



## Randy Morse

October 7, 2014

Randy William Morse, 66, of Cape Girardeau, Missouri left this part of his life on Tuesday, October 7, 2014 while resting comfortably at his home waiting for the Cardinals game to start. He was happy and he was loved, and his passing will change neither of those things. Randy was born October 20, 1947 in Cape Girardeau to Claude E. "Pete" and Helen Margaret Layton Morse, both of whom preceded him in death. Already a precious son and brother, on October 20, 1972 he celebrated his birthday by (as he said) "marrying up". Barbara Jordan would spend the next 42 years with his unwavering love and adoration, as often the recipient of a loving embrace as that of the most beautiful flowering weed he could find on his morning walks. Loving his family was important to him. Even more important was that they knew it. Randy's work was far from done when he left. He was well known in Southeast Missouri for his work in many area pharmacies. Almost every day for over 30 years started with a mile swim in the pool. He conquered or destroyed every golf course in the area and caught a few largemouth bass as well. He was proud to be a member of LaCroix United Methodist Church. He is survived by his wife, Barb Morse, who is cherished by all but was never loved by anyone else the way Randy loved her. His son Erik and his wife Andrea will be in Columbia hugging, kissing and chasing Oliver and Amelia who will always love their Tops. His daughter Emily will continue to share their love of swimming, dogs and each other. And of course his perfect match of a sister, Sandy Burton and her husband Don of Wickliffe, Kentucky, will continue to

know how loved they will always be by Randy Bill. Many nieces, nephews and cousins are also missing his infectious smile. Friends may visit from noon until service time on Friday, October 10, 2014 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau. Funeral service will be at 2:00 PM Friday, October 10, 2014 at Ford & Sons Mt. Auburn Chapel in Cape Girardeau with the Rev. Ron Watts officiating. Entombment will be at Cape County Memorial Park Mausoleum in Cape Girardeau. Memorial contributions may be given to American Heart Association or American Cancer Society.

# Tribute Wall

KB

“ Emily and family, We are so sorry to see the news in regards to your dad's passing. Know you all are in our thoughts and prayers today and in the weeks ahead. Kathie, Calvin and Emily Brennan Williams.

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**Kathie & Calvin Brennan** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Barb, Erik, and Emily - please accept my most sincere condolences. You are in my prayers. Wishing you peace and the very best memories.

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**Lyn Stoecker** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TU

“ Barb, my heart goes out to you and your family. Randy taught me so much in those years I worked for him and although I saw him infrequently through the years after that, I count him as a good friend and someone I could always talk to about anything. I will hold you and your family up in my prayers!

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**Tim Underwood** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GE

“ Barb and family, My prayers and thoughts are with you during this difficult time.

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**Glenna Ervin** - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ I swam with Randy twice a week at Healthpoint. He was always good for a joke at 5:00 am. The early morning swim group is surely going to miss him. God bless.

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**Craig Ringwald** - December 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ I will truly miss Randy at the gym and pool. We teased back and forth for years while there. I even had the lifeguard convinced that he was an ordained minister by referring to him as "Reverend Morse".I'm SO. Sorry for your loss, Barb.

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**Tim Pense** - November 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

BB

“ Randy is such a good Soul and was always a sweet and congenial youth and then man. It makes me sad to know he's crossed over but I know with out a doubt that smile and heart still exist somewhere, and we will all get to experience them again. Blessings be Randy.

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**Brad Brune** - October 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DL

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Randy was always saying something funny. He will be missed.

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**DONNA LACY** - October 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

RL

“ Wish we could be there, will be remembering Randy and Barb both. Love Randy and Donna

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**Randy and Donna Litton** - October 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

VJ

“ My heart hurt this morning when I arrived for my Friday swim to learn of the passing of my swim buddy and friend Randy Morse. A truly nice guy and motivator, Randy was always up and smiling. If he was in the pool before me (which he usually was) he would always say "Hey" or put one hand up in the air and wave as he turned, headed for another lap. When I first started swimming, spitting, gasping for air and stopping after every lap to catch my breath, he would always encourage me! You see, Randy has been swimming in the HealthPoint Fitness pool for some time. I looked at his stats this morning and was amazed to find he had logged over 43,000 laps! That's over 1,300 miles! This morning, as a tribute to you, Randy, I used your lane and swam your laps, your way for you one last time. I'm gonna miss you buddy!

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**Virgil Jones** - October 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

GW

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the entire family during these trying times

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**Gary Wilke** - October 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ Barb, Erik, and Emily---Randy was such a wonderful person. I will never forget his smile and his compassion for others. Even though he was family, he was so much more a friend. Know that I am thinking of you and with you in spirit. Love you all, Jayne and family

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**Jayne Hollensbe** - October 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EM

“ *Barb: Saddened to hear of Randy's passing. Enjoyed some good times with him over the years. I remember when you guys were dating and got married. Time passes quickly. hang in there, trust in god, and lean on your kids. Remember the good times you shared.*  
EM

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**Ed Meadows** - October 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *Barb and family, I was so sorry to hear of Randy's passing. I will always remember working with him at the Medicine Shoppe. He was a fun and funny guy and I will always remember the story of him receiving catsup as a Christmas gift. Our prayers are with you.*  
Kathy and Daryel Carter

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**Kathy Carter** - October 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SO

“ *My dear friend, Barb, my heart is broken for you. You and Randy have always been my idea of a great couple with a great marriage. Because Randy was here the world has been a better place and now heaven is a better place since he left. My thoughts and prayers will be with you and your family during this very difficult time. Please know that I am here for you.*

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**Susie Pickett O'Connell** - October 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

TT

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family!*

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**Tom and Diane Taylor** - September 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Randy will be missed. I will keep you all in my prayers.

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**Jenny Wallis** - September 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PS

“ Randy was a good friend for a long, long time. I remember when we won the KGMO Name that Tune Contest. He had the answer and I made the call from the Dairy Castle and got though first. We won in dollars the AM call number (can't remember the amount, but less than \$100) we took our winnings and went the New Orleans and had a \$1.00 coke and then down to Woolworths and had banana splits -- big spenders. Randy, Paul Schwab, Phil Vinyard, Mike Seabaugh and I did buy the 37 Cadillac Hertz near the end of our senior year (1965). Had a blast around Cape and then took it on a 16 day odyssey tt New Orleans and then to Daytona Beach -- I believe these stories are still classified. There was a follow-up story in the Missourian based upon a letter the paper received from a couple of really nice older women we met at the hotel in Daytona Beach. They thought we were such nice young men -- made our mothers feel really good to read it - and relieved at least some of their concerns. I will miss Randy. My sincere condolences to Barbara and the family. I know he will be greatly missed 💎 he was a special person.

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**Pat Sommers** - September 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM

PT

“ Barb and family....I will never forget all the kindness that the both of you showed us when I worked for Randy...he will be missed by many. So very sorry

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**Patty Turner** - September 10, 2014 at 12:00 AM