



Holly May Lumpkins

October 19, 1969 - July 10, 2022

Holly May Lumpkins died Sunday, July 10th, 2022, at the age of 52. Holly was born in Portsmouth, OH on October 19, 1969. She was preceded in death by her mother, Scarlet Brenda Stepp Lumpkins. Holly is survived by father, Dale Lumpkins, of Winchester, KY, sister Lisa (Chris) Logan of Cincinnati, OH, niece Kirsten Logan, nephew Zane Logan, aunt Deloris (John) Stepp Bentley of Potomac, MD, aunt Betty Johnson of North Miami Beach, FL, aunt Patty Thorpe of Middletown, OH and many other friends and family.

Holly was feisty and clever in her youth, a real spitfire. She was married and lived in Germany when she suffered a brain tumor around age 19 that changed the course of her life. Holly had to move back in with her parents. After multiple surgeries, with help and patience from her family, Holly was eventually rehabilitated. She was able to drive, work, and live on her own. Around 2009, Holly suffered a major seizure and stroke that left her unable to care for herself. Holly's mother had already passed, and Holly's aunt, Deloris Bentley, and John Randall Bentley ("Uncle Randy") brought Holly into their home to care for her in Greenup, KY. Holly went through rehabilitation a second time, learning how to walk and talk again - a real comeback kid. Deloris and John found that Holly gave them more love and joy than she received. Holly lived in Greenup until 2021 when her aunt was no longer able to care for her. Holly lived her last days in Louisville, KY, spreading joy to her caregivers who quickly grew to love Holly.

In her later years, Holly lived in a childlike state. Every morning, she woke up

cheerfully saying, "I'm up! I'm up! I'm up!" Holly's favorite song was "Girls Just Want to Have Fun". She loved to dance, and her favorite food was McDonald's hamburgers. She called her caregivers mommy or mom. Holly greeted strangers with "I love you" and "I love God." She ended each day frustrated, not knowing where she was, trying to "get home."

Thank you to the community of Greenup for caring for Holly over the years and keeping her safe. Thank you to Emmaus Respite and Resource Center of Greenup, KY, Advocating for You of Morehead, KY and MyCare of Louisville, KY, and every caregiver who cared for Holly. She is finally home.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Holly will always be remembered for her beautiful smile, love and kindness!* ”



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