



Mrs. Rita Murphy

January 7, 2011

Passed away unexpectedly on Friday January 7, 2011 at the age of 41. Rita will be sadly missed by her husband, John and his family and her closest friend, Glenys. She will also be missed by her "work family" at Don Valley Volkswagon and all of the other lives she touched. A private ceremony will be held for family members. In lieu of flowers please send donations to the Toronto Humane Society. We thank each and every one of you for all of your support and for your kind words.

Tribute Wall

VM

“ When I worked at Don Valley, Rita and I shared a laugh on a daily basis -sometimes even on an hourly basis, lunch's on a monthly basis and pet talk on the drop of a hat. When I left Don Valley, the most painful part was knowing that I wont work with a colleague like Rita. If Rita ever had a tough day, all it took was either a Medium black Tim Hortons or a funny picture/video of an animal and she would be back to her normal laughing self.



John, though we never met I heard so much about you. I am sorry for your loss, may God give you and your families the courage to throughout this difficult time.

Rita will always be in our hearts.

Vinit -friend and co-worker at Don Valley VW

Vinit Mehta - January 22, 2011 at 08:00 PM

CU

“ Our deepest sympathies are with you in your time of need. We may not understand the profound sadness you feel, but may it help you to know how much we care. She will be missed by everyone at the dealership. The effects of Rita not being at the dealership is felt throughout, it is not the same. We missed her smiling face as it is the first thing I see when I get to work. May the good memories of love you shared with Rita comfort now and in the days ahead.

Love always
Cardo Urquhart

c urquhart - January 21, 2011 at 06:22 PM

JY

“ Johnny,

My heart goes out to you my friend. Rita (Vegas) was your soul mate and a great individual. Always a pleasure to talking with such an easy going person. i can't imagine what you are going through but I wish you all the best in this troubled time.

*Sincerely,
Jeff Young*

Jeff Young - January 19, 2011 at 12:46 PM

CZ

“ Rita, you were a great person and an amazing co-worker, I will miss seeing you daily.

The company has suffered a great loss.

John I am truly sorry for your loss.

Chirs Zygotegos Co-worker Donvalley V.W.

CHRIS ZYGOTEGOS - January 19, 2011 at 05:46 AM

BM

“ For quite a few years, I have had the pleasure of seeing John setting up his balcony garden, and him and Rita enjoying it...Some of the hottest days they were out there, soaking up the sun, enjoying those lazy hazy days of summer. She will be missed, such a lovely lady, and such a gentle personality...God bless you John...

Bert Mary - January 18, 2011 at 01:29 PM

JM

“ Rita, i will miss seeing you walking through the door and say Good Morning Johnny with a smile on your face.
I will miss exchanging Christmas Cards with you, The card I will cherish the most is the last one we exchanged.
I will miss you everyday but more during Christmas time.
I will miss your honest and integrity.
I love love you very much and I miss you more and more everyday.
John I am truly sorry for your loss.
Good bye Rita.
John Martan Co-Worker Donvalley V.W.

JOHN MARTAN - January 18, 2011 at 05:56 AM



“ I will always remember our little chats during a stressful day.
Whether you needed an opinion or advice, Rita always gave you her honesty. It is still hard to grasp that she is no longer working with all of us at Don Valley. I took her advice on taking a trip to Las Vegas, a destination often talked about in case our Lottery Pool (which Rita organized) ever came through. Rita was a friendly and open person, simple to get along with and just a genuine great human being. My thoughts and prayers go out to her Husband John, her family and friends. Work won't be the same, but I am happy I met such a great person.

stephan dos santos - January 17, 2011 at 04:50 PM

KS

“ Rita, I am still in shock. I just heard and all I can think about is you & me and all the hours we spent together at Eglinton Square Mall. I know it was years ago and we lost touch a few years after Rowlands but I have thought about you often through the years....wondered how you were, wondered if you ever married John. I was happy to hear that you had. We sure had some good times and bad, but you always had an amazing sense of humor, I loved that about you. I can't believe you were taken so young....all the cats in heaven will surely be loved and i'm sure a few piggies too. It sounds like you had a lot of new good friends at your Volkswagen dealer. They saw the wonderful in you too. You will be sadly missed by new & old friends alike. John our thoughts are with you and your family.

Kimberley Smith (Formula Ford Pickering)

Kimberley Smith - January 15, 2011 at 09:54 AM

SB

“ Rita, thank you for being a great friend and colleague at Don Valley V.W.; I learned a lot from you, and those lessons will never be forgotten. You were generous with your time, your knowledge, your patience, and the food in your office; you helped many of us techs through the day, everyday. My condolence to your husband and family. Here's to Rita Murphy.

Scott Bell, former co-worker at DVVW

Scott Bell - January 14, 2011 at 03:43 PM

MM

“ Rita was not only a very valued employee at Don Valley VW but very caring and conscientious person. Rita took great pride in her work and NEVER complained, although I am sure she had more than enough reasons to do so on some occasions. There was NEVER an instance since September 22, 1999, the day Rita started at Don Valley , that someone had anything but positive feedback about Rita. She CARED.

You were loved by many... we will miss you dearly

To John and family our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Michael Martan - January 14, 2011 at 01:36 PM



“ I truly beleive that those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard but always near. Sill loved, still missed and very dear.

Although time may seem like it's standing still; hold tight to the memories for comfort and may the love of those around you and who loved Rita help you through the days ahead. Rita will always be remembered and missed dearly. My heart goes out to her family, loved ones and husband John.

Cassandra Noble

Cassandra Noble - January 13, 2011 at 04:15 PM

VC

“ To my Dear Daughter in law, Rita,
Beloved and adored wife of my son John.

You gave an eternal gift of love to him. You gave him joy and happiness everyday. Your life together was shared so intimately and so intertwined with each other. Every mother's wish and dream for their children is that are they are fulfilled and content. And I thank you for doing that so wholeheartedly for my dear son, John. I miss you.....the memory of you will be with me always.

Love your mother in law, Virginia.

Where There Is Love

*Where there is love the heart is light,
Where there is love the day is bright
Where there is love there is a song
To help when things are going wrong,
Where there is love there is a smile
To make all things seem more worthwhile,
Where there is love there's a quiet peace,
A tranquil place where turmoils cease...
Love changes darkness into light
And makes the heart take "wingless flight"*

Virginia Colborne, - January 13, 2011 at 01:29 PM

CV

“ Hi Rita, " I'm writing about you"... she's probably saying " oh goodness gracious, here she goes!" I worked with Rita for 1yr and 8 months, but for the last 6 months we shared an office together. She was not happy at first having to be put in the back room, it had nothing to do with being with me, it was just the thought of not being around all of the action, so I took it upon myself to make sure Rita understood that the move was a good one. After a couple of weeks when Rita really got to know me, she opened up. My goodness did we laugh. Rita has a great sense of humor, we shared our thoughts on many levels. She especially liked it when I had customers in the office, she would hear me plug my sales pitches and hear the customer's response. The customer was not aware that she was sitting on the other side of the cubicle. Many times she said she had to put her hand over her mouth so that she would not burst out laughing, especially when Henry and Mark from the chinese newspaper visited me. I have come to know Rita well, and she told me that she would be ok when this day comes, that she would be fine with it. I guess she did not realize that everyone else would not be fine with it, especially with her being so young. Rita, I miss you, and please know that you are surrounded with love by many. You did make a difference at Don Valley. But most of all you made a difference when you became my friend. (((hugs)))
John, please know that my heart goes out to you and your family.



Chloe - Don Valley Volkswagen - January 13, 2011 at 11:54 AM

LL

“ Rita is a unique person, caring quite and very honest. Miss you Rita. My thoughts and prayers go out to John and family. Your friend at Don Valley Volkswagen.
Laura Luscri xoxoxoxoxo

Laura Luscri - January 13, 2011 at 09:59 AM

LC

“ I met Rita 2 years ago, but it seems like I have known her all my life. She is the most genuine person I have ever met or worked with. Rita, I will miss your smile, your caring ways, and most of all I will miss the way you seem to know exactly what to say to lift my spirit when I am down. You have been an amazing co-worker and a true friend. I thank God that I had the opportunity to know you and to be apart of your life. John, I never met you but you gave me great advise through Rita, I am truly sorry for your loss. Rita my friend I love you, I miss you but I will never forget you. Good bye my friend, i will be seeing you in paradise. Loretta Cain co-worker @Donvalley V.W.

LORETTA CAIN - January 13, 2011 at 09:56 AM

LL

“ Rita is a unique lady, very caring, quite and honest. Miss you Rita. My thoughts and prayers are with your husband John and family. Your friend @ Don Valley Volkswagen
Laura Luscri



Laura Luscri - January 13, 2011 at 09:21 AM



“ Rita was one of a kind....hilarious, fun-loving, a joker, animal lover, friend, and a down to earth person...we had great times together as shown in the added photo....guess there are bigger plans for you Rita.....we will miss you....Albert and Margaret Holloway

January 13, 2011 at 05:30 AM



“ *Margaret Halfyard-Holloway lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Rita Murphy*



Margaret Halfyard-Holloway - January 12, 2011 at 10:51 PM



“ *Rita was a blast, a great person, down to earth and animal lover. We always had fun whenever we were together and as the posted picture shows, always smiling...in the photo is Rita, Margaret and Albert at a party.....you will be missed here on earth Rita, but are bringing smiles wherever you are now.....Albert and Margaret Holloway*

Margaret Halfyard-Holloway - January 12, 2011 at 10:51 PM



“ *Oh John,memories are the legacy of love and you must cherish those. We have such wonderful, fun and loving memories of Rita including the photo of the three of us at the Nissan party.....point and case....good times with good people. There is more sunshine in the heavens now that Rita has arrived.....she will be missed....we love you....Albert and Margaret Holloway*



margaret/albert holloway - January 12, 2011 at 08:32 PM



“ *We know that nothing we say or do can take away the pain. Our thoughts and prayers are with you Johnny, and your family.*

John Doreen MacLeod - January 12, 2011 at 07:14 PM

JB

“ Although no words can really help to ease the loss you bear, just know that you are very close in every thought and prayer.

Julie Bills - January 12, 2011 at 01:54 PM

MN

“ Rita you will be sadly missedYou were a great friend and Co-worker ,you were always there to help . You will never be forgotten . My thoughts and prayers go to John and his Family .

Miro (Co-worker @ Don Valley Vw)

Miro Necak - January 12, 2011 at 10:34 AM

Jay
Yoo

“ John,
I am very sad and sorry to hear about your loss. If there is anything I or my family can do, please let me know. You and your family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Jay Yoo - January 12, 2011 at 10:12 AM

PF

“ I know for certain that we never lose the people we love, even to death. They continue to participate in every act, thought and decision we make. Their love leaves an indelible imprint in our memories. We find comfort in knowing that our lives have been enriched by having shared their love. May you R.I.P. Rita



Paulette Helder Ferreira & Family - January 12, 2011 at 09:34 AM

AS

“ *The word's will come, Iv'e tried to write them so many times. but i'm so overcome with saddness right now,
Miss you
Annmarie*

AnnMarie Stanoi - January 11, 2011 at 10:36 PM

RK

“ *I will always remember our last Christmas party as a group...the Woodys clan. All of us sitting around John and Ritas room, enjoying each others company, having fun with each other, and becoming ever closer as friends and extended family. To this day our extended family still exists, and will always exist. You will truly be missed Rita.
" I have this feeling there's one more star up in the sky tonight. And even though it's far away, its brightness and warmth still reach us here to make the nite a little less dark"
Love always Robbie K.*



Robbie Killam - January 11, 2011 at 08:14 PM

RW

“ *We never met personally Rita but I sure enjoyed the Turkey sandwiches that you would sent us. I am so sad that we didn't get the chance, but John and I have talked about you many times. John I am here for you if you need anything.
Your Pal
Ron Wright*

Ron Wright - January 11, 2011 at 08:02 PM



“ *I remember I had to bargain with Rita to take the picture I posted....I promised if I could take just one I wouldn't try for another. She made me keep that promise although I tried many times to break it. I remember another time that I got to spend a weekend with Rita and her husband John at the Casino and remember how laid back she was. Her and I snuck away to play the game machines as she liked the ones I did She was so easy to get along with; she was kind hearted and a lot of fun to be around. My thoughts and prayers are with her husband John and her family.*

Cassandra Noble - January 11, 2011 at 06:21 PM



I remember when you took the picture of us.....good times

Margaret Halfyard-Holloway - January 12, 2011 at 10:53 PM



It was a great night I remember how much fun we all had together and that is shown in the picture I posted

Cassandra Noble - January 13, 2011 at 09:26 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Memories*



Cassandra Noble - January 11, 2011 at 06:06 PM

MH

yup, that's the three of us having a blast as usual....Rita, Margaret and Albert Holloway.....what fun times.....love you Rita Vegas..thanks for loving our fish.

margaret/albert holloway - January 12, 2011 at 08:51 PM



Rita, Margaret and husband, Albert

margaret/albert holloway - January 12, 2011 at 08:55 PM



We remember this night...one of many great times.....Rita, Margaret and Albert

Margaret Halfyard-Holloway - January 12, 2011 at 10:56 PM