

Cheryl LeVelle October 11, 1947 - February 22, 2008

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Cheryl LeVelle, 60, of South Beloit, IL, died Friday, Feb. 22, 2008, in the Ellen and Peter Johnson Hospice Center, Fitchburg, WI, surrounded by her family and friends after a long illness.

She was born on Oct. 11, 1947, in Beloit, WI, daughter of Grant and Beverly Balderson Gaffey. Cheryl was a 1965 graduate of South Beloit High School. Prior to her illness, Cheryl drove for Laidlaw Bus Company, Rockton, IL. She loved the kids on her bus and the teams she drove to their sporting events.

Cheryl was also an avid bowler in both Beloit and Janesville. She served on the Beloit Women's Bowling Association Board for several years in the 1970's and 1980's and was recently inducted into the Beloit Bowling Council Hall of Fame in 2006. Cheryl was a lifetime member of the South Beloit American Legion Auxiliary.

Cheryl is survived by her loving daughter, Michelle LeVelle of Milton, WI; two brothers, Jerry (Lynn) Gaffey of Waukesha, WI, and Tom (Sue) Gaffey of South Beloit, IL; her mother, Bev Gaffey of Rockton, IL; several nieces and nephews: Trevor Jensen of South Beloit, IL, Grant Gaffey of Brodhead, WI, Tom Gaffey Jr. of Beloit, WI, Samantha Gaffey of Madison, WI, Patrick Gaffey of Brodhead, WI, Kennedy Gaffey of Brodhead, WI, Login Jensen of South Beloit, IL, Sue Herr of Lake Mills, WI, Matt Pilger of Waukesha, WI, and Amber Herr of Lake Mills, WI; two aunts, Rosaleen Wicks of Des Moines, IA, and Joyce Gaffey of Beloit; several cousins, including Jan Wells of South Beloit, IL.

Cheryl was also blessed with many dear friends: Joe and Linda Genovese of Beloit, Melissa Genovese of Beloit, Jose and Jennifer Murray of Beloit, Yolanda Cosgrove of Bolingbrook, IL, Michael Cosgrove of Plainfield, IL, Traci and Dan Falese of Bolingbrook, IL, and their three special children very dear to Cheryl: Nick, Deana and Peter Falese, all of Bolingbrook, IL.<p>

Cheryl was preceded in death by her father, Grant Gaffey; and her paternal and maternal grandparents.

Cheryl's family would like to extend their deepest appreciation to Laura Broten and the staff at the Our House Assisted Living homes in Janesville and Whitewater, WI, the staff in the GTU unit of the Mendota Mental Health Institute in Madison, WI, as well as the staff at the Ellen and Peter Johnson HospiceCare Center in Madison, WI.