



## Colleen Clifford

June 10, 2008

Colleen Clifford, 55, passed away June 5, 2008. She is preceded in death by her father Paul G. Werner and father-in-law James L. Clifford. She is survived by husband Steve Clifford; her mother, Patricia Collerain Werner; Sisters, Molly Garza and husband Ray , Janet Werner, Patty Walters and husband David; her mother-in-law, Alice Clifford; three sisters-in-law , JoAnn Pache, Robi and Larry Smith, and Joyce Clifford.; and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 10, 2008 at Sam Houston Memorial Funeral Home located at 10129 West FM 1097, in Willis, Texas. Burial will follow at the adjacent Smith Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to the Scleroderma Research Foundation, 220 Montgomery Street, Suite 1411, San Francisco, CA. 94101 You may leave memorial condolences to the family at [www.shmfh.com](http://www.shmfh.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ *Colleen Clifford*

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November 15, 2022 at 08:33 PM



“ *I am so sorry to learn of Colleen's passing. Although I've been away from Shaw (Stone & Webster) for almost six years, I still miss and remember the people I worked with.*

*Colleen was always pleasant and cheerful whenever she brought work to our department. I will keep her and her family in my prayers. May you find solitude knowing that Colleen continues to live in your memories and the memories of all her friends.*

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**Joe Dembski** - June 13, 2008 at 09:59 PM



“ *Dear Steve, This is the most difficult letter I have ever written in my life. Knowing the pain that I and so many others are feeling; I cannot imagine the depth of yours at this time. Colleen was such a joy to just be around--her great sense of humor, her kind and thoughtful nature and terrific smile--the two of you were a wonderful example of what a loving marriage should be. I know that we are not strong religious people, however, there is so much evidence out there that convinces me that Colleen will continue to bring you happiness in her subtle gentle ways. I know you have great, happy memories of her--keep those happy and funny times sharp in your mind. Also, talk to her, a lot, get everything out--she will help you move forward to become strong again--that is what she would want for you because she loved you that much.*

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**JoAnn Pache** - June 13, 2008 at 01:23 PM

SL

“ Dear Steve and family,

*I was so sorry to hear of Colleen's passing. I grew up on Key Street next to the Bulot's (Audie and Carolyn) and I remember well the Werner's all visiting especially at Christmas. I always thought what a wonderful family Paul, Patsy, and the four girls were. I remember Colleen as being a beautiful girl. Please know I am thinking of all of you at this terribly sad time .*

*Sandra Magill Lem*

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**Sandra Magill Lem** - June 12, 2008 at 09:29 AM

GP

“ Steve, this message is from George Pache Sr., I knew about your beloved Colleen through Jo Ann. I understand se was a very lovable person, and I realize how deeply you miss her. Please accept my best wishes of sympathy and I hope you'll pull out from this devastating loss knowing that her spirit is with you all the time.

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**George C, Pache** - June 11, 2008 at 11:16 PM

BM

“ Steve & Family, I had the pleasure of working with Colleen at S&W. In fact, she moved into my position when I left the company about 9 years ago. She was truly a "class act". There wasn't any job she wouldn't tackle and always seemed to be happy to do so. I am so sorry for your loss. Please cherish her memories, that is the way Colleen would have wanted it. Bless you all.

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**Beverly Macey** - June 11, 2008 at 04:12 PM

TN

“ I am really saddened by Colleen's passing. I remember seeing Colleen at work and her always being so sweet and friendly to me. She was such a joy to be around and will be missed by many. Steve and family, my thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Tina Nikou** - June 10, 2008 at 12:27 PM

VA

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**Vicky Abejo-Virtudazo** - June 10, 2008 at 11:04 AM

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MO

“ Steve, I worked with Colleen at Stone & Webster. The best times I had at work was when we were on the same projects. I remember one day watching her type 1000 words a minute under a deadline while an engineer was standing at her desk yipping at her because he wanted something done. Then the phone rang and she answered it as pleasantly as if she was sitting under a tree on a beutiful day with nothing to do but make the person on the phone feel comfortable. She was way beyond "special". I'm proud that she was my friend. You are on our thoughts and in our prayers.

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**Mike Obert** - June 10, 2008 at 12:16 AM

MP

“ Dear Steve: This is from Marisa, Missy and Mindy in San Diego. Feeling Jo Ann's pain here and with her, feeling the pain of you, her dear brother whom she loves so much. We are so very sorry for your loss . . . in time you will be able to see that this was not a loss but a beautiful transition for Colleen. She is with you, Steve, she can hear you and feel your feelings. We know this because of our experience with our loving Denise. She will send you her love and her messages through the Holy Spirit . . . be open to embrace her and to be able to communicate with her through the channel of our Holy Spirit . . . you will be amazed and comforted in knowing where she is and that you and she can continue to communicate. May you soon feel her presence and be comforted with her love, Marisa

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**Marisa Pache** - June 09, 2008 at 08:51 PM

JS

“ Dearest Colleen,

*It was fitting that you were born on St. Patrick's Day. You truly had the luck of the Irish, because you lived a charmed life. The primary reason was because of Steve, your Prince Charming, who saw that you had everything you ever needed or wanted. We thank you, Steve, from the bottoms of our hearts. All we ever wanted for Colleen, was to be loved and taken care of it. But you did so much more. Because of you, she had the opportunity to experience things and go places she would never have dreamed of. She blossomed as a woman, and had the opportunity in her lifetime to reach her full potential. She really had found the pot of gold.*

*Like leprechauns, Colleen, your sense of fun will be what I remember the most. The practical jokes we pulled on each other; always trying to outdo each one. And you had the sharpest wit of anyone I've ever met. I don't know where that came from. It's not something you inherit, and it's not a skill you can develop. It's a gift that only people with magical qualities possess.*

*It's ironic that the person with the biggest heart I've ever known, was done in by it. In 1972 Don McLean wrote a song title "American Pie" in which he refers to the tragic airplane crash that killed Buddy Holly, Richie Valens, and The Big Bopper, as 'the day the music died.' Your sense of humor and spirit of fun will be deeply missed. There will be a void in our lives for the rest of time, and I'll always regard June 5th as 'the day the fun died.'*

*Your loving sister,*

*Jan*

*For family and friends having difficulty dealing with the loss of our beloved, Colleen, please contact The Grief Resource Center.*

*The Grief Resource Center  
P O Box 131107  
The Woodlands, TX 77393  
Phone: 281-292-6800  
Email: support@tgrconline.org  
www.tgrconline.org*

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**Janet (Colleen's sister)** - June 09, 2008 at 12:27 PM

MD

*“ I haven't seen Colleen for years but I was just thinking of her last week. That's the kind of unforgettable person that she was... always laughing, smiling and looking at the positive side of life. It always amazed me that she could wear a smile every day, even while wearing those 3-inch high heels! Oh, how she loved her shoes--she could run a close competition with Philippine's First Lady Imelda Marcos and Sex in the City's Kerri Bradshaw.*

*I'll always think of Colleen with fond memories. Take comfort that memories of the life you shared with her will live forever, and forever never ends.*

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**Madeline Durka** - June 09, 2008 at 12:23 PM

LH

“ *Steve and Family:*  
My thoughts and prayers are with you; Colleen was such a joy to work with and I was so happy for her when she told me she was retiring and moving. She is just another angel in heaven. May God be with you all.

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**Linda Holzhauser** - June 09, 2008 at 10:47 AM

MK

“ I was so sorry to hear of Colleen passing. I went to Mt Carmel with her and even though I have not seen her in many many years, she was a very special person. I have fond memories of attending the football games together. She will certainly be missed by many. May God give you the strength to get through this trying time.

*Marsha A Knox-Webb*

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**Marsha A. Knox-Webb** - June 09, 2008 at 10:23 AM

JB

“ I have so many wonderful memories and stories about Colleen. Haircuts each month together, shopping, lunch and just plain having fun. And I'm sure you won't forget, Steve, the glorious month you and Colleen opened up your home to me when I was "homeless" and having to contend with two women in your house! I will never forget your kindness and friendship. She's one in a million and will be truly missed by everyone. She may not be here with us physically, but her memory will live on with all of us forever. I hope all of you take comfort in the fact that she is at peace and watching over each of us.

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**Jan Barnot** - June 09, 2008 at 09:33 AM

BM

“ I met Colleen & Steve through my best friend, Pat Lawrence, and I'm so proud to say that I know both of you. Colleen was always such a joy to be around and she will be deeply missed. Steve, just know that you will see her again one day and she will meet you with open arms. You and all of Colleen's family are in my prayers. May God give you peace, comfort and blessings during this trying time in your lives.

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**Bobby Metz** - June 08, 2008 at 03:19 PM

PL

“ Steve and family. Colleen was always so much fun to be with. She was a wonderful, beautiful LADY who tried never to let her condition intrude with her life. She was such a joy at work, but even happier after she got to retire. Thank you, Steve for making that happen. The lake was so special to her. She LOVED the games that we all attended. She not only had her favorite player, she knew all about the stats and really enjoyed being at the games in person. Steve, you took such good care of her. She always talked about your talent and how much she appreciated you. She also talked about her family and how much she loved each one. She will be in my fondest memories for the rest of my life.

*Love and Peace to you all.*

*Pat Lawrence*

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**Pat Lawrence** - June 08, 2008 at 02:46 PM

PP

“ I am deeply saddened by Colleen's death. I worked with her at Stone and Webster many years ago as one of the client's project admins. I always found Colleen to be friendly and very professional and always enjoyed working with her. She will certainly be missed by many. May God give you the strength to get through this trying time.

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**Pam Piazza** - June 08, 2008 at 10:03 AM

KG

“ I love my Aunt Cissy very much and she meant a great deal to me. She was such a good person who viewed the positive about everything. Her and my Uncle Steve were the coolest old people I have ever meet. The were just big kids. I am sad to see her go but like my nephew said "Aunt Cissy is sleeping with Jesus." Everything happens for a reason. She will be in my heart everytime I wear my slipper or paint my nails. lol I LOVE YOU CISSY!

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**Katy Garza** - June 07, 2008 at 10:02 PM

MG

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you Steve during this trying time. You will always be more than a brother-in-law, you are my brother. Colleen was not only my sister, she was my best friend, confidant and sharer of good times and bad. We will always cherish the wonderful times that we shared with the two of you and our appreciation for you two being surrogate grandparents for us. No one will ever fill this void in our lives but the wonderful memories and having such a precious sister will be with me forever.  
Love,

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**Molly and Ray Garza** - June 07, 2008 at 08:43 PM