



Craig Holley

March 23, 1956 - June 10, 2009

Craig Holley age 53, of DeMotte, IN passed away on Wednesday June 10, 2009 at Munster Community Hospital, Munster, IN. He was born on March 23, 1956 to Walter C. and Marilyn (Wolfe) Holley, both deceased. Craig was a graduate of Chesterton High School and went 4 yrs to Boilermaker Apprenticeship School. He had worked for Nooter Corporation, St. Louis, MO for several years and with Local 374, Hammond, IN. On May 24, 1980 he married Brenda Hoffman, who survives.

Craig is survived by his loving wife, Brenda Holley, DeMotte and two loving children, Nick & Lindsay, both at home. Brothers, Chuck (Violet) Holley, Otis, IN and Steve (Barbara) Holley Cape Coral, FLA; Several nieces and nephews.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **14.** 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Jackson Funeral Chapels created a Tribute Video in memory of
Craig Holley



Jackson Funeral Chapels - June 10, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ El Fragerino-- Love ya Brother##imported-begin##Chuck
Holley##imported-end##

July 10, 2009 at 12:26 AM



“ I pray Brenda, Nick and Lindsay will find God's comfort in the coming days and years.

As I think about Craig and the person he was I feel very lucky to have known him. Craig is a person you don't see for years and in just minutes your taken back to a childhood friendship that lives forever. We grew up together on Waverly Road, playing in the park or the beach while our mom's visited or parents played cards. Even though we moved to the farm, we saw Marilyn, Chuck, Steve and Craig weekly until we moved to Illinois. Craig was the only person I know with a pet monkey. It was years later that Craig came to California to work. It was truly a pleasure to visit with Craig and catch up on his family. He adored his wife, Brenda, kids, Nick and Lindsay,his brothers, and all his nieces. Craig would come to my sons' soccer games and cheer them on. Even if it was years between our visits, it was like we were 5 years old again and so excited to visit. I'll miss his great smile and laughter.##imported-begin##Kathy Chambers##imported-end##

June 17, 2009 at 03:01 PM



“ Slovenia is very far away, but in such moments I can feel you all very close.

All your relatives in Slovenia where with you in this sad moments!##imported-begin##Klavdija Žabot##imported-end##

June 16, 2009 at 03:27 AM



“ I knew Craig in his younger days at Chesterton High School sicne we both graduated in 74 and he went out with my friend Robyn. He was a good guy. I pray his passing was peaceful and the good memories are able to sustain his family through this difficult time. .###imported-begin###Kathleen Dommer###imported-end###

June 15, 2009 at 11:50 PM



“ We are very sorry to here of the loss of Graig. He was very well liked and loved as a friend,and coworker.he is in good hands with lord.###imported-begin###David& Brenda Rose###imported-end###

June 15, 2009 at 06:11 PM



“ May god bless the family.###imported-begin###Chris Bowman###imported-end###

June 15, 2009 at 11:49 AM



“ I remember the student, Craig as a tall, goofy guy who who always had a smile on his face. I am happy that he grew up smiling, with famiy and friends that loved him so much. My prayers are with you all.###imported-begin###Sue Jackson Fisher (CHS class of 74)###imported-end###

June 15, 2009 at 09:16 AM



“ I am sorry to hear of Craig's passing, a friend from Porter back in the 60s.###imported-begin###Dave Crawford###imported-end###

June 15, 2009 at 08:04 AM



“ i'll miss you uncle craig.##imported-begin##Stacy Barry Simpson##imported-end##

June 15, 2009 at 06:01 AM



“ To a great friend of the family and coworker that will be missed and not forgotten.##imported-begin##wayne frymire##imported-end##

June 14, 2009 at 10:47 PM



“ SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY##imported-begin##MR&MRS DANTE DALLAS##imported-end##

June 14, 2009 at 03:09 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with your family. Craig was a good friend and coworker.
Bernie##imported-begin##Bernie Wicklein##imported-end##

June 14, 2009 at 01:11 PM



“ I was visiting my Dad (Paul) in Porter County this weekend and we heard from Tom Lindquist, the Barber in Porter. Very sorry news -- Scott##imported-begin##Scott Chellberg##imported-end##

June 14, 2009 at 12:58 PM



“ To the Holley Family, Craig was great human being who always brought a smile into the room. When I think of him that is the image I always see.

Sincerest and deepest condolences at this passing of a friend and co-worker.##imported-begin##Larry Dyson##imported-end##

June 14, 2009 at 12:07 PM



“ Brenda, Nick & Lindsey, I am sorry for your loss. He was my cousin, but we were like brothers. I will miss him dearly. The memories will last our lifetime. Hold them dearly. God Bless. If You ever need anything, get in touch. Much love from Tracie, Aaron, Zach.##imported-begin##Terry Edquist##imported-end##

June 14, 2009 at 07:37 AM



“ I was saddened to learn of Craig's passing. Please accept my most sincere condolences to you, your children and his brothers.

Dan##imported-begin##Dan Swanson##imported-end##

June 13, 2009 at 08:49 PM



“ You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Our deepest sympathy,
Kathy & Lisa Borg##imported-begin##Lisa Borg & Kathy Borg##imported-end##

June 13, 2009 at 06:04 PM



“ On June 10th, many people lost a very special person; who was taken so soon yet relieved of so much pain. So many different words with so many different meanings could be used to describe Craig Holley. Those who knew him, knew he was someone very special, very intelligent, very giving & also so unique; those are just a few of the many. Craig would do anything for anyone, with out hesitation; no matter the cause, the situation or the circumstance that followed. Craig always put others before himself, always & it did not even matter who you were. He gave everyone a chance & always made sure his loved ones were cared for before himself. He did not ask for a single thing in return, he just gave what he possibly could give. I have never met anyone like Craig Holley before. I have never met anyone who apologized so much, when felt something had went so wrong. His smile was contagious, I know that from experience; while his laugh that followed brought joy no matter what your mood consisted of. His sense of humor was one of the best things about him, which we all loved so much & the kindness will never be forgotten, never. I have learned so much from Craig, in the twenty years I was fortunate enough to have him in my life. Craig Holley was a unique person, very special & so hard to find now days. He was not just your ordinary average guy, it went far beyond that. He was a loving husband who cared for & loved his wife with all he had; you could just tell by a single glance. He was a wonderful, loving father, who gave his children so much love while watching over them safely; always giving his lectures, his small talks, his words of intelligence; which now will live on forever. I will never look at a fishing pole the same again, a lake or pond, not even a fish with out thinking of that wonderful man they called Mr. Holley. A vivid fisherman, something he loved doing; a fish's worst nightmare. ;] He loved the Summer time & sunsets, that just came along with who he was. This was a man that deserved the very best in life. When I think of hard work, I know Craig will always come to mind, first & for most. A man who sure knew what real hard work consisted of, a man who worked so hard his entire life, to get him as far as he has gotten. A man who rarely called of work, but instead did the total opposite. He loved the work he called his job, He loved

people he called his workers, he loved everything about it no matter how hard things seemed to be. Craig loved the idea of hard work. He loved what he did & did it so greatly; all of the friends he came across only made his popularity grow. If I have learned anything, I have learned to not give up. I have learned "When life gets rough & knocks you down, get back up & try again; keep trying no matter what life throws at you, knock life back down & keep trying."; words from Craig himself, words of intelligence & wisdom. I will never forget this man I call my uncle, whom I am so proud of, whom I love very much & I am going to miss everyday that goes by. I could only wish I could give one last hug, one last smile, one last talk. If only he knew how much appreciation I really did give him & how much he truly meant to me & still does. I can now officially call him my hero, for so many different reasons & be thankful I had the time I had with him. He has taught me so much about life & I only wish I could be as great of a person as he turned out to be. To a loving Son, a loving Brother a loving Husband, a loving Father, a loving Uncle, a loving Friend; who has given so much love to all of us, may you rest in peace now, pain free & so happily. I now know I have a Guardian Angel, & only the best. We will never forget you, gone but never forgotten; in our hearts you will live on forever. I love you Uncle Craig & I miss you, so much! I can't wait for the day that I get to see that smile of yours again! Love You Always, Your Niece Brittany###imported-begin###Brittany Hoffman###imported-end##

June 13, 2009 at 05:49 PM



“ We moved from Demotte to Fl. last year, I was wondering if/how we might be related.
My husband Ken was formerly from East Chicago.###imported-begin###Metha Holley###imported-end##

June 13, 2009 at 09:25 AM



“ You got me last.##imported-begin##Greg Edquist##imported-end##

June 13, 2009 at 08:16 AM



“ Brenda I know that there are no words that help now. My heart is broken that I did not visit Craig we only talked for about an hour but I knew exactly how he felt. I know it does not help right now but Craig is now in GODS house and he is pain free for eternity and is now our Guardian Angel.I will pray for you and your children every day for God to ease your pain Larry Smith##imported-begin##Larry, Maria,Steven Smith##imported-end##

June 12, 2009 at 11:31 PM



“ Brenda and family; I am so sorry to hear of Craig's crossing over. It's always the hardest on the ones left behind. The "Holley Boys" have always been my other brothers and I grieve for your loss. May God send his angels to wrap their loving arms around all of you and hold you close while you grieve. And may Craig's new wings find him soaring with the eagles.##imported-begin##Kim (Duvall) Scott##imported-end##

June 12, 2009 at 11:12 PM



“ Lindsay, I'm so sorry. I've only met your Dad once but just from that one time I knew he was a nice guy. He is in a better place and he is looking over you. I love you Lindzo.##imported-begin##Kaylie Kats##imported-end##

June 12, 2009 at 08:31 PM



“ may god bless u you will be in our prayers love christine &don motlow slidell la##imported-begin##don motlow##imported-end##

June 12, 2009 at 05:24 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to Brenda,Nick,& Lindsey. My prayers are with you. I work numerous jobs with him for Nooter,and the thing i will always remember about Craig was his hard working and unique style, and great sense of humor. He will be miss.##imported-begin##mike tiller##imported-end##

June 12, 2009 at 12:29 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Craig and his family. He is resting so much easier now and is feeling no pain.. He is loved and will be missed greatly...##imported-begin##Cami (Hallgarth) Shafer##imported-end##

June 12, 2009 at 11:45 AM



“ To Brenda, Nick, and Lindsay. I have so much sympathy for you guys. We've lost a very important member of the family. And I'm here for you guys. Craig will certainly be missed in this house hold as to many others also.
Love && Empathy
Trevor.##imported-begin##Trevor Hoffman##imported-end##

June 12, 2009 at 11:15 AM



“ LOVE YA BROTHER##imported-begin##CHUCK AND VIOLET HOLLEY##imported-end##

June 12, 2009 at 10:02 AM



“ Brenda,

My sympathy goes out to you and your family. I will certainly remember Craig for as long as I live. I have many great memories of Craig all the way back to when I was a kid. We had a lot of fun times together. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Scott Buhl##imported-end##

June 12, 2009 at 07:45 AM



“ To Lindsay: I'm sorry about the passing of your dad, i hope he's in a better place now.##imported-begin##Hannah Dancer##imported-end##

June 12, 2009 at 12:15 AM



“ Brenda, Nick, & Lindsay,

Please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. The world has lost someone very special. Your grief is shared by so many.

*Love to all,
Jeff, Anne, Derek, & Sam##imported-begin##Jeff, Anne, Derek, & Sam Fisse##imported-end##*

June 11, 2009 at 11:49 PM



“ Our deepest sympathy to the Holley family. Craig will be missed by all the people he worked with over the years.##imported-begin##Ed and Virginia Lynn##imported-end##

June 11, 2009 at 08:56 PM



“ Our sincere sympathies in the passing of Craig, he will be missed on the jobsite.##imported-begin##Billy & Judy Lynn##imported-end##

June 11, 2009 at 08:30 PM



“ I'm sorry to hear about Craig, but hopefully he is resting comfortably now. Heaven knows he deserves a break as well as you and the kids. TAKE CARE Steve##imported-begin##Steve Boren##imported-end##

June 11, 2009 at 07:12 PM



“ We are so sorry Brenda, Nick and Lindsay for the loss of your husband, father and our brother-in-law. We will be praying for you. R.I.P. Craig we will miss and love you very dearly.##imported-begin##Larry and Paula hoffman##imported-end##

June 11, 2009 at 06:33 PM



“ To the Craig Holley Family:

I am so sorry to hear about Craig's passing. I am sure he is in a better place now free from pain. Brenda, my heart goes out to you and kids. Patty Burns-Alm###imported-begin##Patty Burns-Alm###imported-end##

June 11, 2009 at 03:25 PM