



Kathy Holmes

January 19, 1960 - March 3, 2016

Kathleen L. "Kathy" Holmes, age 56, of Taylorsville, NC, passed away Thursday, March 3, 2016 at her sister's home in New Lenox.

She was born January 19, 1960 in Kankakee, the daughter of Owen & Patricia Wilhoyt Buente.

Kathy married Michael Holmes July 21, 1981.

She was a graduate of Herscher High School. She was the owner/operator of a cleaning business, which she enjoyed. Kathy liked spending time with her family and working on cross word puzzles.

Surviving are her husband, Mike Holmes of Taylorsville, NC; one son, Aaron Holmes & Amanda Moose of Taylorsville, NC; her father, Owen Buente of New Lenox; two sisters, Ruth & Ray Wheeler of Bradley and Elizabeth Shannon of New Lenox; one brother, Col. Robert & Kelly Buente of Honolulu, HI; two grandchildren, Bentley Holmes and Leighanne DiPatri; her sisters-in-law and brothers-in-law, Pat & Jim Sparenberg of St. Anne, Terry & Mike Owens of Aroma Park, Susan & Brian DeYoung of Aroma Park, and Mitch & Andrea Holmes of St. Anne. Kathy is also survived by many aunts, uncles, and cousins. She was also very close to her extended family.

Kathy is preceded in death by her mother.

Visitation will be held 3:00 – 7:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home in Kankakee, where funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, March 10, 2016. Pastor Mel Nielsen will officiate the service. Cremation Rites will be accorded following the services.

Memorials may be made to the family wishes.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR 9. 3:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
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Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
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Funeral Service

MAR 10. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

MH

“ I just read Lee's comment and it was so sweet and so true. I miss you Kathy so much. I will love you forever and will see you soon hunny.

Michael F Holmes - March 04 at 06:49 PM

LE

“ It will be 10yrs soon. I miss you you everyday. I still have the jewelry box you gave me it's on my dresser. I hope to see you again one day hopefully not soon though. The kids are getting so big, Bent is doing basketball now and Maddy is doing volleyball. Papaw misses you I still go up there not every other weekend but when I can life gets busy as you get older I'm starting to learn I shouldn't rush things. I'm doing okay for the most part mom is still married and misses you. She talks about you every year around the holidays and says if you was here everything would be different and I know it's true. I love and miss you.

Leighanne - March 02 at 09:12 PM

AH

“ Happy Birthday Mom! Love you and miss you. Love Aaron

Aaron Holmes - January 19 at 02:35 PM

MH

“ Happy birthday sweetheart. I love you so much and miss you.

Michael F Holmes - January 18 at 06:14 PM

MH

“ Merry Christmas sweetheart. We still hang your stocking up with your book in it. Love you so much Kathy. See you soon.

Michael Holmes - December 27, 2025 at 09:47 PM

MH

“ Good morning hunny. Just got to work and was thinking of you and wanted to say hi. Love you Kathy

Michael F Holmes - November 10, 2025 at 07:47 AM

MH

“ Hi honey. First week of school for the kids. Bentley 3rd grade Madison 2nd grade and Mason kindergarten. Bentley and Aaron are raising chickens now, they have a total of 20 of them. Aaron has built a big coop and did very good job. Love you Kathleen and miss you so much. I will talk to you late honey.

Michael Holmes - August 28, 2025 at 02:15 PM

MH

“ Hello hunny, I think about you every day and miss you so much. Leeanne says hi. Bentley, Maddie and Mason are growing up fast. Lee is going into high school next year and is growing into a very special person. Love you and miss you sweetheart, I'll talk to you later.

Mike Holmes - June 16, 2025 at 05:49 PM

MH

“ Happy birthday sweetheart. You caught up to me again. Miss you hunny and love you so much. We had a good run and wish we could do it all over again. Love you and talk to you soon

Mike Holmes - January 20, 2025 at 10:38 AM

MH

“ Hi Kathy. Just wanted to say I love you and miss you so much. I think about you every day. What I wouldn't give to see and hold you again. Love you hunny

Mike Holmes - August 20, 2024 at 05:19 PM

MH

“ Happy 43rd anniversary honey. Miss you so much. Kids are getting big and asks about you alot and I am so happy to tell them about you. I will see you soon Kathy and can hardly wait. Love you for ever..

Mike Holmes - July 22, 2024 at 11:00 AM

MI

“ Happy birthday sweetheart. Love you so much

mike - January 23, 2024 at 12:09 PM

MH

“ Hi honey. Sorry it's been awhile. I still think of you everyday. These kids are getting so big. Lee is as cute as ever and I still get her every other weekend. I love and miss you so much Kathy. I'll talk to you later honey. We still hang your stocking with your book in it at Christmas.

mike holmes - January 14, 2024 at 06:16 PM

LE

“ hey meme I miss you a lot still believe it has only been 2 years I know it has been more than that tho I just wanted to wish you a merry Christmas and tell you how much I miss you I'm in band now and I just made honors band this week I'm hoping to get into collage with my flute my mom got married i'm not exactly a big fan of him tho well i have to go now i will try to talk to you more bye love you and I miss you

Leighanne - December 07, 2023 at 12:05 PM

LE

I'm in 7th grade just read my last comment and realized it has been 8 years since i saw you last but have to go now bye love you

Leighanne - December 07, 2023 at 12:09 PM

MH

“ Happy Easter sweetie, love you Kathy

Mike Holmes - April 07, 2023 at 10:03 PM

MH

“ Hi sweetie. Im missing you so much. Im doing ok, kids are getting bigger every day. Wish you were here with me. love you hunny more every day.

Mike Holmes - March 03, 2023 at 10:04 AM

MH

“ Happy birthday honey. You caught up with me. 63 yrs old, where did it go?
Love you sweetie with all my heart.

Mike Holmes - January 18, 2023 at 04:06 PM

MH

“ Hi Kathy. I saw Lee sent you a note. I also love and miss you very much. The years are flying by. I'm sorry I haven't been talking to you alot lately but I will make up for it. Love you Kathy and will talk to you later.

mike holmes - December 28, 2022 at 07:28 AM

LE

“ Hi mimi i miss you so much I am now in the 6th grade and everything is going good you can say it is almost thanksgiving and i wanted to say hello and i miss you and love you wow i still cant believe that it has been 6 years since i saw you i keep telling myself it has only been 2 years and i still will there is another baby in the family his name i mason he is 2 i believe and madison is getting so big she has trouble pronouncing sometimes but she can still speak good and bentley look more and more like dad than ever and he acts like him as well and pawpaw misses you alot along with all of us does actually well i have to finish schoolwork but i love you hope to see you again someday 🥰🥰

leighanne - November 18, 2022 at 08:24 AM

MI

“ Hi baby. 6 yrs and still love as much. We had a great loving 35 years together and wish we could do it all again. Talk to you later sweetie, love you.

Mike - March 03, 2022 at 01:52 PM

MH

“ Hello sweetie happy birthday. You caught up with me again. Love you and really miss you.

Mike Holmes - January 19, 2022 at 08:18 PM

MH

“ Merry Christmas sweetie. I'm setting on porch drinking coffee. No one is up yet. Looks like Santa brought Bent and Maddie bikes, they going to love that. Really miss you girl. Merry Christmas Kathy and I love you so much.

Mike Holmes - December 25, 2021 at 06:40 AM

MH

“ Happy anniversary sweetheart. 40yrs. loved every minute of it. See you soon baby.

mike holmes - July 21, 2021 at 03:47 PM

MH

“ March 3rd, 8pm, 5 yrs ago. I remember every minute like it was yesterday. Love you sweetie and always will.

mike holmes - March 03, 2021 at 09:49 AM

MH

“ Happy Birthday tomorrow sweetie. You caught up with me again. Love you forever.

Christmas just aint the same without you.

mike holmes - January 18, 2021 at 09:29 AM

MH

“ Still have your book waiting for you in your stocking. Love you hunny.

Mike holmes - January 02, 2021 at 09:00 PM

MH

“ Merry christmas and happy new year sweetheart. Love you more than ever.

Mike holmes - January 02, 2021 at 08:58 PM

MI

“ Happy anniversary sweetie, 39 yrs. Wish we could do them all over again. Love you more everyday.

Michael - July 23, 2020 at 01:31 PM

MH

“ Hi baby, been 4 years since you became an angel. Miss you just as much as the first day. I know the kids know of you because every time they see your picture they tell me that's mimi. Sure wish you were still here with us. Lee asks about you all the time, I know she misses you a lot. I still keep in touch with your little sister, we text often. Talk to you soon sweetie. Love you Kathy.

Mike Holmes - March 03, 2020 at 01:38 PM

MH

“ Happy Valentines Day Kathy. Love You.

mike holmes - February 15, 2020 at 02:01 PM

MH

“ Happy anniversary sweetie. 38 years today. Love you Kathy and miss you so much.

Mike holmed - July 22, 2019 at 09:08 AM

MH

“ Hi sweetie. Just got off work and setting here thinking about you. Love you so much.

Michael Holmes - May 23, 2019 at 05:14 PM

MH

“ Morning sweetie and happy birthday. You caught up with me again, We are both 59. Another christmas has come and gone and we miss you a lot baby. can't wait till we are together again. Bentley is getting so big, Maddie is walking and making noises but not talking yet. Lee is growing like a weed and still just as pretty. We still talk about you alot and Lee misses you. By the way, your stocking still gets hung every christmas with your book in it waiting for you to read it. Love you Kathy and will talk again.

mike holmes - January 21, 2019 at 10:43 AM

MH

“ Good morning hunny. Love you and miss you so much. Maddie is standing but not waking yet, any day now. Bentley is being a little boy and what a handful. I really miss you so much and think of you everyday.

Mike Holmes - September 24, 2018 at 07:23 AM

MH

“ Hello sweetie. Its been 2 years and I still miss you as much as the first day. The kids are getting bigger and into everything. I will always love you with all my heart and we will be together again.

mike holmes - March 05, 2018 at 05:40 PM

MH

“ Hello sweetie. It has been 15 months and 14 day without you and I miss you even more. Everything is ok. Still have a hard time sleeping at night and I guess that might be the way it will be. Bentley is getting into everything and Madison is starting to sleep thru the night. I really miss you Kathy and will always love you.

mike holmes - June 17, 2017 at 04:48 PM

MH

“ Its your birthday tomorrow and I wanted to wish you happy birthday. Aaron and Amanda are having a girl. They are naming her Madison Noel. I will make sure Madison knows all about you. Love you honey and miss you so much. Cant wait till we are together again.

mike holmes - January 18, 2017 at 05:58 PM

MH

“ Hi honey. I miss you so much. Bentley is getting so big, you would be proud of him. Leighanne is growing into a young woman and still just as pretty. Guess what honey, there is another baby on the way. I will make sure he/she knows all about you. Don't worry, I am doing fine. I love you and miss you so much. Sometimes it gets hard but like you always said "one day at a time".

mike holmes - December 22, 2016 at 05:59 PM

MH

“ Kathy was such a loving person, she was more concerned about the well being of her family and friends then of her own mortality. We will never forget her

Mitch holmes - March 22, 2016 at 03:53 PM

MH

“ My dearest Kathy, you are the sunshine of my life. I will love you forever. You are no longer in pain so rest peacefully my dear. We will someday be together again.

Michael

mike holmes - March 16, 2016 at 08:33 AM

 Donna
Maus
Kaiser
Kellow

“ Kathy became a close friend and confidant of mine here in North Carolina. As soon as I met Kathy I knew she was a genuine loving kind soul and I sure enjoyed just talking with her about life in general, our families, and our first grand babies.

She was a great house cleaner and helped me several times especially in cleaning my sons home when he moved. I enjoyed being with her. I loved her dearly.

I am sure she is an angel with us now and in peace with Jesus. I especially want to let the family know that I am sorry for their loss and will be praying for them. I am sure it is so hard.

Donna Kellow

Donna Maus Kaiser Kellow - March 09, 2016 at 12:12 PM

KR

“ My thoughts and prayers are with her family - special mention to Tarah Owens, her niece. Thinking of your family during this sad time.

*Kelli Workman-Reavis
Kankakee*

Kelli Reavis - March 08, 2016 at 03:49 PM



“ 48 files added to the album Life Tributes



Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - March 08, 2016 at 12:08 PM



“ *Kathy you have the most infectious laugh that you couldn't help laugh along and it was usually when you are slapping Mike for something. I love you. Might favorite memory was my first trip to Kentucky with you Mike and mitch.
Love you, andrea.*

A Johnson Holmes - March 06, 2016 at 11:02 PM