



Laurie Smith

August 28, 1962 - January 25, 2009

Laurie A. Smith, age 46, of Monon, passed away unexpectedly Sunday, January 25, 2009 at the Jasper County Hospital. She was born on August 28, 1962, in Rensselaer, the daughter of Jean (Shumaker)Parker and the late Gail Parker.

Laurie was a 1980 graduate of Rensselaer Central High School. She was self-employed and for 26 years was the owner and operator of Maid to Order. Laurie was a member of the Hope Community Church of Rensselaer. She enjoyed hot air ballooning and playing Yatzee. On September 8, 1990, in Rensselaer, Laurie married Harold Smith who survives.

Along with her husband, Laurie is survived by her children, Jera (husband Chad)Pio, More Head, FL, Krista Ruemler, Lafayette, Alisha Ruemler, Brookston and Allison Smith, Lafayette, her mother, Jean Parker, Rensselaer and 3 sisters, Gayla (husband Ralph) Carroll, Rensselaer, Cinda Kelley, Avon, IN and Teresa (husband Rick) Miller, Akron, IN.

The family will receive friends at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer on Wednesday, January 28, 2009 from 2-9 P.M. CST. Funeral services will be held on Thursday, January 29, 2009 at 10:30 A.M. CST at the Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer with Rev. Kenin Smith officiating. Burial will follow at Memory Gardens Cemetery in Rensselaer. Memorials may be made to the Jasper County Hospital Building Project by listing such on your donation and mailing it to the Jasper County Hospital Foundation, 1104 E. Grace St., Rensselaer, IN 47978.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **28**. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Jackson Funeral Chapel of Rensselaer

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Tribute Wall

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“ Marilyn Lowry lit a candle in memory of Laurie Smith



Marilyn lowry - January 26, 2017 at 12:20 AM



“ Dearest Harold, I am so sorry about Laurie. I remember her wonderful laugh and sense of humor...and her smile. I have a picture in my mind that she's still flying, just more heavenly. I've missed all the ballooning and have often thought of your family. You all helped make it special for me with your enthusiasm and love of people. God bless you and your family.##imported-begin##Wanda Danner, OSF Saint James, Pontiac, IL##imported-end##

March 11, 2009 at 01:19 PM



“ I am so sorry to hear of your loss. I am from Pontiac and you gave my son Sammy and myself a ride in your balloon when you were sponsored by OSF Children's Hospital. I will keep your whole family in my prayers. God Bless you.##imported-begin##MaryAnn Sartoris##imported-end##

March 11, 2009 at 11:30 AM



“ *Harold and family*

Our deepest sympathy to the whole family. Laurie was such a great friend. I know that she is rejoicing with the Lord. It is so very hard for us humans that are left here on earth to be joyous when a loved one dies, but that is what we should do, be joyful that Laurie is with the Lord! I pray that the Lord continue to be with you and the family and may He give you comfort as each day passes. Let go and Let GOD! Karen & Ron Hammond###imported-begin##Ron & Karen Hammond (Murfreesboro, TN)###imported-end##

February 02, 2009 at 01:57 PM



“ *I am so sorry to hear about Laurie. My prayers go out to you all. Remember the good times and she will always be in your hearts.###imported-begin##Teresa Combs###imported-end##*

February 01, 2009 at 05:59 PM



“ *Harold & family - My daughter Jennifer & I were helpers for Harold & Laurie's Sunday School class a few years back. I looked forward to Laurie's company on Sunday, we would always share our stories of our families and our lives. Laurie always had a smile on her face. I would occasionally run into Harold & Laurie in town and Laurie would always say Hi and give me a warm hug, ask about my family and keep me updated on the girls. I will truly miss seeing Laurie, I am lifting Harold & family up with my prayers. May God give you comfort at this time.###imported-begin##Lisa Pizer###imported-end##*

January 30, 2009 at 10:27 AM



“ Harold & family,
We are saddened to hear the loss of your dear wife and mother.
May you find strength, comfort and peace in Christ.
Our prayers or offered on your behalf.
Eldon & Charlene Getz###imported-begin###Eldon & Charlene
Getz###imported-end##

January 29, 2009 at 05:42 PM



“ To the family of Laurie Smith:
It is always so sad to loss a very dear member of the family, but
especially so when it is someone so young as Laurie Smith. It
causes so much sorrow. It is my hope as a volunteer to bring to the
family a comforting thought. In the Bible book of John 11:11,14,
Jesus likens death to sleep. Thinking of our loved ones as in a deep
sleep can bring us peace of mind and heart. Further words of Jesus
point to a happy future for our loved ones. He says at John 5:28,29:
"Do not marvel at this, because all those in the memorial tombs will
hear his voice and come out..." Yes, there is true hope for an
awakening from this sleep. We can be confident that all those in
God's memory will receive a resurrection. Please accept our
deepest sympathy.###imported-begin###Jackie###imported-end##

January 29, 2009 at 09:16 AM



“ Harold, Stephanie and I want you to know our prayers have been
offered for you many times since we heard the sad news about
Laurie. Our hearts ache for you Brother. Please accept our
sympathies###imported-begin###Jack & Stephanie
Sumption###imported-end##

January 28, 2009 at 08:27 PM



“ I'm so sorry for your loss! You guys are in my prayers!##imported-begin##Jamie Tanis-Farrell##imported-end##

January 28, 2009 at 11:00 AM



“ Dearest Cinda and the rest of the Parker Families, My deepest sympathy on the loss of your loved one, Laurie. I was saddened to hear the loss when Cinda told me and I am keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers! May God keep you wrapped in His loving arms during these times. Please know that I love you, Cinda dear!
Joan Brown##imported-begin##Joan Brown##imported-end##

January 28, 2009 at 09:28 AM



“ Jera, Krista, & Alisha

You are wonderful, loving girls and I am proud to have been there when you were all born and watch you all grow up. You all remind me of your mom so much that she shines bright through all of you. The qualities that you got from her are the exact ones that I saw in your mom when I was 16 and we became such close friends. She was such a good friend to me that I know your friends are feeling that way about each one of you. I will always cherish the friendship I had with your mother. I wish for each one of you to have a friendship even 1/2 as good as your mother's and mine and it will bring you joy beyond compare. You have each other and you have me when ever you need me!

Harold, Jean, Gayla, Family and Friends

Laurie was so special that the pain is deep but knowing she loved all of us just as much as we loved her is a wonderful thing! I feel for you and am with you in heart and mind.##imported-begin##Dawn Bruce##imported-end##

January 28, 2009 at 01:29 AM



“ Krista,

I am so sorry to hear about the loss of your mother. I will be praying for you and your family in this time of need. Just know that I will be thinking of you and your family in your time of sorrow. May God be with you and comfort you as you go through the days ahead.

Kenneth Fraley##imported-begin##Kenneth Fraley ##imported-end##

January 27, 2009 at 10:48 PM



“ We are so deeply saddened to hear of Laurie's passing. Harold and family please know that you are in our thoughts and prayers. We will be thinking of you and your family in this time of sorrow.
Nancy and Marty###imported-begin##Marty and Nancy{Putman}
Hall###imported-end##

January 27, 2009 at 12:20 PM



“ Harold, we were so sorry to hear. Please know our prayers and thoughts are with you and your family. Hold on to Jesus. He will carry you through.

Rich and Angie###imported-begin##Rich and Angie (Mangas)
Holt###imported-end##

January 27, 2009 at 10:25 AM



“ Gayla....Sorry to hear about your sister....know that I am thinking of you. Take care....Love, Barb###imported-begin##Barbara Sigo###imported-end##

January 27, 2009 at 09:32 AM



“ *Harold & family & Dawn,*

We learned of Laurie's death via e-mail, as we are in Costa Rica. We are so saddened and in disbelief. We have known Laurie for 25 years and she has been a wonderful employee and friend. We are so sorry and will miss her greatly.

*Our love and prayers,
Kathy & Fred##imported-begin##Fred & Kathy Henney##imported-end##*

January 27, 2009 at 08:41 AM