



## Janice Marie Holmes

April 17, 1942 - December 4, 2021

Janice Marie Holmes was born on Friday April 17, 1942 in Alton, IL to the late Lacey and Eunice Henderson. She was the eldest of two children. Janice was raised in a Godly home and was very close to her sister Bernadine Few. Following her mother's example, Janice was an expert wife, mother, and homemaker. As a child, she attended St. John Baptist Church and later joined Belle Street C.O.G.I.C at the age of 16.

In 1961 Janice graduated from Alton Sr. High School. After graduation, Janice went on to work at the Glass Works for 20 years. Upon the Glass Work's closing, she switched careers and worked at Miller's Mutual for several years while simultaneously working at JCPenney's, where she was dearly loved by co-workers, and customers alike. After 25 years of service at JCPenney's she retired in 2010.

On September 26, 1964, Janice was united in Holy Matrimony to Pleas Holmes Jr. in Alton, IL at Belle Street C.O.G.I.C. From their union, two sons were born: Clevon Holmes, and Rodney Holmes Sr.

Janice enjoyed reading mystery novels and loved to travel. She was very active in her bowling league for several years and had an addicting passion for shopping. Janice loved spending time with her family, coworkers, and friends. She was also committed to attending weekly Pokeno games at Senior Services Plus until her health declined. Janice was well known for baking cakes, cookies, and homemade candy during the holiday season.

On Saturday December 4, 2021, after 79 years of life, Janice transitioned to a

better place. Janice was preceded in death by her parents Lacey and Eunice Henderson and her sister Bernadine Few. To cherish her memory, she is survived by: her husband of 57 years, Pleas Holmes Jr. of Alton, IL; two sons Clevon P. Holmes of Belleville, IL and Rodney E. Holmes of St. Louis, MO; and three grandchildren Clonesia Pettis-Holmes of Alton, IL; Clevon J. Holmes of Alton, IL; and Rodney Holmes Jr. of Kingsland, GA. She is also survived by a host of sister in laws, brother in laws, nieces, nephews, and cousins.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at 11:00 am, Saturday, December 11, 2021 at Gent Funeral Home, Alton. Memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice.

# Previous Events

## **Celebration of Life**

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DEC 11. 11:00 AM (CT)

Gent Funeral Home Inc  
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Alton, IL 62002  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Janice Marie Holmes*

January 28, 2023 at 10:19 AM



“ *Janice Marie Holmes*

January 28, 2023 at 08:19 AM



“ *Will miss your brilliant smile and loving personality Aunt Janice. Sending you love an light Uncle Sonny. -Angie*

**Angela Harvey-Bowen** - December 11, 2021 at 12:06 PM



“ *Mary B Madison /Milwaukee,Wi lit a candle in memory of Janice Marie Holmes*



**Mary B Madison /Milwaukee,Wi** - December 11, 2021 at 11:26 AM



“ *Brenda, Cassandra and Frank Manley purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Janice Marie Holmes.*



**Brenda, Cassandra and Frank Manley** - December 10, 2021 at 01:43 PM

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“ Blessings for God having reached out and your pain is over and you are in his hands and care. We love you and will miss you dearly. Until we meet again, rest in love and peace.  
*Love Your Sister in Law*

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**Carol Schroer** - December 08, 2021 at 04:03 PM

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“ Loretha Withrow sent a virtual gift in memory of  
*Janice Marie Holmes*



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**Loretha Withrow** - December 07, 2021 at 04:49 PM

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“ Richard & Cozette purchased the *Enduring Grace*  
for the family of *Janice Marie Holmes*.



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**Richard & Cozette** - December 07, 2021 at 01:19 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket* was purchased for the  
family of *Janice Marie Holmes*.



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December 06, 2021 at 03:52 PM



“ Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Janice Marie Holmes.



December 06, 2021 at 03:50 PM



“ Condolences to my Pastor, Lori Holmes & Uncle Sonny who welcomed myself & Carolyn as family. We had the pleasure of meeting Auntie thru our Pastor & she was a beautiful person & excepted us as part of the family. Praying that the Lord give you all the strength needed at this time of bereavement. From Helen Malone - Kankakee, Ill.



Helen Malone - December 06, 2021 at 05:39 AM



“ I met Janice at around 8 years old. I would often go home with her after service on Sunday for dinner. She was a teenager and she and her sister didn't mind hanging out with me. It was always a treat and I loved them deary. RIP my friend. May the God of peace give strength and comfort to the family. 🙏❤️

Linda Thompson - December 05, 2021 at 09:53 PM



*My dear cousin Janice, she and I were penpals for years during our early childhood years. I was one of the bridesmaid at her wedding. She will be missed. God's Peace and Love be a comfort to the family.*

*Much love*

*Jane Penny Parker December 10, 2021*

Jane Penny Parker - December 09, 2021 at 05:57 PM