



Diane Sue Grimes

July 27, 2008

Diane Sue Grimes, age 52, of Albia, formally of Des Moines, died Sunday morning, July 27, 2008, at the Monroe County Hospital in Albia.

Diane was born October 25, 1955, in Des Moines, Iowa to Donald and Alice (Ewing) Blasky. Diane attended school and graduated from South East Polk High School, Class of 1973. Diane later attended DMACC and received her Associate Degree in Accounting. On October 9, 1998 Diane married Richard Grimes at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia.

Diane lived in Saylorville and worked for several years at Garvis Honda in Des Moines as the office manager. In 1998, she moved to Albia and worked at the front desk of the Monroe County Health Clinic. Later, she worked for the Oskaloosa school system, before going to Iowa Aluminum as the office manager where she worked since its inception.

Diane was very talented and gifted with arts and crafts. She was a master quilter and won several awards for her quilts and crafts. Diane donated and gave many quilts away. She enjoyed baking cakes, canning foods, Southern Gospel Music, traveling and was a long time blood donor. Diane was very well known throughout Iowa for her collection of Lady Head Vases, and volunteering with her husband on the Operation Christmas Child Program. Diane was a very active member with the Highland Park Christian Church and attended the Bethany Reformed Church while living in Saylorville. Diane attended the Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia and was active in the bell choir. Later she was a very active member of Faith Community Church,

where her husband ministers. She co-hosted a radio show with her husband Richard called Heavens Jubilee on Sunday nights.

Diane is survived by her husband; Richard Grimes of Albia, her children; Adam and his wife Jennifer Black of Seymour, MO, Andy and his wife Heather Black of Ankeny, IA, her mother; Alice Griffieon of Ankeny, IA; mother and father in-law, David and Gladys Grimes of Albia; one brother; Donald Blasky Jr. and his fiancée Kelly, one sister; Mary Berry, one niece; Emma Diane Berry, three nephews; Matt, Phil, and Ted Sullivan. Diane is also survived by one grandson; Noah Black and many other loving family members.

Diane is preceded in death by her father; Donald Blasky.

A Funeral Service will be held at 10:30A.M., Wednesday, July 30, 2008, at Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia, with Rev. Kevin Leveck, and Rev. Lois Williams co-officiating. Burial will follow services at Oak View Cemetery in Albia.

Visitation for Diane will begin at 10:00 A.M., Tuesday, July 29th, at the Winfield Funeral Home, with the family present from 4 to 8:00 P.M., Tuesday evening.

A Memorial has been established to the Faith Community Church of Eddyville, The Operation Christmas Child Program, or the National Ovarian Cancer Society.

Tribute Wall



“ *Diane Sue Grimes*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Diane Sue Grimes*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Rich,*

I was deeply saddened to hear about Diane.

Be thankful that you found each other and had what little time you did with her. She was a wonderful person and I never met two people that belonged together like you two.

I am very sorry that I could not attend the service and wish that I could find the right things to say to make your pain a little easier.

I have always looked at you as my 5th brother and if there is anything I can do, I am just a phone call away.

I love you very much and know that my heart truly goes out to you and your family.

God Bless

Angie Kausalik - August 18, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BT

“ Richard:

Just wanted to let you know we're thinking of you, and your in our prayers. You were there for us in our time of need- and I hope you know how much we appreciated that. So sorry to here of Diane, hope you are doing okay, and remember that we WILL see them again sometime--that's what I'm holding onto.

Take Care,

Bob & Este Thompson

Bob & Este Thompson - August 12, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Mr. Grimes,

I just wanted to take a moment to offer my condolences to you and your family in the passing of your wife. May you find comfort in friends and family in this difficult time.

Leslie Ruggles

Oskaloosa HS Alum

Leslie Ruggles - August 05, 2008 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ *Dear Adam, Andy and family, We were very saddened to hear about you Mother. We were very blessed to have known her. She was such a kind and generous person. She was a second mom to Steve during his early school years and it meant the world to me to know he was in such good care. She so loved you boys - you are very lucky to have had such a wonderful person for a mother. I am sorry we weren't able to attend the service as we were out of town. All of you will be in our prayers.*

Alice Newman and family - August 04, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Dear Rich, Andy, Adam and Families,

I want to tell you how inspiring the memorial service was for your beloved wife and mother. She leaves to this earth a great legacy and many wonderful memories--thank you so much for your courage to share your hearts and deep feelings and memories of this very special woman. May God hold you close, in the very palm of His hand, as you walk through the days ahead. Only He can mend the pain and sorrow, and He will do just that--it takes time. Blessings to you all. Kathy DeVore

Kathy DeVore - August 01, 2008 at 12:00 AM

BP

“ *I'm was so sorry to hear of Diane's passing, I was a childhood classmate from the fourmile woodland hills area where we grew up and also graduated with her in 1973. I remember her as a wonderful person from those years..my condolences to the family. god bless Bill Phillips*

Bill Phillips - July 31, 2008 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *Mary,
Surprised and sorry to hear of your sister's death. We were school mates back in the day :). Trust you will find strength in God to get through this difficult time.*

Carmen Sloan McConnell

Carmen McConnell - July 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Richard -

*I was shocked and saddened to hear about Diane. I'm so sorry.
You're in my prayers.*

God Bless,

Ron

Ron Coe - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Dear Rich,

I was so sorry to hear of your wife's death.

*You will hear this sentiment often, but it's true: Take comfort in the
thought of your loved one free of pain and suffering, enjoying the
peace and joy of the house of the Lord.*

You are in my thoughts and prayers in this difficult time.

Linda Foter

Linda Foster - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ We knew Diane in Altoona. We enjoyed her "spunk" and contagious
smile. She will be greatly missed. Your strong faith will help sustain
you.

Dave and Norma Stuart

Dave & Norma Stuart - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Andy and family, We were very sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. She was such a wonderful person. She raised two great sons that she could be proud of. Our deepest sympathies go with you, Ron and Shirley Holmes

Ronald & Shirley Holmes - July 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ Rich,

What a surprise to me! May you find the strength for healing during this time. God Bless

Kyle Harrison - July 28, 2008 at 12:00 AM