



## Sally H. Durkee

April 30, 1937 - July 16, 2010

My mother...

Sally H. Durkee of Wellington, Colorado passed away from a short illness on July 16, 2010 at Poudre Valley Hospital. Sally was born April 30, 1937 in Jensen Beach, Florida. No viewing is planned and the memorial service will be held at a later date in Jensen Beach, Florida. Her remains will be spread along with her two sons at the same location her sister was memorialized. Sally graduated from Martin County High in Stuart, FL in 1954 and Massey Business College, Jacksonville, FL Sally was Baptist and served as a Sunday school teacher for many years. She served as a den mother for the Boy Scouts of America for 1967-69. Sally was a devoted housewife and mother, then joined the workforce at GMAC in West Palm Beach, FL; Regina Products; Ball Brothers Research Corp in Boulder, CO and then retired from Seacoast Utilities in Palm Beach Gardens. Surviving family members are Danna Durkee-Varnell, daughter; her son-in-law Steve Varnell; two nieces and four nephews. Pre-deceased include her parents, two sisters, one brother and her two sons. Memorial services are planned for a later date in Jensen Beach, Florida

A Mother Making a decision to have a child - it's momentous. It is to decide forever to have your heart go walking around outside your body. ~ Elizabeth Stone

If I should ever leave you, whom I love  
To go along the Silent Way, grieve not.  
Nor speak of me with tears, but laugh and talk of me as if I were beside you there.  
I'd come - I'd come, could I but find a way!  
But would not tears and grief be barriers?  
And when you hear a song or see a bird I

loved, please do not let the thought of me be sad... for I am loving you just as I always have. You were so good to me! There are so many things I wanted still to do, so many things I say to you... Remember that I did not fear... It was just leaving you that was so hard to face... We cannot see beyond, but this I know: I loved you so - 'twas heaven here with you! ~author unknown

# Tribute Wall

DD

“ Lisa, thank you for your kind words. I'd love to catch up with you too. Please email me @ [dannavarnell@hotmail.com](mailto:dannavarnell@hotmail.com)

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**Danna Durkee-Varnell** - December 04, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Dear Danna, Was looking up old friends and came across your moms obit. I am so sorry for your loss. She was such a beautiful person inside and out. I would love to correspond with you and catch up. Drop me a line when you can would love to hear from you. Take care . Lisa

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**Lisa DeCesare Shepherd** - November 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ I am so saddened for the loss of my best friend's mother. The family has suffered such terrible loss in the last few years. I wish there was something that I/we could do for dear Danna. My heart is heavy.

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**Claire** - September 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ I miss you Momma.

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**Danna** - September 13, 2010 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ I am so sorry to hear the news about Sally. I worked with your Mom at Seacoast many years ago. She was a great lady and she will be missed dearly. My prayers are with you and the family.

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**Tracy Lawson Reynolds** - August 02, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DZ

“ I didn't know Sally very long, but she is the mother of one of my dearest friends Danna. We may have lost touch through the years, but I have never forgotten her or Sally! You see, Sally married my husband and I in 1988 in Stuart , FL. I have pictures of all of us and I will treasure them forever. Sally, you are in my prayers, and I know that you will always be by Danna's side to protect her and guide her through life.

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**Dawn Zuluaga** - July 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you, Danna. It didn't take me long to realize what an amazing and strong woman your mom was. I truly believe she is with your brothers now.

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**Patty Cahill** - July 30, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LG

“ My heart goes out to you during this time. Sally was a treasure and will be missed

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**linda r garcia** - July 29, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CJ

“ My Heart goes out to you,I will have you in my Prayers. The Basket Ball Games we attended,were such a Great Time, Centaurus was so Great!! these were and still are at the top of the List.

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**Carmella Jones** - July 28, 2010 at 12:00 AM

AR

“ Sally was here at seacoast when I was hired. Sally was the first to call when I was concerned about anything. Sally always found time to ask how I was doing where ever we were. Sally was the quiet & concerned Team member. I'll never forget her!- see you again Sally.

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**Anthony R.Bozzo** - July 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ I give you my prayers during this time of need. Sally was a true treasure and I enjoyed the times we spent talking and the good advise she gave so easily.

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**Linda Henrion** - July 27, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Danna, You are in my prayers and thoughts. I worked with your Mother at Wal-Mart in Stuart. Everytime we worked together we had alot of fun. Sally was a great person and I am a better person from knowing her.

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**Marvene Ginter Carroll** - July 25, 2010 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ Individuals of Sally's elegance and intellect are rare, so having the opportunity to know and work with her was a unique privilege. We have not, nor will we ever forget what she meant to us. Heartfelt condolences to her family and closest friends, and thank you for sharing her with our Seacoast family for so many years. Rim Bishop  
Seacoast Utility Authority

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**Rim Bishop** - July 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

CT

“ Dear Danna, My heart goes out to you. I loved Sally. She was a real inspiration to me. She was always a true friend and I miss her dearly. Many times I thought of your Mom often and wanted to see her again. Years go by and then its to late, I guess that's why you need to act on your thoughts, I should have gotten a hold of your Mom. Just know she will always be in my thoughts. I will never forget her. I'll remember all the all the special times we had. Like going to the baseball game and our little talks. How I loved her! I know she is in complete comfort in Jesus loving arms. She's in heaven for sure! God Bless

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**Cheryl Troup** - July 23, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ I worked with Sally at Seacoast Utilities for several years back in the early nineties. She was a deeply loyal employee and a good friend. She will be deeply missed. Our thoughts and prayers are with her dear family. Michael & Betty Anderson Palatka, FL

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**Dr. Michael Anderson** - July 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

GL

“ I admired your Mom from the 1st time I met her @ SUA. She was always so kind to me & over the yrs felt we became trusted friends. I had so much respect for this special lady. Am so sorry for your loss, Dana, but know that your Mom has left many wonderful memories behind. I loved the story about your Grandpa & River Walk in Texas. Ginny Lothian retired Seacoast employee

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**Ginny Lothian** - July 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

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*“ To all of my mothers wonderful friends, please email me your contact information so I can keep you informed of when and where her services will be held in Jensen Beach in a few months. danna.varnell@penton.com or dannavarnell@hotmail.com I truly have enjoyed reading about your memories of her. She thought so much of each of you as she has spoken about you all for years. She sure missed you!*

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**Danna Durkee-Varnell** - July 22, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SB

*“ Danna, My heart goes out to you, as do my thoughts and prayers. Your Mom has given so much to this life and this world, especially in giving us all you. I love you, and am always here for you. Shay*

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**Shay Black** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

LP

*“ My name is Linda Phillips, I worked with Sally at Seacoast Utilities in PBG, FL for several years. A wonderful person and a true lady. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.*

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**Linda Phillips** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DG

“ I worked with Sally at Seacoast Utilities in Palm Beach Gardens for many years. She was a a special lady. I remember how much she loved her kids. Goodbye Sally

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**Dee Giles** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SL

“ Danna, I'm so sorry to hear about your Mother. I only knew her through you but knowing you and what a wonderful person you are I'm sure she was a terrific lady. God Bless!

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**Sandy Lafreniere** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ To decribe Sally I could simply say she was a remarkable lady. Always ready to lend a smile, an ear, or a shoulder. She always made you feel like you were family, not just a visitor. May you rest in peace Sally. Danna I am so sorry for the loss of your momma and best friend. Please know that I am here for you.

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**Sue Funicello** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

MS

“ I am so sorry to hear of Sally's passing. I've been thinking about her lately and wondering how she is. God must have put her on my heart at this time. I worked with Sally at Seacoast for many years and she was sorely missed when she left!! My sincere condolences to her family.

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**Mary Ann Stiles** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ I worked with Sally for many years at Seacoast. She was dear, sweet person. My deepest condolences go out to you and your family at this time of sorrow. May God Bless You. June Purrington  
North Palm Beach

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**June Purrington** - July 21, 2010 at 12:00 AM

DV

“ I miss you Momma.

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**Danna Varnell** - July 20, 2010 at 12:00 AM