Mark) Nauts, and Glenn Holman. Proud grandmother of Halie Leonard, Savanna Leonard, Sierra (Dylan) Stallard, Jordan Leonard, Ella Holman, and Riley Holman. Also proud and doting great grandmother of Aubriella Scott. Loving sister of Earl (Mary) Waterstraat, Don (Ilona) Waterstraat, Sonny (Judy) Waterstraat, Sandra Corbett, and the late Bess (Jim) Lowell, Amogene Busher, Beverly Smallman, Rosemary Bonifacio, Eugene (Joann) Waterstraat and Doris Nickel.

Phyllis' family will be holding a Celebration of Life for her on December 12th, 2019. This celebration will take place at The Church of Jesus Christ located at 12500 Plumbrook Rd Sterling Heights, MI 48312 with an open house from 3-8pm and a eulogy at 5pm. Refreshments and hor d'oeuvres will be provided. In lieu of flowers, donations may be to the charity of your choice in Phyllis' memory.

Cemetery Details

Cremation

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC 12. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

The Church of Jesus Christ
12500 Plumbrook
Sterling Heights, MI

Memorial

DEC 12. 5:00 PM (ET)

The Church of Jesus Christ
12500 Plumbrook
Sterling Heights, MI

Tribute Wall

GT

“ Phyllis, the love of my life, and I met and came together in January of 1965.

Originally, in 1967 Phyllis came up with a plan where I could continue college, then

go to law school while Phyllis and I got married, moved in with Phyllis' mother Velma on Osmun, then

I would go to law school at The Detroit College of Law. After law school, I would get my sole client of the Edwards elders and representatives and get appointed to travel to New York City to meet with the leaders of Trinityii Church resulting with a payoff large enough for Phyllis and I to get started together in life with a huge initial investment from Trinity Church.

Phyllis decided she would not wait several more years for me to finish law school, she would not wait to have children who would scuttle our law school plans. Instead, Phyllis chose to marry Larry Holman and start a family with him. Phyllis muddled through 2 failed marriages to Lariy Holman and Chuck Venetis.

Regardless of whatever failed marraiges came about, our love for each other continued for the next 35 years. When I was in college in the 1960's I could never spend any money to give Phyllis happy times cuz I didn't have any, but during the next 35 years I had the money to go and do places to make her happy.

Phyllis and Me had unimaginable heartfilled good times going to Favorite country bar the High Kicker Saloon with Tom Steele and the Steele Canyon band and a riding bull machine, dancing at the

Alibi Lounge, breakfasts at the Ram's Horn, Monday nites at Mr. B's, Friday nites at the Comedy Castle in Royal Oak, many many nites closing the Big Boy, a Sunday tour of Mrs. Wilson's Meadowbrook Estate, reunion and exchanging photographs at Bakers Square, shooting at Double Action, get-togethers at Damons, copying audio tapes at the Steak and, dimming the lights and prime ribs at the Lonestar, dinner at the Ticonderoga, listening to Dwight Yoakam at the Wagon Wheel Saloon, Alan Jackson and Lonestar at the Palace, the Marriot, the Hitch n Post Saloon in Flint, Mongos, terrible movies at Universal Movies, afternoon delights at Carls Chop House, having a Big Chief burger at Doogans, spaghetti at Pasquales, celebrating with a key lime birthday cake on a cold Friday nite at the Clawson Steak House, Macaronis, looking up addresses at the Detroit Public Library, the Meeting place, Shannons steak house after bowling, the Hut, Dimitris, Muldoons, Alibi restaurant, reseaching old newspapers at Oakland University, Burger King, Woody's, Mcdonalds, Dennys, White Castle hamburgers, Frankie Avalon and Lou Christie at Andiommos, Canadian bowling, taking kids to Rochester park, Mountain Jacks, copying photos at Kinkos, buying presents and super size cocoa at Sams, Meijers, driving to the airport, eating chinese at Ming Wahs in Windsor, the Olive Garden, Mackinaw Bridge, Roscommon, Stoney Creek, Greenfield Village, Detroit Zoo, the cemeteries, gravel pits,

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I was rewarded many times over just seeing the happiness in her eyes as we had fun and made up for all the places Phyllis and I would do and go to. My reward was paid when I saw Phyllis' glint when having fun or going to shows like the Alan Jackson concerts.

gary tarasenko - February 27, 2025 at 10:57 PM

GT

I thank God for giving Phyllis and me the last of our 35 years together, and for me to helping her get her divorce, making her happy once more. Rosemary said Phyllis doesnt cry herself to sleep anymore. No more crying at night after we helped her with her last divorce. The year 2000 life begins anew for Phyllis.

Phyllis says:

"Thank you for taking me to see Alan Jackson. It was terrific. I had a really good time."

gary tarasenko - February 27, 2025 at 11:32 PM

 Paula
Nickel
Parisot

“ *Aunt Phyllis, I wish I could have hugged you one more time. I'm so glad we said we loved each other through messaging though right before you left us. I will miss our political conversations for sure! You were a wonderful, loving, kind aunt to me. I loved that you never pulled any punches. You were funny, and a great judge of character -- your candor I will miss immensely. I know you are up there with all your sisters reunited and what a blessing to know that. I love you!*



Paula Nickel Parisot - December 12, 2019 at 11:07 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Holman.*



December 12, 2019 at 09:21 AM

RK

“ thank you for being so kind to me whatever I saw you you’re a woman who left a great legacy thank you for creating such a good friend to me may God hold you in his loving arms

rick kott - December 12, 2019 at 08:59 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Phyllis Holman.



December 11, 2019 at 09:47 PM



Tuesday
Sexton

“ I had the pleasure of meeting Phyllis via her beautiful daughter Lori, and from the moment I met her she had me, she made me laugh and her upfront personality was great, and the Facebook post had me in tears and shaking my head at times, Facebook jail equals Phyllis for me. She was a great woman, mom, grandmother and just all around person and she will missed... I am sending my prayers to Lori and her whole family.

Love
Tuesday

Tuesday Sexton - December 11, 2019 at 04:03 PM



“ *Dreams From the Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Phyllis Holman.*



December 09, 2019 at 02:28 PM



“ *I met your beautiful daughter Lori in Creative Writing in 11th grade. We sat next to each other and became fast friends. Little did I know she would be one of my best friends with a blessed friendship that would be forever. I remember Lori asked me to come over, when I walked in you were sitting at the table, "You said, Who's this??" :) but we became fast friends too! You made me laugh, and when you came by the shop recently, I wasn't feeling well and you gave me the best hug..thank you for that, it meant a lot to me. Matt really adored you too (although he never told you). So I'm letting you know how much you will be missed, thought of daily, and Matt wishes he could make you laugh again. Love you, and I will do my best to watch over Lori, and the family..XO*



Dawn McNabb - December 08, 2019 at 08:41 PM



“ *Our sincere sympathies to Phyllis' family... We remember having lots of laughs and she was always happy to see us... She certainly enjoyed her children and all those grand kids and great grandchild!!! For Lori, Lisa and Glen We pray your memories will keep her in your hearts and you are able to help each other through this difficult time...Love... Uncle Dave and Aunt Sheri Holman*

SheriHolman - December 03, 2019 at 04:17 PM



“ Mom I already miss you coming in and giving me a big hug and yelling “where’s my handsome son-in-law”! Mark always got a little shy when you did that but he loved it! You have always been all of our biggest fan and it showed! Your grandkids loved you so much and when I would ask Aubriella if she wanted to go see GiGi she got so excited to go to your house and visit and play on your moms organ! I will cherish all my great memories but not having you here hurts so much! We Love you and miss you terribly!



Lisa Nauts - December 03, 2019 at 01:42 PM



“ Mom, I am in shock and disbelief! I keep waiting for a text or you to walk in our house. I love you more than you know and i wish i could tell you one more time and hug you longer snd harder! I miss your voice already and am not ready to do life without you, I don’t want to , but I’m going to be! Life is not fair and I am numb. I could use a sign you are with me! Tomorrow is my first birthday without you Mom and it sucks! Heaven is definitely lucky to have you! I know you ate pissed you can’t vote for Trump in 2020, but we will be! You were the best Mom and amazing Grandma with huge proud love for your grandkids, who all are missing you really bad. You and all of your sisters ate back together once again! I hope you ate dancing and bowling again... please keep an eye on my girls. Please watch out for them everyday. Rest in peace Mom💕i miss you so much it hurts! I promise to think of you everyday... I LOVE YOU. Lori Lynn



lori leonard - December 02, 2019 at 09:51 PM

LL

I should've hit spellcheck or had my glasses on... Before I hit post lol

lori leonard - December 02, 2019 at 11:55 PM

LF

“ *I will never forget Making pasties at her house with the Target crew and making strawberry jelly with my mother. She was a terrific friend and a gentle soul. Will miss you*

Linda Flaviani - December 02, 2019 at 09:28 PM

SS

“ *My grandma was so proud to be a grandma. She always made my favorite food (her twice baked mashed potatoes) even though she always wondered why I loved them so much. She supported me through everything I have ever done. I'll really miss her randomly stopping over & spending time with us. I'm not ready to lose my grandma, but heaven is really lucky to have her. I love you forever. I miss you so much.*

Sierra Stallard - December 02, 2019 at 09:21 PM

SS

Also, our bowling & Big Boy "date" was the best ❤️❤️

Sierra Stallard - December 02, 2019 at 09:33 PM

DH

“ I PRAY THE GOOD LORD, will bless each of you with countless fond memories---and ease your pain....

I remember when Phyllis and family came out to Tulsa Oklahoma in 1973--- out in the middle of no where, south of broken arrow. it was great to see everyone...

*I love you all, you remain in my prayers
Uncle Doug Holman*

Douglas A Holman - December 02, 2019 at 05:29 PM

SJ

“ I will never forget the great times we all had. RIP my friend. See you on the other side ❤️

Sue Johns - December 02, 2019 at 04:49 PM