



## Shirl Lynn Southern

March 15, 1966 - October 15, 2012

Shirl Lynn Southern, 46, of Terre Haute and formerly of Bloomington passed away on Monday, Oct. 15, 2012 at Terre Haute Regional Hospital. She was born in Bloomington on March 15, 1966 the daughter of Willis and Kathryn (Richardson) Southern, Sr. and graduated from Bloomington High School South in 1984. She attended and graduated from both Vincennes University and Indiana State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree. She had worked as a social worker for several companies working with developmentally disabled individuals.

Shirl loved her family and friends, was always willing to do for others rather than for herself. She truly loved to collect ginger bread items, even going so far as to have a gingerbread Christmas tree. Playing bingo was also a favorite pastime of hers.

Survivors include her parents of Bloomington, Willis and Kathryn Southern, and one brother and sister-in-law, Willis and Jennifer

Southern, Jr. She was preceded in death by one sister, Sandy Southern, and her grandparents, James and Doris Richardson and Rolla and Gladys Southern.

Funeral services will be held at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at Allen Funeral Home, 4155 S. Old St. Rd. 37 with Rev. Michael Douglas officiating. Burial will be at Clover Hill Cemetery. Friends may call on Wednesday from 4:00-8:00 p.m. at the funeral home.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association. Online condolences may be sent to the family at [www.allenfuneralhome.org](http://www.allenfuneralhome.org).

# Tribute Wall

MN

“ I was a sophomore when I pledged Sigma Phi Epsilon. Mary Jo and Nick were there for this small town boy from Indiana. She was indeed a great listener, but even more a great voice for reason. I last saw her and Nick in the late 90's on my last trip to Indiana. We exchanged Christmas cards for years, then like too many good things, we stopped. Over the last few years, I've attempted to find her, but with no luck.

*Ed Sample sent me her Obituary today, just four days after I asked Ed if he knew where she was living. Ironic, isn't it?*

*She and Nick were the best. My heart goes out to everyone else who loved her.*

*Michael Tucker  
Hilton Head, SC*

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**Mary Jo Nichols** - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

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“ I am sorry for your loss. Shirl and I worked together for many years. Then later belonged to a Bunco group. She was always warm friendly and up for a conversation. My deepest sympathies and prayers.

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**Debbie Wilford** - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

BE

“ Mary my prayers are with you and your family at this time. Find peace in knowing she is in a better place and know that you both had a wonderful life together. Nothing can't take that away from you.

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**Betty Wilson** - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM

LI

“ *Mary,I just wanted to let you know how sorry I am to hear about your loss of Shirl.13 years is not long enough to be with someone who you love.I know how much you loved eachother,it was obvious when ever you were together.  
May God bless you and comfort you and your family and friends at this time.*

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**Lisa VanNess-Styleburg** - March 22, 2013 at 08:17 AM