



Karen Sue McPhail

July 7, 1944 - June 30, 2020

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We are celebrating the life of Karen Sue McPhail, age 75, of Greensburg. Her journey began on July 7, 1944 and ended June 30, 2020, after a courageous battle against cancer. She passed after a birthday celebration shared with loving family and friends by her side.

Karen was the daughter of the late Neil and Sarah (Isenburg) McPhail, the 3rd of 10 children. She will be united with her parents, the love of her life, Gerald Phillabaum; her Wendy; and four siblings.

She prided herself on her work ethic, including 16 years at New Salem Acres and 14 years as a crossing guard in the city of Greensburg, never missing a day at work crossing her kids.

She will be remembered as a loving mother, grandmother and friend. Karen was a spitfire, the life of the party, never without lipstick and always the lady who hid money to keep it safe and then forgot where it was. She loved cooking for others, playing cards, bingo and hated her picture taken, but had the best smile.

Karen leaves behind four children, Cheri (David) Uhlig, David (Lisa)

Phillabaum, Ricki (Rick) Sterf and Heidi (Mark) Sterf. She is also survived by 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; and 2 great-great-grandchildren. Her two best friends, Donnie Sarsfield and Thelma Matthews; and sister, Sally, supportive of her during her illness.

Per Karen's request, there will be no service. A private celebration of life is planned for a later date. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to your favorite charity in Karen's name.

Tribute Wall



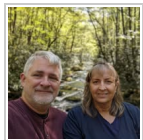
“ *Karen Sue McPhail*

October 09, 2023 at 09:55 AM



“ *Karen Sue McPhail*

October 06, 2023 at 11:36 AM



“ *No words will ever do justice to the impact she had on the lives of those she touched during her earthly journey. What an amazing women.*

Robert Mason - July 10, 2020 at 09:35 PM



“ *Gram, I love you so much! I just keep listening to your voicemails and watching silly videos of us from before you got sick 😞 I'm happy you are in a better place but sad for us down here because we'll miss your face 🥺❤️*

Amber Mefferd - July 07, 2020 at 10:26 AM



“ *Rest with God Karen, you are a true spitfire but a blessing to so many, you will be missed 🙏🕊️*

Terri - July 06, 2020 at 10:12 PM



“ *Beautiful person*

Marie Ruffin - July 02, 2020 at 05:29 PM

RB

“ *She was a good lady always funny always had a great time with her loved her dearly she would surely be missed may God rest her soul*

Robert kuhns “(buca bob)” - July 02, 2020 at 07:23 AM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen Sue McPhail.*



July 02, 2020 at 04:13 AM

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“ *My deepest sympathy. I didn't know her personally, but would wave at her everyday from my bus. I will miss seeing her at the middle school watching over the students.*

BENJAMIN THOMPSON - July 01, 2020 at 09:51 PM

TW

“ *Our prayers are with all of you! A great woman and a wonderful soul, now in her Heavenly home with our Lord and Savior!*



Tammy (Shupp) & Randy Wilson - July 01, 2020 at 09:08 PM



“ *Lovely One Spathiphyllum Plant was purchased for the family of Karen Sue McPhail.*




July 01, 2020 at 08:09 PM



“ *My heart is breaking... I have no words to express the love that I shared for this lady.. Pure and unconditional.. That is all she gave me from the age of 5 when she welcomed me into her home and heart openly.. I had no idea then that it would be a lifetime family friendship.. I had no idea that through relationships family marriages and children.. Generations actually that I would be her forever Chocolate drop! I would be forever loved forever welcomed.. The memories I have Are overwhelming... From loading up in the back of the station wagon for a drive in theatre sleeping outside to her yelling at me not to cross the street yet to her making me pull over in the crosswalk because she hasn't seen me in forever and needed to know I was good. She will join the paradise of lost loved ones resting in Gods arms.. And I will CHERISH my memories of her forever.. RW Karen until we meet again... ❤️😇😭 Cherie, David, Ricki and Heidi I love you all and am praying you comfort during this time of mourning.. God bless and keep you..*

Patricia Stevens - July 01, 2020 at 06:40 PM

 Lisa
Stevens
Burton

“ I am so very sorry for your loss. Mama Karen was always loving, giving, and hilarious!! She was also very welcoming as I spent many days, nights, and weekends at her home with my then friend, Wendy (and Cheri). I have not seen most of them in over 30 years because I left Greensburg as soon as I was done with school. I never returned to live, only to visit for short weekends. I am sorry that I did not get to visit her in my adult years. I know that she has left some beautiful, super funny and outrageous memories for everyone. She was a special kind of spitfire!! I am praying for the family and all who loved her. Rest Well, Mama

Lisa Stevens Burton - Atlanta, Georgia

Lisa Stevens Burton - July 01, 2020 at 06:36 PM