



Lesha LaRae Gillard

February 18, 1962 - May 1, 2013

Lesha LaRae Gillard, 51 of Columbus formerly of Zanesville, died 11:00 AM Wednesday, May 1, 2013 at Genesis Morrison House Hospice of Zanesville after a long illness. She was born Sunday, February 18, 1962 in Zanesville the daughter of James Gillard and Katherine (Duling) Clark. In addition to her parents she was survived by her Fiancé' Bennie Moon of Columbus, one brother, Raynard Gillard and Kimberly of Zanesville; three sisters, Ginita Kirksey and husband Derek of Reynoldsburg, Zaire Clark and Kwame Clark both of Zanesville; several aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, cousins and many special friends. She was preceded in death by one brother Frank Harris. She was a Christian by faith. A memorial Service will be held 11 AM on Wednesday, May 8, 2013 at Wings of Hope Tabernacle, 709 Lee St. Zanesville with Rev. Terry Newman officiating. At her request she will be cremated. Arrangements are being handled by the Hillis, Combs & Nestor Funeral Home, 935 Forest Ave. Zanesville Ohio. To sign the online register book or to send a personal condolence note please visit www.hilliscombsnestor.com

Tribute Wall



“ *Lesha LaRae Gillard*

October 06, 2023 at 04:22 AM



“ *Patricia Chandler sent a virtual gift in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Patricia Chandler - May 12, 2013 at 07:25 PM



“ *Lesha La Rae Gillard I picked this candle cause the color is just as stylish & beautiful as u are my love! Rest In Peace gorgeous!*



Patricia Chandler - May 12, 2013 at 07:21 PM

PC

“ This is a very hard time for me concerning Lesha LaRae Gillard's death..cause my sister Tina died of cancer on Febuary, 2011 & her birthday is May2nd. day after Lesha's death, I took it hard because of Lesha being a friend & a family member as well.Loosing a sibling or a love one is very hard. I just want to say to the family of Lesha, I'm very sorry for your lost. I just went though the same thing with my sister Tina & to kate Duling the mother of Lesha I love you so very much, there's not enough words to describe how I'm feeling concerning the families lost. Except I pray the Lord gives you strength to carry on..cause right now to this day I miss my sister & my mom misses her daughter, so to momma Kate & Zaire, Ginita aka (Weenie)my girl & Kawme & Ray & family please know my heart & love goes out to each of you & know I'm here if you need me! Lesha was a very stylish loving caring beautiful woman who always kept her head held high. & know this Heaven has gained another beautiful Angel..& I will never ever forget you Lesha..ur love & ur beautiful style you always carried will linger on in life! though her sister Zaire. who reminds me so much of Lesha & how she had such an unique style about herself. She left this earth loving her family. When we are leave this earth our love & our spirit stills remain here with our love ones. So I hope & pray each of you find away to carry on in life, that's what Lesha would want you to do. To this day I still have a hard time knowing my sister Tina isn't here,but her memories keep me strong, as I hope Lesha's will do the same for all of you. Lesha LaRae Gillard I love & miss you so very much & I will never forget you & know this I will alway's remember you...Rest In Peace my dear..May God Bless you,,as these tears fall knowing I'm about to close my condolence. But one thing about my closure I know your at rest & in Peace,,,In Heaven.

Patricia Chandler - May 12, 2013 at 07:02 PM

LR

“ *Lisa Rooks lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Lisa Rooks - May 11, 2013 at 06:17 PM

JL

“ *Lesha you'll truly be missed. My condolences go out to Ms. Kate and the family. May God Bless you all. John Largent*



John Largent - May 09, 2013 at 09:01 AM

CL

“ *Cynthia Largent lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Cynthia Largent - May 08, 2013 at 09:11 PM

CL

“ *Rembering Lesha, I remember a woman who was always cool, calm and collected. She dressed just how she felt and her style was just for her. I considered her a friend and shared some fun evenings with her. She will be missed by us all and now may she rest in peace in the arms of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.*

Cynthia Largent - May 08, 2013 at 09:08 PM

AN

“ *AngieBoo lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



AngieBoo - May 08, 2013 at 06:49 PM

WF

Loving and missing you from Washington, DC.

Washington, DC Family - May 08, 2013 at 07:19 PM

AJ

“ *Aunt Judy lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Aunt Judy - May 08, 2013 at 06:24 PM

UR

“ *Uncle Dannyboy & Ruth lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Uncle Dannyboy & Ruth - May 08, 2013 at 06:21 PM

CE

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Carol Edwards - May 08, 2013 at 05:21 PM

CE

“ You've left us too soon. Doesn't seem possible that any of us--of "The Class With Class" should pass on, before our vine yields [all] its fruits. I'm already missing you and so sorry I had not got back to Zanesville sooner. We all will miss you--Carmen, Kim, Doodle, Tammy... ZHS's "Best Dressed and Fearless!" So we'll meet you at that Christian Fountain, at the first trumpet sounding.

We'll be there--talk again and "laugh long", reminiscing about "what and when". It's true, as Jesus reminds and as Paul confirms, (1 Cor. 2 Cor.) "O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory; to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord."

May Gd uplift you Kate, Weenie, Ray, Kuame, Zaire, and family.
Miss and love you all...

--Carol

Carol Edwards - May 08, 2013 at 05:20 PM

MD

“ Dear "Raylight" and family: I am so sorry for your loss and wish you peace and comfort in knowing that our families are forever! Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Sincerely,
Misty Darst-Coffman and family

Misty Darst-Coffman - May 08, 2013 at 04:57 PM

JW

“ Jennie (Wiliburn) Williams lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard



Jennie (Wiliburn) Williams - May 08, 2013 at 12:07 PM

SN

“ Shelia Norris lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard



Shelia Norris - May 08, 2013 at 06:50 AM

SN

Ms. Katie, Kwame, Zaire, and all of the family. My heart and thoughts are with you all during this difficult time. I can only remember how close Lesha and I became in her younger years as she walked Kwame and Zaire nightly as babies around the block in our neighborhood. Lesha always called me "Pub" and with our last conversation via fb on April 26, she was just as pleasant in saying she was fine and to tell my mother she loved her. Lesha was a very loving person and will always be remembered for her smile and kind words. May you rest in peace dear friend. Love Shelia Price-Norris

Shelia Norris - May 08, 2013 at 06:57 AM

CN

“ Christy,td,brittany And Tyce Norman lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard



christy,td,brittany and tyce norman - May 07, 2013 at 10:37 PM

CA

“ Kate and family, May God comfort your hearts.Thoughts and prayers, Carol Alspach-Morris

Carol Alspach-Morris - May 07, 2013 at 08:46 PM

IF

“ Ilan F. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Lesha LaRae Gillard.



Ilan F. - May 07, 2013 at 03:35 PM

G@

“ The Zanesville Esquire Club would like to send our condolence to Kate & the Gillard family in there time of sorrow. Stay strong & God bless.

Gsteele @columbus.rr.com - May 07, 2013 at 02:48 PM

LH

“ *Kate & Family,*

May God comfort you as only He can at this time. Our hearts, love and prayers are forever with you. We, as your family, want you to know that we are here for you.

*God bless and Much love,
Harris Twins (Esther & Liz)
Uncle Dickie
Uncle Daniel.*

Liz Harris - May 07, 2013 at 09:52 AM

KM

“ *Kim M. Martin lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Kim M. Martin - May 07, 2013 at 07:17 AM

MC

“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you during this difficult time.
Tom & Missy Cromwell*

Missy Cromwell - May 06, 2013 at 05:43 PM

TZ

“ *Kate, sorry for your loss. I will pray for your family that God will wrap his arms around each and every one of you and help you through this time.*

Ted Zakany Sr.

Ted Zakany - May 06, 2013 at 11:11 AM

SB

“ *Staci Burrell lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Staci Burrell - May 06, 2013 at 10:29 AM

JB

“ *I met Lesha in 7th grade, she made me laugh alot. had a wonderful smile. Sorry for your loss. She will be missed. John Bryson*

john bryson - May 06, 2013 at 09:28 AM

LR

“ *To Lesha family, I;m sorry for your lost my God keep you in his loving arms. Loretta [Hale] Rogers.*

Loretta [Hale] Rogers] - May 06, 2013 at 09:07 AM

ST

“ *My heart aches. I am so very sorry. Babs, Cynn timer and Myles*

Stephanie - May 06, 2013 at 07:25 AM

GJ

“ *Geraldine Johnson lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Geraldine Johnson - May 05, 2013 at 10:36 PM

GF

In our thoughts and prayers, Geraldine Johnson and family

Geraldine Johnson and family - May 05, 2013 at 10:39 PM

NA

“ *God rest Lesha's soul. Praying for God's peace and presence during this difficult time. Love, Nancy Edwards-Grady*

nancy - May 05, 2013 at 08:01 PM

TB

“ *Lesha was such a classy dresser, she was also a classy person in her life and she truly did love the Lord and I believe he made her suffering easy on her because he was waiting to welcome this angel in heaven, I hope I live the life she did so that we will meet again.*

Tammy Barnett

Tammy Barnett - May 05, 2013 at 07:26 PM

JS

“ *Jeannie Stewart , and Laine ,Capri and Montoya Chandler*



jeannie stewart - May 05, 2013 at 06:00 PM

MD

“ You we're always a light of sunshine on the darkest days and you will truly be missed by all who knew you! I smile with the thought that you are now in Heaven shinning even brighter! Love for you always your friend
Melodie Dickinson



Melodie Dickinson - May 05, 2013 at 04:07 PM

SG

“ My beautiful niece. Although I had only known you for the past 16 years, it has been a joy and a pleasure. Your suffering ended, and God took you home. May the Angels in heaven dance upon your arrival. I will miss you dearly. Luv U, Aunt Stacy.



Stacy Grant - May 05, 2013 at 01:43 PM

MR

“ Melanie (Morgan) Ray sent a virtual gift in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard

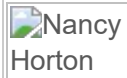


Melanie (Morgan) Ray - May 05, 2013 at 01:36 PM

MR

Lesha has been lifted to heaven on the wings of a dove. Thoughts and prayers to the family

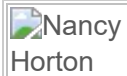
Melanie (Morgan) Ray - May 05, 2013 at 01:42 PM



“ *Nancy Horton lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Nancy Horton - May 05, 2013 at 12:13 PM



“ *I'm so sorry for the Family's loss~May God wrap His arms around everyone and help keep you strong during this difficult time...*

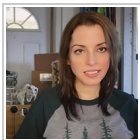
Nancy Horton - May 05, 2013 at 12:04 PM



“ *Ilan Fong lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Ilan Fong - May 05, 2013 at 11:23 AM



“ *Emmy Oscarlewis lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Emmy Oscarlewis - May 05, 2013 at 11:10 AM

PF

“ TO ALL THE FAMILY SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS,, GOD BLESS PATTY FERGUSON ,,FOWLER



PATTY FERGUSON,FOWLER - May 05, 2013 at 08:36 AM

RD

“ Rosalind Moone Darby lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard



Rosalind Moone Darby - May 05, 2013 at 07:51 AM

SF

“ Scipio Family lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard



scipio family - May 05, 2013 at 06:34 AM

TG

“ Tonya L. Gaiters lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard



Tonya L. Gaiters - May 05, 2013 at 05:59 AM



“ *Phyllis (fowler)murgatroyd lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



phyllis (fowler)murgatroyd - May 05, 2013 at 05:20 AM



“ *Aunt Kate and family.... I love you all. Lesha was my protector, my family and my friend. I missed out on truly knowing her into adulthood but the love in my heart for her never faltered. She will be missed and I know God blessed me 51 years ago to make her my family. My heart is broken for us left behind but she is resting. Our Angel. She is going to meet family now. She is not alone. Love forever, Tammy.*

Tamara Renfrow - May 05, 2013 at 12:32 AM



“ *Tamara Renfrow sent a virtual gift in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Tamara Renfrow - May 05, 2013 at 12:20 AM



“ *Deborah Lett And Family lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Deborah Lett and Family - May 04, 2013 at 11:15 PM

KA

“ *Kam lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



kam - May 04, 2013 at 10:40 PM

Anna
Kosiarz

“ *Anna Kosiarz lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



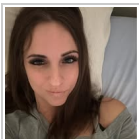
Anna Kosiarz - May 04, 2013 at 10:02 PM

DD

“ *Debbie Dalton lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Debbie Dalton - May 04, 2013 at 09:59 PM



“ *Amber Stemen lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Amber Stemen - May 04, 2013 at 09:29 PM

LP

“ *Lindsay Puryear lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Lindsay Puryear - May 04, 2013 at 09:29 PM

EC

“ *Emmy Clayton*



Emmy Clayton - May 04, 2013 at 09:10 PM



“ *Jeremiah Wilson lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Jeremiah Wilson - May 04, 2013 at 09:05 PM

LB

“ *Lynn Burke lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Lynn Burke - May 04, 2013 at 08:26 PM

FG

“ *Francine Goins lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Francine Goins - May 04, 2013 at 08:07 PM

CE

“ *Christie Evans lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Christie Evans - May 04, 2013 at 07:52 PM

CN

“ *We got to know each other when she began teasing me about the way I danced on the ZHS drill team. After graduating, I had the pleasure of running into her on several occasions, and we had a great time "catching up". A nice, funny, and beautiful lady! Prayers to her family.*

Carol Nutter

carol nutter - May 04, 2013 at 07:11 PM

TS

“ *Tamara Spraggins lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Tamara Spraggins - May 04, 2013 at 07:07 PM

DM

“ *Dianna Mayle-Keith lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Dianna Mayle-Keith - May 04, 2013 at 07:04 PM

KT

“ *Kathy Thomas lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



kathy thomas - May 04, 2013 at 06:32 PM

TC

“ *Tracy Charlton lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Tracy Charlton - May 04, 2013 at 06:16 PM

KB

“ *Kenny And Joyce Betts lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



kenny and joyce betts - May 04, 2013 at 05:57 PM



“ *Felicia Ann lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Felicia Ann - May 04, 2013 at 05:39 PM



R.I.P. with the heavenly Father, Lesha

Felicia Ann - May 04, 2013 at 05:40 PM

BU

“ *Bunkie lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Bunkie - May 04, 2013 at 05:37 PM

CH

“ *RIH to a Very Classy woman, will be missed...love ya girl, see you soon.*

Cherie - May 04, 2013 at 05:34 PM

DH

“ *Debbie Hodge lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Debbie Hodge - May 04, 2013 at 05:33 PM

BS

“ *Becky Stevens lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Becky Stevens - May 04, 2013 at 05:32 PM

CH

“ *Cherie lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Cherie - May 04, 2013 at 05:32 PM

 Linda Puryear

“ *Linda Puryear lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Linda Puryear - May 04, 2013 at 05:28 PM

EM

“ *Erin Brown Mitchell & Family*



Erin Mitchell - May 04, 2013 at 05:22 PM

EC

“ *ELLA CROSTON lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



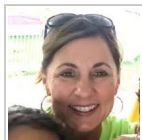
ELLA CROSTON - May 04, 2013 at 05:20 PM

SD

“ *Stephanie Darby-Braxton lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Stephanie Darby-Braxton - May 04, 2013 at 05:06 PM



“ *Tammy Harris lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Tammy Harris - May 04, 2013 at 05:00 PM

TS

“ *Tammy Morrison Scott lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Tammy Morrison Scott - May 04, 2013 at 04:38 PM



“ You will be deeply missed by all that knew you. You fought the long battle. You are now in god's hand flying with the Angels, until we meet again. RIP Lesha



Jenny Thompsor - May 04, 2013 at 03:58 PM



“ Antonietta Lynum And Family lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard



Antonietta Lynum and Family - May 04, 2013 at 01:31 PM



“ Jamie Thomas And Family lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard



Jamie Thomas and family - May 04, 2013 at 01:03 PM



“ Traig Hodge lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard



Traig Hodge - May 04, 2013 at 01:03 PM

MD

“ *Misty Ddalton lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Misty Ddalton - May 04, 2013 at 09:57 AM

JB

“ *Jane Boggs lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



jane boggs - May 04, 2013 at 09:31 AM

RG

“ *Robbie Gaiters lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Robbie Gaiters - May 04, 2013 at 05:27 AM

CM

“ *Cheryl Morgan lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Cheryl Morgan - May 04, 2013 at 01:02 AM

EH

“ *Erin Hollins lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Erin Hollins - May 03, 2013 at 10:43 PM

SA

“ *Saundtaedwards lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



saundtaedwards - May 03, 2013 at 10:16 PM

GR

“ *You were truly one in a million Lesha! You fought the good fight the last few years-- may you now RIP my friend....*

Gail Riehl - May 03, 2013 at 08:07 PM

DS

“ *Daivid Strickland lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Daivid Strickland - May 03, 2013 at 06:34 PM

Tina
McKinnie

“ Tina McKinnie lit a candle in memory of
Lesha LaRae Gillard



Tina McKinnie - May 03, 2013 at 05:48 PM

CS

“ Cheryl Strickland lit a candle in memory of
Lesha LaRae Gillard



cheryl strickland - May 03, 2013 at 05:41 PM

CQ

“ Connie Quarles lit a candle in memory of
Lesha LaRae Gillard



Connie Quarles - May 03, 2013 at 04:13 PM

CE

“ Carol Edwards lit a candle in memory of
Lesha LaRae Gillard



Carol Edwards - May 03, 2013 at 02:17 PM

KW

“ *Kim Ware lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Kim Ware - May 03, 2013 at 01:44 PM

SS

“ *Sikia Stevens lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Sikia Stevens - May 03, 2013 at 01:30 PM

BP

“ *Kate and family, I am so sorry to hear your loss, what a great loss such a beautiful person I know her and Jackie are having fun in heaven Love you all and my God bless you and family.*



Beverly Puryear - May 03, 2013 at 12:32 PM

GS

“ *Glenna Simon lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Glenna Simon - May 03, 2013 at 12:18 PM

JG

“ KATE, LESHA'S FAMILY AND DEAR FRIENDS.....I AM SO DEEPLY SADDEN TO HEAR OF THE LOSS OF YOUR DAUGHTER. LESHA IS A SPECIAL KIND OF PERSON. I NEVER HEARD HER SAY A NEGATIVE THING ABOUT ANYONE. ALWAYS HAD THAT BEAUTIFUL SMILE AND TWINKLE IN HER EYES. I REMEMBER HER INCREDIBLE STYLE. THERE WAS NOTHING THAT SHE WOULD PUT ON THAT DIDN'T LOOK LIKE SHE JUST STEPPED OUT OF A FASHION MAGAZINE. WHEN I WAS WORKING IN THE SALON SHE WOULD CALL AND ASK ME IF I WANTED HER TO BRING ME A STEAK SANDWICH...I ALWAYS SAID YES! KATE I LOVE YOU, LESAH, YOUR KIDS, AND YOUR ENTIRE FAMILY. LESHA WILL BE MISSED. YOU ARE IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS. MAY GOD BLESS AND KEEP YOU DURING THIS TRYING TIME. JOYCE AND FAMILY.

Joyce Gaiters-Henderson - May 03, 2013 at 11:20 AM

DC

“ 6 files added to the album New Album Name



Dawn L. Cox - May 03, 2013 at 10:53 AM

DC

Lesha, the true "Fashion-ista." Thanks for the laughter and making our volleyball losses as much fun as our wins. The bus trips, putting the "smack down" at Mickey D's and pretending to be Natalie Cole! It truly was a pleasure knowing you.

God's peace and love to the family.

Dawn

Dawn L. Cox - May 03, 2013 at 11:06 AM

LS

“ *Lance, Kim, Lance & Craig Smith lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Lance, Kim, Lance & Craig Smith - May 03, 2013 at 09:30 AM

SB

“ *Sara Brown lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Sara Brown - May 03, 2013 at 09:16 AM

TH

“ *Tracey Hale lit a candle in memory of Lesha LaRae Gillard*



Tracey Hale - May 03, 2013 at 08:53 AM

TH

Lesh was one of my dearest friends in this world. Because our MOM'S were best friends we grew up together and the times that she, Tammy and I spent together I will always remember. Lesh and Tammy taught me how to cuss. Not that I didn't know how but they helped me get better at it and the pack between us was sealed for life. Even though we didn't see each other often after we left the ville and continued our life, when we did see each other you could not slapped the smiles from our faces and then we went back to those days and what we were doing now. God I will miss this woman, who has been my friend and made me laugh. I will look up today because I know you are angel in training but you will get your wings...Love you Trace

Tracey Hale - May 03, 2013 at 09:01 AM

GS

“ I've known Lesha since kindergarten and was so glad to see her at our class reunion three years ago, as were all of her classmates. I remember she did her own thing before it became cool - with her nose pierce and arm full of bangle bracelets that banged on the desk as she worked! I remember she was a lefty and I was always intrigued as she basically wrote upside down!! To her family I am sorry for your loss and know that she will always be remembered as a special person.

Gayle Barrett Steil

gayle steil - May 03, 2013 at 08:01 AM

SS

“ To the Family and Friends of Lesha LaRae Gillard,
My condolences. From my heart I offer words of comfort:

The LORD is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge. He is my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

*Love you all,
Sonny Spencer*



Sonny Spencer - May 03, 2013 at 07:51 AM

KS

“ *Kim and Terry Saunders and family*



kim saunders - May 03, 2013 at 01:12 AM

VN

“ *Lesha thank you for the kind, generous woman you are. Thank you for touching the lives of so many! You can rest now and from above look down on the many you cared for, loved and nurtured. Thank you for the privilege of knowing you...*



Vicki Newman - May 02, 2013 at 04:46 PM