



## **E'LAN NEAL**

April 26, 1974 - January 14, 2015

E'lan Neal, 40, passed away Wednesday, January 14, 2015.

She was a member of St Stephen Baptist Church, and a manager for Olive Garden Restaurant in Evansville, IN.

E'lan was preceded in death by her father Sterling O. Neal Jr.

She is survived by her mother, Emma Neal; grandmother, Katherine Johnson; sisters, Elayne Neal and Eboni Neal Cochran (John); brother, Sterling O. Neal III; nephew, Kai Cochran, and a host of aunts, uncles, family and friends.

Visitation: 10 am -12 pm, Wednesday, January 21, 2015 at her church, 1018 s. 15th Street, with the funeral service to follow at noon, burial in Highland Memory Cemetery.

Arrangements entrusted to A. D. Porter & Sons, 1300 w. Chestnut St.

# Tribute Wall

BD

“ I'm so sorry for your loss Eboni. You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during this time.

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**Beverly Duncan** - January 28, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ Emma,  
My sincere thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time. I pray for your strenght during the coming days. Our God always supplies our needs!  
Love, Bobbie

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**Bobbie Green** - January 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ On behalf of the Hogan family, We are so sorry for your loss. I was so shocked to hear about the passing of E'IAN. We are praying for the Neal family. We prayed that God will give you stength.

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**A friendJan** - January 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ Offering My Prayers to you and your family in your time of need.

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**Schannon** - January 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ On Behalf of the Ellis Family, we are very sorry for your loss. We pray God's comfort and peace during this time. Kimberly Ellis Cox

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**A friendJan** - January 21, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ So sorry to hear of the passing of E'lan. I pray that God will bless all of you and keep you and give you peace.

Kathy Moore Cowan - January 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ We wish the Neal family strength and faith as you celebrate the life and memory of E'lan. May God comfort you as you grieve. She will be greatly missed. Eric and Nomsa

January 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LA

“ My Prayers to You All. May God Give Comfort and Strength. Love You All and Am In Constant Prayer.

Liz Allen - January 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

HO

“ may god lift up this family of such great soldiers in the army of compassion, and give them the strength to move forward in a positive direction..... howard owens

howard owens - January 20, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ My condolences to Emma Neal and Family... Praying for you all during this season, God bless!!!

Roxye Dock - January 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RB

“ TO MY FAMILY I LOVE YOU ALL I WILL ALWAYS KEEP US LIFTED UP IN PRAYER AND THE NEAL FAMILY. TO BE ABSENT FROM THE BODY IS TO BE PRESENT WITH THE LORD.

ROBIN BIGHAM BRENTS - January 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ Neal Family,I never got to meet you ,may the family be strebngthen,for Jesus Is our hope of Glory. Alfred -Evelyn Johnson

A friendJan - January 19, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TJ

“ Emma, you and your family are in my prayers. Heaven needed a flower in its garden and her name is Élan.

Terri Brents Jan - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ may god lift up this family of such great soldiers in the army of compassion,and give them the strength to continue to move forward in a positive direction.

A friendJan - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AG

“ Praying for strength and healing for the family of our Élan. I am so grateful for the time, the laughter and the talks we shared. I love you and know that one day...I will be seeing you again. My heart aches, for the loss of you even though I know you are in Paradise. Love you.

Andi Gonzales - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ To the Neal family sorry to hear of the loss of your love on will be praying for you in this sorrowful time God will take care of you

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**Jeffrey Garrett** - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Our families have been connected for almost fifty years, and the loss of Elan is shared to the utmost. Only the peace of God can fill this loss, and we can count on His promises. We are with you in spirit and in love.

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**Doris Allen** - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

IB

“ Emma, Elayne, Sterling Jr., Eboni and the entire Neal family: Take comfort in your memories, the closeness you shared with E'lan and the love and prayers of friends. Love you All.

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**Inez Brown** - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

WC

“ Emma, I did not know E'Lan personally, but I know you and other family members, so I feel some of your pain as a Mother and Sister friend. I am praying God's comforting power over you all. May you receive His strength as you journey through this time. Much love,  
Sincerely, Wilma R.W. Clayborn

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**Wilma Clayborn** - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KI

“ My best and beloved E'lan, I am so thankful that I had the pleasure of loving and being loved by you... I've been in bed for 5 days crying, thinking, reflecting, reading old texts, looking thru pictures of our trips together... After the tears dried I laughed because your smirk would make me crack up and your childish chuckle was so infectious as soon as you laughed I was soon the follow. You literally spent your entire life helping others... Selflessly sacrificing, and wouldn't allow others to help in return... I prayed so much that the most high would help you, take care of you and keep you. I loved you, love you and will always love you my best friend. Two peas in a pod, the things you did for me I'll never forget, and everything I did for you was a pleasure. You were the most deserving. No one can ever take your place my love, confidant, buddy, pal, road trip partner, netflix couch cuddler, new recipe taste tester, 10 minute sous chef, 3 am phone call answerer / text replier and craft buddy. I love you so much... This hurts so badly. ... Kleenex stock is gonna go up I swear. For a woman who never tasted alcohol or drugs, you were only addicted to 5 things. Loving others, helping others, crafting, Hsn (lol) and inspiring others... I hope if there is any justice in this life that where you are now you are given all that you have given to this world in an unfathomable abundance. To the one person I know that cared enough about me to check on me when I felt forgotten, nursed me back to health when I was sick, and wouldn't allow me to give up on myself or the most minute of my dreams I love you and miss you forever my dearest friend.

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**Kerry LaShawn Hughley II** - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

FM

“ élan was a great person I worked with her since the first day she came to Olive Garden. She aaa always happy no matter what and that beautiful smile she had ways made everyone smile. She will be missed by all the Olive Garden family

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**Fabbie mendoza** - January 18, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ *I'm keeping the family and close friends in my prayers, may peace be with the family.*

Denise Best - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KC

“ *Emmal am praying for and with you. Love you very much!Kevin L. Crittenden*

Kevin Crittenden - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ *Jeannie, I cannot fathom how you and the rest of the family must feel at this time. I have been and continually will be in prayer for you. Stay strong and lean on the everlasting arms of the Father of all comfort. Much love and prayers is sent your way.*

Sheryl Adkins - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RE

“ *Emma, all I can say is that I love you, praying with you and for you.*

Rev - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KE

“ *Our thoughts, prayers and spirit are with the Neal and Cochran family.*

Keith - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JB

“Wow...this is still a shocker to me. First off to the family of this wonderful woman. She touched many lives. Her vessel was amazing. Even though I spent a short time with her at Olive Garden. She was by the far my favorite to work with. She was upbeat and always caught me mid curse word lol. She had to be great to be called so early. Much love to you Élan and your family.

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**Joe Brooks** - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AF

“Good Morning" Elan would say no matter what time of the day, or, night it was. "Have a super fantastic day" "Go and conquer the world of casual fine dining"ELAN had a sincere, kind, gentle, caring and giving spirit. Elan was always singing and dancing and smiling. Elan always had some sort of arts and crafts strung about the OG #1022 in Evansville, Indiana. May God bless her family with strength and peace. Yours In Christ; Cheryl Stremming

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**A friendJan** - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TB

“May the beautiful memories of Elan bring some comfort in this difficult time!

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**Tonia Brock** - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

BT

“I will always remember E'lan. It seems that the years have flown by so quickly, but I remember when she was a very young girl who skillfully mastered sign language and served as a faithful volunteer for the Deaf Ministry of St. Stephen Church. My prayers are with the family. Especially my dear friend, Emma. No words can give you comfort at this time. Just know that I love you all. I'm here if you need me.

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**Barbara Trammell** - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ *Special prayers for the family from a former church family member in Bloomngton, IN. May the Lord comfort you during this time.*

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**Ann Love Jan** - January 17, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *May the love of friends and family carry you through your grief.*

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