



## Christine Palko

April 14, 1941 - April 12, 2012

Christine E. Palko, age 70, of Harriman passed away Thursday, April 12, 2012 at Roane Medical Center. She was a very active member of the Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church and was retired from St. Mary's Hospital in Knoxville after serving 36 years as a medical technologist. She was a very loving aunt/great aunt to her many nieces/great nieces and nephews/great nephews.

Preceded in death by parents, Andrew Peter and Elizabeth Margaret Ryski Palko.

Survivors:

Brother: Christopher Palko (Rose) of Harriman

Nieces: Eileen Bunch (Kevin) of Jacksboro  
Kathy Thurmond (Phillip) of Manchester

Nephew: Scott Palko (Patty) of Knoxville

Great Nieces: Brittany Smith  
Savannah Bunch  
Colleen Thurmond

Great Nephews: Tanner, Braeden & Colby Thurmond  
Brendan Palko

Funeral services will be held Sunday, April 15, 2012, 2:00 p.m., at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church with Fr. Michael Sweeney officiating. Interment will follow in Palko Cemetery. The family will receive friends on Sunday, April 15, from 12:30 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church. Kyker Funeral Home in Harriman is in charge of arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

TC

“ RIP.....RIP.....

Tanner Thurmond - manchester, TN - great aunt christine - July 12, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ we love are great aunt christine she was a loving caring sweet hearted great aunt but she was lots more than that we all miss her but god said it was time.....RIP

Colleen Thurmond - manchester, TN - great aunt christine - July 11, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CC

“ i love christine, she was sweet and nice to eveybody. but it was time god said

colby thurmond - manchester, TN - great aunt christine - June 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

RJ

“ So very sorry to hear about Ms Palko's death...I worked with her years ago at Roane Medical,she was a great nurse and a great lady....Always had a smile on her face...My thoughts and prayers go out to the family and friends during this difficult time.

Renee Johnston - April 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ I was so sorry and shocked to hear of Christine's death. I worked many years with her at St. Mary's. I will always remember her as a very caring and loving person. My condolences to her family.

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**Edy Russell - Knoxville, TN - Friend** - April 18, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ To the family of Cristine:  
I have lost a good friend at Christine's passing. I had worked iwth her for a long time. She, Carmen ,Joan and Neil were a great team. She was a good tech and a hard worker. i will never forget the good times we all (anne,charlotte,joyce,marylynn and the rest of the gang had. She will be missed. Keep her memories close to your heart and she will always be with you.

*in prayers and sympathy,  
jane cupp,  
st.mary;s outpatient laboratory*

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**jane cupp - knoxville, TN - friend** - April 16, 2012 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ I will miss knowing Christine is no longer in Harriman. She was such a shy, sweet and smart girl who always sat near me in school as we were "P's" . She was a blessing to many I am sure through her work in the medical field. I know she has great rewards waiting for her. It was a pleasure to have travelled part of lifes pathways with her. Rest in peace Christine.  
Carolyn Potter Edwards

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**Carolyn Potter Edwards - Lexington, KY, KY - High School friend** - April 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ I worked with Christine at St. Mary's and will miss her. She was always so nice to me and to others. My condolences to her family.

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**Martha Harkins - Knoxville, TN - coworker and friend - April 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

AC

“ I enjoyed having Christine come to Ohio with her brother in October 2011. I will always remember this as a special time.

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**Alex Ryski and family - Grafton , OH - cousin - April 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

MF

“ I am honored to have known Chris as a friend. We worked together at St Mary's Lab for 26 years. We shared some good times taking Senior trips.

*I will miss our friendship because Chris was special. Thomas Jefferson once wrote that "Friendship is precious, not only in the shade, but in the sunshine of life." With heartfelt sympathy to all the family in your loss*

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**Mary Lynn Geisler - TN - Friend - April 15, 2012 at 12:00 AM**

EC

“ During the many years I have known Christine she has always been such a sweet person. As a grammer and high school classmate and neighbor she was shy but friendly and very mannerly. I am so happy that I got to spend some time with her during the planning of our "50th high school reunion" 3 yrs ago. It makes me sad that she has left us too soon and that she did not get to enjoy her beautiful new house that she had worked so hard for and was so proud of very long, But GOD knows best and needed another angel. RIP Christine and I love and will miss seeing you. your friend and classmate-Eva June Brock Bullens2

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**Eva June Brock Bullens - Harriman, TN - Friend and classmate** - April 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ I was shocked to hear of Christine's death; I just saw her on Easter Sunday.  
How quickly our lives change!! I have known Christine since our youth in the old church on Margrave St. Always, always she greeted us with a smile.  
I am confident that she is in Heaven with the Palkos who went before her.

Fondly,  
Louise

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**Louise Shipwash - Harriman, TN - friend** - April 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ Christine was a sweet and dear friend in high school. We had renewed our friendship during the planning of our 50th reunion and talked of visiting more often since she moved back to Harriman. Wish we could have had more time. She will be missed by all, but know that she is in God's hands now. She is one of his angels now watching over her family and friends.

*Phyllis Lovin Mayton*

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**Phyllis Lovin Mayton - Kingston, TN - 1959 Classmate** - April 14, 2012 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Christine was always a joy to be around. I loved it when she was able to come up to my parents home with her cousin Katie Malenovsky. We had a lot of fun then. I'm so sorry that she has left us for awhile but I know I will see her again in Heaven.

*I Love You Christine!*

*Lisa Seymour Jones*

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**Lisa Jones - Lancaster, OH - Cousin once removed** - April 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ I worked with Christine for several years in the lab at St Mary's. She was always so kind and considerate to her co-workers. We have all missed her since she retired and moved away. My condolences to her family.

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**Jennifer Hunt - Knoxville, TN - Friend and Co-Worker** - April 13, 2012 at 12:00 AM