



Karen Beth Graham

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The most faithful band mom, biggest encourager and cheerleader, dedicated church youth group leader, faithful friend, and trustworthy confidant. Karen Beth Graham, 59, of South Point, Ohio, died at St. Mary's Hospital, and went to be with Jesus, on Friday, October 4, 2024. She was born in Huntington, West Virginia, on May 18, 1965, to Ernie and Elaine Earls, of Proctorville, Ohio. Karen grew up on Wolf Creek and attended Symmes Valley High School before going on to earn her Bachelor's Degree from Indiana Wesleyan University. She put that degree to good use in working at the WV DHHR for over a decade, and most recently, as a Program Manager of the Senior Community Service Employment Program at Southwest Community Action Council, Inc., in Huntington, West Virginia. Karen was preceded in death by her father and mother, Ernie and Elaine Earls, and is survived by her children Sarah (Heath) Lafferty, Jacob Graham, Katelyn (David) Bickett, Caleb Graham; her grandchildren, Levi Lafferty, Ellie and Rebekah Bickett, three sisters, Pamela (Edward) Wetmore, Terri Cash, Jackie Ball; four nieces, Heather (Bob) Smethurst, Niccole (Mark) Franklin, Dani (Ryan) Russell, Alex (Chris) Kandrach; one nephew, Christopher Wetmore; eight great nieces and nephews, and a multitude of family and friends. Karen loved her family and friends with an unwavering devotion, always ready to provide what was needed, defend the underdog, pray for you, or point you to scripture, but her favorite role was that as a grandparent. She treasured her time with her grandkids and loved being "Grandma", who would sneak in the extra cookie, blow bubbles anywhere, anytime, and always answer with "absolutely", when asked if she could keep them for a little while. She will always be remembered for making each person she had a conversation with feel valued, heard, and loved. She was a humble servant of the Lord, with a quiet confidence, a quick wit, trivia genius, and a smart aleck remark or raise of the eyebrow, as the occasion called for it. She would not want us to forget that, "If no one has told you lately, I think you're



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amazing". Public visitation is Tuesday, October 8, 2024, from 6:00-8:00pm at Hall Funeral Home in Proctorville, Ohio. The funeral service will be Wednesday, October 9, at 12:00pm, at Hall Funeral Home with graveside service to follow at Spring Valley Memorial Gardens.



Tribute Wall

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MS

Mary Simmons lit a candle in honor of Karen.



October 14 at 8:00 PM



SH

Sonja Hayes lit a candle in honor of Karen.

Prayers for family

October 8 at 8:00 PM



DF

David Frasure lit a candle in honor of Karen.

Ms. Karen was such a special lady with a serving heart. It was an honor to be her pastor when she was a part of Burlington Baptist Church. Terri and I are praying for the family of this precious lady. May God be your strength and refuge in this time of sorrow.

October 7 at 8:00 PM



DT

Donna Taylor lit a candle in honor of Karen.

I am so sorry to hear of Karen's passing. I would see her during meetings at work. One could see the goodness in her actions. Please know that the family is in my prayers. I chose a white candle since white represents purity. Karen was a wonderful person with a pure heart. Donna Taylor

October 7 at 8:00 PM



LW

Latanya Williams lit a candle in honor of Karen.

Condolences to Karen's family and friends. I worked under Karen in the SCSEP Program and I am very truly sorry for your loss.

October 7 at 8:00 PM





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MM

Margaret Meadows lit a candle in honor of Karen.

Karen was an amazing lady. She was always willing to help me in learning new procedures in the SCSEP program. I'm so grateful I got to be a friend and colleague of hers. I send my deepest condolences to all her family and friends. From: Margaret Meadows Participant Assistant in Ky Office SCSEP Mature workers Program

October 7 at 8:00 PM



NF

Nikki Finch lit a candle in honor of Karen.

I worked adjacent to Karen in HR at Southwestern. She was always so kind and warm to everyone she came across. Sending love and comfort to her family, friends, and co-workers. She will be missed!

October 7 at 8:00 PM



BA

Brenda Archer lit a candle in honor of Karen.

Karen had a way about her that made you really feel you could make a difference. She had a tender, sweet and loving soul fed by the Lord's Grace...I will miss you Dear One Brenda Archer (SCAC Worker)

October 6 at 8:00 PM





Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Karen by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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