



Judith "Judy" Sue Holshouser

November 10, 1943 - June 30, 2018

Judith Sue Holshouser passed away Saturday, June 30, 2018 at Landmark Hospital of Cape Girardeau.

Judith "Judy" was born November 10, 1943 to Ruddle and Allene Graves Gleason in Cape Girardeau. She was the youngest of six children. She was married to Thomas C. Holshouser on July 15, 1966 and were married for 43 years before Tom's passing in 2010.

Judy graduated from Cape Central High School in 1961 and Southeast Missouri State University in 1965. Judy continued her education completing her master's degree in administration and counseling plus 30 hours.

She devoted 35 years of her life to educating the state's youth. Judy spent a vast majority of her years in vocational education, she may be the only educator who started the first year of the new Vocational building on Clark Street and also the first year in the existing Career and Technology Center. Judy was named the first Educator of the Year in 1995 and retired from the Cape Public School District in 2003.

In addition to her career, Judy was involved in many local organizations including St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Red Hats Club, Garden Club, a book club and several bridge groups.

Judy is survived by her sister, Marilyn Stevenson of Riverside, CA; and her brother, Joe Gleason and his wife Joan of San Dimas, CA; and brother, Ken Gleason and his wife Sue of Cape Girardeau. Judy also is survived by her daughter, Kimberly Link, son-in-law, Brian Link and two grandchildren, William and Anna of St. Louis. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband and her sister, Jean McLain.

Friends may call from 1-3 p.m. on Saturday, July 7 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Funeral Home. The memorial service will be held immediately following at 3 p.m. at the funeral home with the Rev. Mark Martin officiating. An entombment ceremony will be held for immediate family at Cape County Memorial Park Mausoleum at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Salvation Army on 701 Good Hope Street, Cape Girardeau, MO 63703 or charity of choice.

Cemetery Details

Cape County Memorial Park Cemetery

2315 Highway 61 North
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701
(573) 334-1909
<https://www.fordandsonsfuneralhome.com/>

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 7. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel
1001 N. Mt. Auburn Rd.
Cape Girardeau, MO 63701

Memorial Service

JUL 7. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ Oh Kim,
*I'm so very sorry to hear about your mom! I hope your great memories help you through this very sad time for you! xoxoxo --
Keith and Tracy Biermann*

Tracy Biermann - July 10, 2018 at 02:19 PM



“ *Judy you will always be remembered for that beautiful smile and loving heart. You never knew a stranger and you helped so many in this short time on earth. Now you are with your beloved Tom in heaven looking down upon us knowing that you will be missed and remembered. Sending thoughts and prayers to your family.*

Lynn Westrich - July 07, 2018 at 01:01 PM

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“ *Kim, Mitch and I are so sorry that we could not make it for the services. Your mom and dad and you were such great neighbors! We sure hated to see them move out of the neighborhood. I will always remember the fun times we had playing games when school was out for snow! We are so sorry for your loss what a great lady!! You are in our thoughts and prayers at this very sad time. God bless you and your family..... Diane and Mitch Miller Erna Street*

Diane Miller - July 07, 2018 at 12:48 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Sue Holshouser.*



July 06, 2018 at 05:21 PM



“ *Kim and Brian, We are so very sorry to hear of the passing of your mom. The love she shared is apparent seeing the love you share daily with all of those around you. Keep the wonderful memories alive. Hugs to you all!*

Jeff and Michelle - July 06, 2018 at 02:10 PM



“ *My memories of Judy are all joyful ones. She was never without a smile on her face and a kind word. She was so welcoming and it was so easy to see how much Judy loved her friends and family. I know she will be dearly missed. We're so happy to have known her! Love - The Pellings*

Brian and Lori Pelling - July 06, 2018 at 09:41 AM



“ *Kim
My family's thoughts and prayers are with you and your family.*

Kevin Jenkins - July 05, 2018 at 08:31 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Judith "Judy" Sue Holshouser.*



July 05, 2018 at 05:24 PM



“ *Bill and I were so glad to see Judy in April on our way home from Florida. As usual she was welcoming and interested in all our news - especially about our family. She said she had good days and bad days. I hoped she looked back at all the good days in her life. She had many! She loved her family and friends and her work helping others. Eventually, we will remember mostly the good and smile because we knew her.*



Elsie and Bill Link - July 05, 2018 at 05:17 PM



“ *So sorry to hear of Judy's passing. When I think of Judy, I think of her warm smile and great laugh! She was always such an easy person to be around and so hospitable. We will miss her but think of her with a smile. Sending our best to Kim and the family and all her dear friends. Love, The Goglias*

Bridget Goglia - July 05, 2018 at 04:18 PM

BL

“ *Judy is simply put: one fantastic person and an awesome mother-in-law. Judy and Tom have both welcomed me into their family and loved me. I certainly love them back and already miss them both tremendously. Judy - may you rest in peace. Love, Brian*

Brian Link - July 05, 2018 at 01:21 PM