



Linda Holcomb

March 1, 1940 - March 22, 2020

****You may watch Linda's funeral service live beginning at 2:00 pm Wednesday, March 25, 2020 at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/lindaholcombservice/>
Also <https://www.facebook.com/sprolesfamilyfuneralhome/>

Linda Shortridge Holcomb, 80, of New Castle, passed away early on the morning of Sunday, March 22, 2020 at St. Vincent Heart Center in Carmel, Indiana, surrounded by her loving family.

She was born on March 1, 1940 in New Castle, Indiana, a daughter of the late Noel and Vivian (Oldham) Shortridge.

Linda was a 1958 graduate of Cadiz High School and a graduate of Porter Business College. She married Larry Holcomb on October 12, 1963. She worked at Firestone Company in New Castle before becoming a cook at Cadiz Elementary and Sulphur Springs Elementary. Linda then became Head Cook at Shenandoah Elementary for 25 years until retiring in 2003. She belonged to the Henry County Extension Homemakers "Kalico Kids" Club for over 50 years and was named Homemaker of the Year in 2014. Linda enjoyed sewing, crocheting, cooking, canning, and sitting out on the front porch at the farm.

She was a hard worker, gave tirelessly of herself and was always there when needed. Her favorite saying was “Don’t sweat the small stuff” and more recently “Whatever is going to happen is going to happen.”

Those left to cherish Linda’s memory include her loving husband of 56 years, Larry L. Holcomb; a son, Brad Holcomb of New Castle; four grandchildren, Justin Holcomb of Henderson, NV, Jacob Holcomb of Greenfield, Brian (wife: Kassi) Holcomb of Princeton, and Megan Holcomb of Mt. Carmel, IL; two great-grandchildren, Ava and Madison Holcomb; a daughter, Mary Holcomb of Mt. Carmel, IL; her sister, Lenita (Rev. Marion) Hickman of Lewisville, and many special cousins, nieces, nephews and many friends.

She was preceded in death by a son, Brent Holcomb.

Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Sproles Family Funeral Home. All services will be held privately by invitation of the family due to the Coronavirus restrictions. Burial will follow in South Mound Cemetery.

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Please visit www.sprolesfamilycares.com to share your memories of Linda with her family.

The Sproles family and staff are honored to care for the family of Linda Holcomb.

Cemetery Details

South Mound Cemetery

505 Bundy Ave.
New Castle, IN 47362
(765) 521-6850

Tribute Wall

DS

“ *Linda was the best cousin. We spent 2 weeks every year at the farm with her sister Lenita, her mom and dad. That was the high point of our summer visiting the farm with mom , dad and my sister. Linda will be greatly missed by many, but she had a special spot in my heart since we met as little kids.We all know she is in a better place and she knows I will see her again. Rest in Peace. Dennis R Swift Florida*

Dennis Swift - March 25, 2020 at 01:44 PM

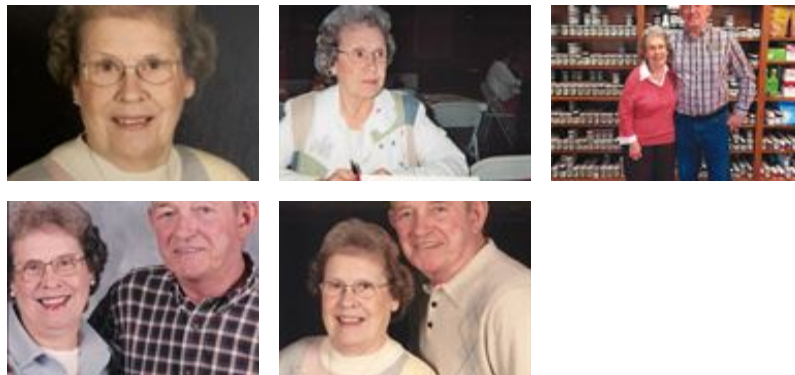
BC

“ *Linda Shortridge Holcomb - Our sympathy and prayers to the family. You will truly be missed. What a caring, dedicated, hard working example you were.
Bill and Margie Clampitt
A co-worker with Linda at World Bestos*

Bill Clampitt - March 25, 2020 at 10:25 AM



“ *45 files added to the album Life Tributes*



Sproles Family Funeral Home - March 25, 2020 at 08:37 AM



“ Beautiful Heart Bouquet was purchased for the family of Linda Holcomb.



March 24, 2020 at 05:12 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers for the family 🙏

Linda Holcomb - March 24, 2020 at 01:44 PM



“ My heart is broken for you Larry. Linda was such a down to earth kind woman. The world could sure use more people like Linda. I will miss hearing her "Hey Sandy how have you been. It is so good to see you." She was so sincere and mean't every word. Her common sense approach to life always reminded me of my dad. Karl and I and the staff at the office are sending our love. She was one special lady and we were blessed to have known her.

Sandy Siebe - March 24, 2020 at 11:04 AM

RF

“ *To The Holcomb Family*

You are in our thoughts and prayers. Our hearts are hurting from the loss of Linda. She was a very special person. We will cherish all of the sweet memories, playing cards, learning how to make crocheted wash cloths, playing Mexican train, watching the 4th of July fireworks, working on tractors, playing with cats, kittens, chickens, turkeys, canning, planting gardens and so much more. Linda will always hold a special place in our heart. We love you! The Fitzwater Family



Rhonda Fitzwater - March 24, 2020 at 10:37 AM

SS

“ Dear Linda,
Until we meet again, we will rely on our memories of such a great time in our lives. The only regret is we didn't reconnect sooner. Because they are all great, prioritizing memories is virtually impossible, but some that stand out are our meetings at Der Dutchman in Plain City for lunch: relaxing in peace and falling asleep in your family room; playing cards until the cows came home with a hearty country meal in between and ice cream afterward. We will not forget the table! The table that has every square inch of it's top covered with bowls filled with candy and every one of those bowls just happened to hold our favorite candy...."How did you know?" and you always sent a huge bag of Caramel Cremes home with us.
The best memory that will stay with us forever is you. It was a blessing to be in your presence. You are not only family, but a friend.....you lit up our lives and instilled in us what love is all about.
Until we meet again,

Stan and Diana Stromsky

Stan and Diana Stromsky - March 24, 2020 at 12:01 AM

NM

“ Linda was a kind ,loving friend of many years. We will miss her sayings and laughter and most of all we will miss her.

Norman, Marlene Merritt - March 23, 2020 at 10:01 PM

SF

“ *Stan and Diana Stromsky and family purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Linda Holcomb.*



Stan and Diana Stromsky and family - March 23, 2020 at 09:45 PM

BC

“ *Betsy Calland purchased the Gable Gift Box for the family of Linda Holcomb.*



Betsy Calland - March 23, 2020 at 09:18 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Linda Holcomb.*



March 23, 2020 at 08:30 PM

AH

“ *Im so sorry Larry for your loss aunt Linda was a amazing person we all will miss her greatly*

Aaron Holcomb - March 23, 2020 at 05:02 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Linda Holcomb.*



March 23, 2020 at 04:55 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Linda Holcomb.*



March 23, 2020 at 03:55 PM

SJ

“ To Larry and to Linda's family, I am truly sorry for your loss.

To Linda: Thanks for being my friend. Regrets for the times I would think "I need to call Linda or we need to get together and life gets in the way and we think there is always tomorrow. I will miss you big Hellooooooo when I called.

You were the true MATRIARCH of your family, the glue that held all things together. All the love and energy you poured into their lives will help them get through this heart breaking time.

Every time we talked, your family was the biggest part of our conversation, what they were doing and where they were and your pride in them was amazing.

You helped me through tough times. Thank you!

I hope you can hear me when I say you ARE a good and loving friend. I miss you already.

Love you.

Don't shake it up to much in heaven.

Sherry Jones

Sherry Jones - March 23, 2020 at 10:11 AM

LH

Sorry for your loss.

Linda Holcomb - March 24, 2020 at 01:23 PM

PS

“ So very sorry to hear about the passing of Linda. She was a dear sweet lady. May God comfort and strengthen you all. *Pati Sparks*

Pati Sparks - March 22, 2020 at 11:30 PM

DW

“ So very sorry to hear of her passing. Will miss all our phone calls. My family lived down the road from one another in our early days and she and Lenita and my brother and I often played together. Prayers for all the family. *Diane Groves Wendell*

Diane Wendell - March 22, 2020 at 09:38 PM

DG

“ Don and Carol Gray purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Linda Holcomb.



Don and Carol Gray - March 22, 2020 at 09:26 PM

DG

“ Linda was a precious gift to all of us. She loved her family and friends. Above all... she was a great wife, mother, daughter, sister, grandmother, great grandmother, cousin, homemaker, cook, memory maker, and above all, a friend to all. I will cherish my time of being a cousin to such a wonderful lady.

Don Gray

Don Gray - March 22, 2020 at 09:08 PM

JW

“ Linda was so sweet and so kind. I always looked forward to our chats while I was cutting her hair. She would always ",tip" me with a hand crochet dishcloth or some farm fresh eggs! She was so wonderful. We sure lost a great lady. God gained another angel! Love and hugs to Larry and the whole family. Janis aka J.Walker

Janis Walker - March 22, 2020 at 07:24 PM

JP

“ My heart breaks for you Larry and your family. Linda was a special person. She always had a smile and would do anything for anyone. Rest In Peace, Linda ❤️



Joann Penn - March 22, 2020 at 07:03 PM

JH

“ We have lost a dear friend for over 50 years. We will greatly miss her. Our families grew up together. Being framers, we relied on each other at times. We will have many memories to cherish. With Love, Jim and Myrna

Jim and Myrna Hollan - March 22, 2020 at 06:57 PM

SC

“ I am so sorry to hear this ,Larry. Fred and I send our love to you and your family.

shirley criswell - March 22, 2020 at 06:47 PM

LR

“ Though our hearts are hurting we are so grateful for all the wonderful lifelong memories we have to reflect on. Thank you for your love, your generosity and all the life lessons you taught us all, from cooking and crafting to crocheting and cards. Those lessons will be carried on through the next generations with you stitched in our hearts. We love you❤️ Tim and Lesa Roe and family

Lesa Roe - March 22, 2020 at 06:17 PM

BB

“ Larry
You and your family are in my prayers at this sad time. We had just become reacquainted in the last few years and I enjoyed taking with Linda and you and sharing pictures and family history. My sympathy to you and your family.
Beverly Banks

Beverly Banks - March 22, 2020 at 05:31 PM

TD

“ Words can't begin to tell how much Linda meant to our family. She was so much more than a caring neighbor she was like a mother to me, grandmother to our sons, and great grandmother to our grandchildren. We have many wonderful memories of Linda. All the birthday parties, holidays, and hours sitting on her front porch drinking coffee watching the world go by. Things just won't be the same without her smiling face. Love you Linda.
Tom and Debbie



Tom and Debbie - March 22, 2020 at 05:18 PM