



Cheryl Holowacz

June 30, 1945 - May 16, 2014

Cheryl Spence Holowacz, 68, passed away Friday, May 16, 2014 at home in Myrtle Beach, SC, after a nine month battle with cancer.

Born June 30, 1945 in Covington, KY, Cheryl was the daughter of the late William A. Spence and Dorothy Spence. She was a long time resident of the Columbia/Irmo area before moving to Myrtle Beach in 2001. She had worked with the IRS, FAA and AMBAC in Columbia and worked in the Myrtle Beach hospitality industry for many years, most recently with Plantation Resorts.

Survivors include her husband, Edward F. Holowacz of Myrtle Beach, daughter Tracey Henson of Fayetteville, NC, grandson Daniel Shipp and his wife Kristen of Fayetteville, NC, stepson Eric Holowacz and wife Maureen and children Eva, Mila, Anais of Baton Rouge, LA, stepson Jason Holowacz and wife Amber of Cayce, SC. Also brothers Michael Spence and wife Sheree of Springfield, VA, Mark Spence and wife Cynthia Turner of Waialua, HI, and several nieces and nephews, Mariel Spence, Jason Spence, Luke Spence, William Spence, Mark David Spence and wife Kristen, and Apryl Spence Roland and husband David Roland.

Funeral services will be held Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 10:00 AM at Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel, 11528 Hwy 17 Bypass, Murrells Inlet, SC. Her service may be viewed live via webcast at <http://webcasts.lifetributes.com/493>

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A Celebration of Life for Cheryl Holowacz will be held at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, 1302 48th Avenue N, Myrtle Beach, SC on Wednesday, May 21, 2014 at 3:00 PM. Relatives and friends are invited to attend.

Flowers will be accepted or memorials may be made to American Cancer Society, 950 48th Avenue N. suite 101, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577, 843-213-0333.

An online guestbook is available at www.goldfinchfuneralhome.com/obituaries

Goldfinch Funeral Home, Beach Chapel is in charge of the arrangements.

Previous Events

Service

MAY **20**. 10:00 AM (ET)

Celebration Center

11528 Hwy 17 Bypass

Murrells Inlet, SC 29588

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Tribute Wall



“ Goldfinch Funeral Services created a Webcast in memory of Cheryl Holowacz



Goldfinch Funeral Home - May 19, 2014 at 07:40 AM

LI

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lisa - May 26, 2014 at 06:33 AM

AB

“ I'm so sorry for your loss. Please accept my deepest sympathy. May you find comfort from your memories, as well as God's word the bible. Why do people we love die? Romans 5:12 says: "That is why, just as through one man (Adam) sin entered into the world and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men because they had all sinned." How loving of God to promise what is found at Revelation 21:4 which says, "And he will wipe out every tear from their eyes, and death will be no more, neither will mourning nor outcry nor pain be anymore. The former things have passed away.”

A. Bell - May 28, 2014 at 12:40 PM

HH

“ Heather Horner lit a candle in memory of Cheryl Holowacz



Heather Horner - May 21, 2014 at 08:53 PM

MF

“ We only met Cheryl one time but could tell right away that she was a beautiful soul. That notion is only reinforced this week as I have read the condolences left on Apryl's and Luke's Facebook pages and here as well. I could also tell what a huge role model she was for Luke and Apryl. Our heartfelt condolences to her family and friends as this special person is surely going to be missed but I am sure when they look back on the memories they will most often smile.



Matthews Family - May 20, 2014 at 02:57 PM

AE

“ Anne Eckenrode lit a candle in memory of Cheryl Holowacz



Anne Eckenrode - May 20, 2014 at 10:22 AM

AE

May you find comfort in the wonderful memories you have of a wonderful lady. Hugs & prayers

Anne Eckenrode - May 20, 2014 at 10:23 AM

DJ

“ David and April and Luke and Brad - What a beautiful service for Cheryl. Jolene and I watched and it was so heart warming. We just wished we could have known Cheryl, and I cant imagine what courage it took to deliver those beautiful words as Luke did. All of the family and friends will be in our prayers and thoughts.
David and Jolene

David and Jolene - May 20, 2014 at 10:06 AM

JE

“ Ed, Duane and I were able to watch Cheryl's service on-line today. We have beautiful memories of your beautiful Cheryl. What a loss! We remember the cruise to Bermuda; our first, with Joann and Jack and Carla and David and then another about 20+ years ago. We will never forget her. Our condolences,
Jewell and Duane Etienne
(Joann Carder's sister)

Jewell Etienne - May 20, 2014 at 09:47 AM

CR

“ Cheryl - I knew that heaven was shining brighter lately, I guess it's all the "Bling". What a wonderful, caring person you were and how much help and mentoring you gave me! I know you are happy to be with your Mom and Dad. For those left behind, Ed, Tracey and the many many friends, God give you strength, peace and comfort.

Cathy Ridenhour

Cathy Ridenhour - May 20, 2014 at 09:25 AM

 Linda
Marshall

“ Cheryl was a perfect friend with a heart of gold. I will miss her terribly... I know she's shining bright in heaven watching over us... May the grace of God embrace her family today and always. xo
-Linda Marshall

Linda Marshall - May 20, 2014 at 08:58 AM

 Nathan
Belt

“ Ed, Tracey and family, I love you all so much and wish that I could be there with you on this day. Cheryl will live on in my heart always. She meant the world to both myself and Cassie. My Mama Cheryl... Heaven has a new angel and I'm sure they're all excited to see you shine. I'll never forget you. Rest in peace, my dear friend.

Nathan Belt - May 20, 2014 at 08:06 AM

CF

“ Tracey,

My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this time of loss. Know how close you and your mother were, and just remember all the goods time you had.



Carla Blevins and Family - May 20, 2014 at 06:55 AM

SW

“Bobbie, Barb and myself (Steve) are deeply saddened by the passing of Cheryl. While our families were unable to spend more time together over the years we are still family and there will be a void with her loss. Time and distance has not diminished the love we had for her nor our thoughts of you all. We wanted very badly to be there for the celebration of Cheryl's life but just could not make the necessary arrangements in time. Please know that we are praying for you and think of you often. May God grant you strength in your time of grief and the peace necessary to accept this unexpected loss. We have made a contribution to the American Cancer Society and want you to know it would be an honor to welcome you into our home any time you are near the Cincinnati area.

Steve Wilson - May 19, 2014 at 04:59 PM

PW

“Tracey, I am so sorry to hear about your Mom. I know how close you were and how very much you loved her. I pray for peace and comfort for you and will keep you in my every prayer. If I can help you in any way, please do not hesitate to call.

Pam Wrench

Pam Wrench - May 19, 2014 at 04:21 PM



“Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Cheryl Holowacz.



May 19, 2014 at 11:56 AM

MC

“ Mike and Patti Cusack purchased the Basket of Memories for the family of Cheryl Holowacz.



Mike and Patti Cusack - May 19, 2014 at 11:56 AM

EK

“ Elizabeth King purchased the Simply Elegant Sp athiphyllum for the family of Cheryl Holowacz.



Elizabeth King - May 19, 2014 at 11:00 AM

EW

“ Tracey and Family, my sincere condolences in your lost. Cheryl and I met a few times and to date, I still remember that smile and warm heart. She was amazing. Tracey anything that i can do for you and your family, I am only a call away. I love you and want you to know that my prayers are with you. God Bless your family.



Eve;yn Williams - May 19, 2014 at 08:24 AM

SL

“ My condolences and prayers to Cheryl's family. I only knew her briefly when she first came to work at The Palace Theatre, but what a ray of Joy and sunshine she was. Beautiful lady with a heart of Gold. We so enjoyed our conversations of talking southern gospel music & Elvis! She will be missed as she flies high above with The Angels. RIP

Steven Lawson - May 18, 2014 at 09:13 PM

SS

“ I met Cheryl working at Celebration Music Theatre...she loved Elvis as everyone knows. Her office was across from mine and I was always amazed and the Elvis memorabilia....she was always fun, filled with a supportive loving spirit. I always looked forward to seeing her. When we talked about the Minnie Pearl Gospel Hour she was so excited to have good old gospel music at the theatre. Gold city! One of her faves! She will be putting some great music together in heaven. Enjoy Cheryl...I love ya and can't wait to see you again!

susie shoman - May 18, 2014 at 07:40 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Cheryl Holowacz.



May 18, 2014 at 06:14 PM

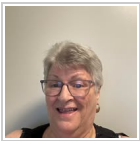
KL

“ When myself and David came to Myrtle Beach to be the Irish Tenors in *The Magical Spirit of Ireland*, we were welcomed with open arms from all at the Palace Theatre. However Cheryl's love and support will always be particularly special. An invite to her house for corn beef and cabbage on St Patrick's Day, furniture and plates when we moved into our first condo and a shoulder to lean on when the homesick feelings would kicked in!!!! These are just a few moments from the seven years that Cheryl was apart of our adventures here in the US.

Cheryl, your kindness and warmth to us will always be remembered. Love and wishes to the whole family.

Kevin and David....."The Irish Tenors"!!!

Kevin Littlejohn - May 18, 2014 at 01:23 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Cheryl lost. She was such a beautiful lady inside and out. I will always remember that big smile.RIP my friend

Regina Turpin Siegel - May 18, 2014 at 10:34 AM



“ A Full Life was purchased for the family of Cheryl Holowacz.



May 18, 2014 at 10:28 AM

DS

“ *May God surround this family with love and support and give them peace.*

Cheryl was an extraordinary woman who was always willing to lend a helping hand.

Her expertise in the motor coach business has made Myrtle Beach a busier place.

She gave her heart and soul to every theater and entity she worked for.

And as we all know, Cheryl adored her family.

I will miss her vivacious spirit.

Diane DeVaughn Stokes

Myrtle Beach



Diane DeVaughn Stokes - May 18, 2014 at 08:29 AM

AR

“ *Cheryl was very friendly and good to me last year when I stayed with Cheryl and Ed. She was very funny and I liked her photo collection. She was really lovely to me, Adam Rae, Melbourne Australia (2013 U15 Kangaroos tour to SC)*

Adam Rae - May 17, 2014 at 09:10 PM

CS

“ *1 file added to the album New Album Name*



Cindy Sweeney - May 17, 2014 at 08:51 PM

CS

“ Cheryl you were such an amazing and vibrant woman. I so admired your strength and positive attitude. Always helping others always ready to take on the impossible. I admired you more than you will ever know. I am so grateful to have had you in my life. I will always remember you and the great times "the sistuhs" shared together. My heart goes out to Ed and Tracey and the rest of the family. I love you!



Cindy Sweeney - May 17, 2014 at 08:49 PM

JS

“ I will always remember your beautiful smile Cheryl! Heaven is a brighter place ! May God Bless your family and be with them during this time. I was blessed to know you and have you call me friend. Till we meet again. Love Joyce Sherwood.

Joyce Sherwood - May 17, 2014 at 08:12 PM

RB

“ Rodney and Mary Brown purchased the A Full Life for the family of Cheryl Holowacz.



Rodney and Mary Brown - May 17, 2014 at 06:01 PM

VC

“ Vicki Cooke lit a candle in memory of Cheryl Holowacz



Vicki Cooke - May 17, 2014 at 05:00 PM



“ So sorry to hear of Cheryl's passing. Such a sweet Lady! Praying for Ed and the family.

Ann Sullivan

Ann Sullivan - May 17, 2014 at 05:00 PM



“ I remember our road trip to Virginia Beach for the ABA convention. Cheryl, Debi and I shared a car and it was filled to the rim with our luggage, boxes, pillows and stuff/ I was in the back seat and had just enough room to sit. We laughed and shared stories, got lost in an area that was not quite a good place to be. We all had such a good time and shared so many funny stories. On our trip to Tennessee, Cheryl, Debi and I shared a cabin and the time of our lives. Debi in her bright orange pj's telling us she saw a big black bear, we nearly lost it laughing at the site of her. The three of us went to a tattoo parlor to get a tattoo so we decided on a humming bird. Debi and I got the one with the short tail, but sweet Cheryl got the one with the really long tail. We laughed at each other getting this done. Our last memorable time together was having dinner at PF Changs and going to a movie that we laughed so hard we were crying. I will miss having fun with you Cheryl and hearing you laugh. I will forever keep that smiling face in my memory. God bless you and I love you.

Vicki Cooke - May 17, 2014 at 04:58 PM



I am so sad for the loss of Cheryl. She was a wonderful person who genuinely cared about those she knew. Ed, I will be praying for you and your family.

Joyce Dillon - May 17, 2014 at 07:07 PM