



## Candy Collins

March 22, 1958 - March 30, 2011

I went to be with Jesus on Weds day, March 30, 2011. I was born March 22, 1958 to Ron and Althea (Lowe) Hunsberger. I am survived by my mom Althea (Hunsberger) Hallam of Bloomingdale, brother Dan (Vernon Norman) Hunsberger of Bloomingdale, daughter Sarah (Brad) Ashbrook of Parchment, son Sgt. Joshua (Jennifer) Greene of the U. S. Marine Corp in North Carolina and four precious grandchildren Savannah, Lillianne, Maverick, and Hailey, my companion Brian Collins, and my faithful dog companion Gracie. I was preceded in death by my dad Ronald I. Hunsberger and infant sister Cindy Lee Hunsberger, also my grandparents and many aunts and uncles. I was a lifelong resident of Bloomingdale graduating from Bloomingdale High School in 1976. I was in band (drummer) from 5th grade to 12th grade, GAA Cheerleader, 4-H for horses, little league mom and tee ball mom and Bloomingdale Varsity Cheerleading Coach. In 2007 Sarah and I won the Kalamazoo Star Award for "Sleep well in Iraq". I was a loving mother, grandmother, and was affectionately known to them as "Meme". I enjoyed every minute I could spend with my children and grandchildren. I enjoyed going to the stockcar races, horseback riding, watching the birds at the feeders, and watching the wildlife; but the greatest love was for the Lord. I am so thankful for the following people; my cousins Pam and Holly Foland, Shelley and Doug Witt and Gary and Marie Smith, and my Aunts Renee Hunsberger, Bernada Bentley and family, Pat Koning. I, also, want to thank, Barb and Dick Brown, Del and Carol Esh, Kristal Hoffman, Rebecca Chester,

and all the other people I have forgotten to mention that had been a part of my life. I would also like to give a very special thank you to my mom Althea, my daughter Sarah(Brad), my son JD (Joshua) (Jennifer), and Barb Brown for always taking good care of me, Brian Collins, Dan Hunsberger and Vern Norman. I, also, want to thank Wings of Hope in Allegan and Edie Boone. There will be a graveside service Saturday, 11AM at Pearson Cemetery after cremation has taken place. Pastor Gary Napp will be officiating. In lieu of flowers, please make memorial contributions to an educational account that has been set up for my grandchildren at Chemical Bank. Arrangements by, BLOOMINGDALE CHAPEL, D. L. Miller Funeral Home, [www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com](http://www.dlmillerfuneralhome.com)

# Previous Events

## Service

APR 2. 11:00 AM.

Graveside Service

# Tribute Wall



“ One of my fondest memories is when Kristal and I went to visit when you were stationed in S. Carolina. Dancing in the living room with the kids and getting our bottoms so burned that it was painful sitting to watch Joshua play Tball. I will miss our phone calls, your laughter and most of all I will miss your love. I will never forget our friendship.....I love you##imported-begin##Rebecca Chester##imported-end##

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April 05, 2011 at 02:04 PM



“ So shocked and so sorry for your loss. Have been out of contact for so many years and regret I didn't know Candy's family like I should have. Let you know we had an awesome time when we were young and I will always have her in my memories. God Bless.##imported-begin##Denise (Drenkhahn) Murphy##imported-end##

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April 03, 2011 at 11:40 PM



“ Dear Ones,  
I am so blessed to have known Candy for a short time. She welcomed me with open arms the first time that Gary brought me to the house. Everytime we spoke on the phone or in person, she told me that she loved me. I loved her too. I told her that God brings people into our lives for many reasons. So glad that he chose to bring Candy and her mom into mine. May God grant all of you peace in the coming days , months, and years. I'm so glad that she had such a loving family with so many willing caregivers. Bless you all. Marie##imported-begin##Marie Lallinger##imported-end##

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April 03, 2011 at 04:49 PM



“ To Candy's Family,  
I am so sorry for your loss. Our thoughts and prayers go out to everyone of you. May she rest in peace until you meet her again.##imported-begin##Kimberly Otten##imported-end##

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April 01, 2011 at 09:01 PM



“ Candy was an amazing woman who loved her family dearly. We pray she finds comfort and peace as she is now an ANGEL looking over her children and grandchildren.##imported-begin##Ed and Deb Brady & Family##imported-end##

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April 01, 2011 at 08:59 PM



“ Brad, Sarah and family. I am so sorry for your loss. Your mom was a terrific lady. She will forever be remembered in our hearts. Hugs  
  
Jason, Amy Johnson and family##imported-begin##Amy Johnson##imported-end##

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April 01, 2011 at 06:24 PM



“ Dan.. I'm so sorry to hear of the lost of your dear sister.. You and I known each other over 30 years, but we got lost in time. I also have lost some dear ones, but nothing will impact the lost as close family member as your sister. I'm sure the love you had will be a great inspiration to you and years to come. I didn't know your sister as well as you, but my heart goes to you and the family.  
remember.. John: 3-16.. feel free to write.. your long lost friend..##imported-begin##Terry L. Clark##imported-end##

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April 01, 2011 at 01:21 PM



“ *May time accomplish what no words can do. R.I.P. Candy*

*John and Pat Longfield###imported-begin##John and Pat Longfield###imported-end##*

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March 31, 2011 at 05:53 PM



“ *Althea, Josh, Sarah , and Grandchildren.*

*I am so sorry for your loss. I grieve too for a friend that is no longer here, but with the Lord. Know you are in my thoughts and prayers and I miss her dearly.###imported-begin##Robin Wingate (Linda)###imported-end##*

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March 31, 2011 at 04:39 PM



“ *Althea, Sarah n Brad and Josh and wife, and Grandchildren, I am so sorry for your loss, you are in my thoughts and prayers. I was blessed to have known Candy and she will be missed. I am home in Heaven, dear ones: Oh so happy and so bright! There is perfect joy and beauty in this everlasting light. All the pain and grief is over. Every restless tossing passed; I am now at peace forever. Safely home in Heaven at last. Did you wonder I so calmly Trod the valley of the shade? Oh! but Jesus' love illumined Every dark and fearful glade. And he came Himself to meet me in that way so hard to tread; And with Jesus' arm to lean on, Could I have one doubt or dread? Then you must not grieve so sorely, For I love dearly still: Try to look beyond earth's shadows, Pray to trust our Father's Will. There is work still waiting for you, So you must not idly stand: Do it now, while life remaineth- You shall rest in Jesus' land. When that work is all completed, He will gently call you Home; Oh the rapture of that meeting, Oh, the joy to see you come!###imported-begin##Sandra Sincler###imported-end##*

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March 31, 2011 at 04:37 PM