



## Debra Cassidy

December 6, 1957 - August 14, 2010

Debra Kay Cassidy, 52, of Bloomington passed away Saturday at her residence. She was the daughter of Douglas Bruce and Marjorie Jane (Cairns) Bercot born on December 6, 1957 in Fort Wayne, Indiana. She was employed by Great West Casualty as a subrogator. She was a member of the First United Methodist Church. She supported the Exotic Feline Rescue Center and Breast Cancer Awareness. She is survived by one son Jameson R. Cassidy and one daughter Kathryn M. Cassidy both of Bloomington; her mother Marjorie J. Bercot of Fort Wayne, IN; two brothers Larry W. Bercot of Sheridan, WY and David B. Bercot of North Platte, NE; two sisters Donna R. Carnall of Elkhart, IN and Jane A. Kuhfahl of Fort Wayne, IN; seventeen nieces and nephews and forty great nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her father in 2003. Services will be held 1:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 18, 2010 at the First United Methodist Church. Burial will follow at Valhalla Memory Gardens. Family will receive friends on Tuesday from 6-8 p.m. at Allen Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions can be made to the Exotic Feline Rescue Center (Bloomington).

# Tribute Wall

CH

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with Deb's family. She was a good friend in high school and I wish I had known she lived in Bloomington when I lived there a few years back. I feel fortunate that I was able to reconnect with her recently. I'll miss her.*

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**Cheryl Youse** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

CH

“ *I was shocked to hear of my good friend's passing. I've known Deb since our days at Tri-State University and even though we didn't see each other often, it never seemed like we missed a beat. She was one of the few people who could always make me smile. I will miss you, Deb. Love you.*

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**Chris Gantt** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

LB

“ *I AM SO SORRY TO HEAR ABOUT THE LOSS OF DEB. WE WERE IN A SINGLES GROUP AT CHURCH SEVERAL YEARS AGO. I JUST FOUND OUT ABOUT IT TODAY. DEB WAS A WONDERFUL PERSON THAT ALWAYS MADE THE REST OF US LAUGH AND THINK ABOUT THE BETTER THINGS IN LIFE. I HAVE FOND MEMORIES OF HER. LYNN BARRETT*

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**Lynn Barrett** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

TE

“ *just saw deb at our class reunion. this is a terrible reminder that we only grace this place we call home 4 a short while deb will be missed but her spirt lives on with all who she has touched rest in peace my friend*

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**teresa hacha** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

ME

“ Jamie and Katie, Our thoughts and prayers are with you both. We are deeply saddened to hear about the loss of your mom. She was a wonderful person, and a great neighbor. She will be greatly missed. God Bless, Medea, Alletah, Autumn, Karen, Darwin and Eileen

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**Medea Cornwell** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

PN

“ Deb and I worked many years at the Bloomington Housing Authority. After I left Bloomington, she was always good about staying in touch. I had seen her at the funeral home In Bloomington, in the winter when a parent of another former Bha employee, had died. She told me she was very happy and seeing a greta guy. She will be missed- I had just heard from her the end of July on my birthday. I ma sure she and her dad have a card game going in heaven. So sorry for Jamie and Katie - God Bless

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**Peggy Gudal Newton** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

CG

“ Deb was always a good friend to my family, and it was always a joy whenever I ran into around town. Her warm nature will be greatly missed.

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**Chris Gudal** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

CA

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time. I work in the Knoxville, Tn office of Great West but I had met Deb and spoken to her on various occassions. She was a wonderful person and will be greatly missed.

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**Cathy Krane** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

JO

“ *Deb was a wonderful person. I have not yet absorbed that she is gone. She was selfless, generous, kind, funny and very dear. I met her through CHADD where she volunteered tirelessly for others to educate and support folks with AD/HD. She worked on my campaigns for the local school board. She was a rock. May her memory be a blessing to all who loved and knew her.*

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**Joan Hart** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

JA

“ *I am so sorry for your loss of a loving caring women that Deb was to so many, We were so blessed to know her. I am thankful I was able to see her the weekend of the class reunion. Know that You are in my prayers, may the memories you have with her bring you strength and comfort. God Be with you..*

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**Janet Klinker** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

JA

“ *To Deb's children and family. I just saw Deb two weeks ago at our high school reunion. She drove that night and we had a wonderful time. Deb was one of the wittiest most compassionate women I know. She reached out to everyone, no matter what "group" they belonged to. We had a blast in high school band. On Facebook, I reconnected and had a nice chat with her a few days before her death. I will always carry her in my heart. My heartfelt prayers are sent especially to her daughter, who should never lose a mother, much less find her deceased. Deb will still be present to each of you (us) if we only keep our hearts open. Deb will find a way to let us know she is in the caring arms of a loving entity.*

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**Jacque Roller** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

AN

“ *Saw Deb again just 2 weeks ago and it was like we just left high school and had never been parted. She was a special person with a shining light all her own. Very glad to have had her in my life and will hold on now to the fact that I will see her again someday. Love you "DB"*

*Ann*

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**Ann SeCheverell** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

TI

“ *I met Deb a few years ago. She was a fan of the band that my wife Carolyn and I have. I'd see her at shows and smile and say "Hi." One day we were formally introduced to each other by Nat Oliphant-McKamey and we became friends.*

*Others have mentioned Deb's wit and humor. We both loved goofing around and making each other and our friends laugh. Deb was just always so good-natured and upbeat, and her humor reflected that. I will think of her and try to be more like her in this way.*

*I hope that your own happy memories of Debra brings you peace and consolation in time.*

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**Tim Haas** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

LO

“ I was deeply saddened to hear the news about Deb. She was a friend from GWCC and had the ability to make people laugh. She was very witty and found humor in even mundane situations. She was very proud of her children. When my husband and I adopted our baby girl "Katy Beth" two years ago, Deb wrote in a card to us: "wishing you all the joy as my children have given me - one is "Katie bug"! I hope this will bring comfort to her children during this sad time to know that their mother was very proud of them. My thoughts and prayers are with all of Deb's family and friends.

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**Lori Hose** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

HE

“ I am very sorry for your loss. I worked with Deb many years ago at HUD but had reasons to reconnect with her a few times later. The wonderful thing about Deb was that no matter much time passed between visits...it is if no time has passed at all. She always welcomed you like she saw you yesterday and was happy to see you again today. Always smiling, always laughing, always witty, and always happy. I am sure she will be missed very much. My prayers are with you. God Bless.

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**Heather Oakley** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

LA

“ I met Debra in 2006 when I joined the Great West Family and traveled to Bloomington for training. I am shocked and saddened by Debra's passing and my thoughts are with her family at this difficult time.

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**Laura Mobley** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

DO

“ *Deb you will be missed so much. You were a great friend and easy to talk to. You always made me laugh. Life will not be the same without you. My deepest condolences go to the family.*

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**Donna Nelson** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

LO

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you. Deb was truly such a nice & friendly person and will be greatly missed.*

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**Lorne Reiter** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

MA

“ *Deb was the best friend anyone could hope for. Tried & true. I will love her forever. My deepest condolences to her children and family.*

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**Maureen Clemons** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

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“ *My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Deb was a wonderful person and friend whom I always enjoyed being around. If you need anything, please feel free to call on me at anytime. I would be more than happy to do anything for you or her.*

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**Annie Arens-Walker** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

CH

“ *My thoughts & prayers go out to you and her many friends.*

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**Chris Bolen** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

JO

“ *Deb; a very special friend who always made me smile. We would talk and laugh til it hurt. You will always be in my memories, Goodbye Deb, Old Friend!*

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**John Garwood** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

SU

“ *To Deb's Family,*

*I'm so very sorry about your loss. After over 30 years, Deb found me on Facebook and I'm so glad she did. I was touched that she remembered me and made the effort to find me. That truly demonstrated the warmth, caring and love the Deb had abundance of. We met again at the recent Northrop High School reunion and had a blast. The 30 years melted away and our friendship was renewed. I'm grateful that we reconnected, if only, for a brief time. Marjorie, thank you for giving us Deb. Your daughter was so very special.*

*Please let me know when the memorial will be held in Fort Wayne and I'll do my best to come down.*

*You're in my prayers,*

*Susan Bates (Sue Kuckuck)*

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**Susan Bates** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

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“ We lost a dear friend in Deb Cassidy. Deb was a super gal, a great friend, had a great sense of humor with a wonderful quick wit that couldn't be matched, and could make us all "laugh out loud." She was a treasure and will be missed. If I live to be a hundred, I will never forget how she could make me laugh. She left her mark on me.

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**Natalie "Nat" McKamey** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM

PA

“ I was shocked and saddened to learn of Deb's sudden passing. No matter what keep laughing as that is what I will remember Deb for!!

*My thoughts and prayers are with you during this obviously trying time.*

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**Pamela Hensler** - March 22, 2013 at 08:20 AM