



Karen L. Spicer

October 18, 1940 - July 4, 2019

Karen Lee Spicer, 78 years of Monroe, passed away suddenly at 4:45 p.m. Thursday, July 4, 2019 after being involved in an accident.

Born October 18, 1940 in Monroe, she was the daughter of the late Alvin and Laura (Dischinger) Kregel. Karen attended Monroe High School, graduating with the class of 1958. She was baptized on November 10, 1940 and confirmed on April 11, 1954 at Holy Ghost Lutheran Church. Karen married her beloved husband, David G. Spicer, on May 7, 1960, also at Holy Ghost Lutheran Church. Sadly, after fifty years of marriage, he preceded her in death on October 2, 2010.

Karen was a giving soul and a passionate Christian. She was lifelong member of Holy Ghost and belonged to its Ladies Aid. She helped with all of the funeral lunches and any events happening at church. Karen also participated in her high school class reunion events.

Karen was famous for her Dutch apple pies and cutout cookies, better known as "grandma's cookies." If you were new to the neighborhood or church, you may have been greeted with one of her wonderful baked goods. Karen had a heart of gold and took great care of all her neighbors. However, her passion was her grandchildren and many children she helped to raise and care for.

Karen was also a many gallon blood donor and has donated her blood since the age of sixteen years old. She was very persuasive at talking all her children and grandchildren into giving blood too. Karen was always wanting to help others in any way she could and expressed the importance of being a donor.

To cherish her memory, Karen leaves two children, Phyllis L. (Jeffrey) Blohm and Bryan D. (JoAnn) Spicer of Monroe; six grandchildren: Tyler Blohm, Joshua Blohm, Aaron Blohm, Nicholas Spicer, Samantha Spicer and Sydney Spicer; a brother, Dale (Bonnie) Kregel; and four nieces and one nephew.

In addition to her parents and husband, she was also preceded in death by her siblings, Kenneth Sievert and Irene Sievert.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Karen's memory are suggested to Holy Ghost Lutheran Church.

Visitation will be held from 2 p.m. until 8 p.m. Tuesday, July 9, 2019, at Bacarella Funeral

Home, 1201 S. Telegraph Road, Monroe, MI, 48161. She will lie in state Wednesday, July 10, 2019 from 10 a.m. until services celebrating her life at 11 a.m. at Holy Ghost Lutheran Church. Rev. Lee Cullen, Jr. Pastor of Holy Ghost Lutheran Church, will officiate. Interment will follow at Gethsemane Cemetery.

Cemetery

Events

Gethsemane Cemetery

3560 Heiss Road
Monroe, MI, 48162

JUL Visitation 02:00PM - 08:00PM

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Bacarella Funeral Home, Inc.

Address: 1201 South Telegraph Road, Monroe, MI, US,
48161

JUL Instate 10:00AM

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Holy Ghost Lutheran Church

3563 Heiss Road, Monroe, MI, US

JUL Funeral Service 11:00AM

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Comments



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen L. Spicer.



July 09, 2019 at 11:31 PM



“ My condolences to Phyllis and Brian and families. I've watched Karen ride her bike all over for most of my life, it's certainly not going to be the same without seeing her. She was such a kind soul. I remember when my husband and I moved back into the area, she brought us a pie, always extending fellowship to new and old neighbors. Now she is reunited with Dave.

Pam (Clark) Farnsworth - July 09, 2019 at 08:34 PM



“ Karen was a special friend of our extended family. We will treasure her warmth and kindness. She even welcomed us in 2014 into her home, her kitchen while in the midst of baking pies with her grandchildren for Holy Ghost Lutheran Church. She was full of joy in serving her Lord and her community. May her memory be eternal.

Sophia Manoulian Kugeares - July 09, 2019 at 01:26 PM



“ Kind wishes to Karen's Family.
Sophia Manoulian Kugeares, Clearwater, FL.

Sophia Manoulian Kugeares - July 09, 2019 at 01:28 PM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Karen L. Spicer.



July 08, 2019 at 03:41 PM



“ Our hearts are filled with sadness upon hearing the news about Karen's passing. Our most sincere condolences go out to you and your family.
John and Brenda Miller

John /Brenda Miller - July 08, 2019 at 03:23 PM



“ Karen's very real caring, compassion, service, humility will continue to inspire and inform in all whom she touched the very presence and grace and love of her Savior, Christ Jesus, and the welcome home hug she has received from Him will be her eternal joy.

We pray that all the written and spoken testimonies of her stature in HGLC and her community will encourage and motivate us all to grow in our love for Jesus and enrich our lives and our discipleship until the great reunion.

With prayers for the consolation of the Holy Ghost and the healing of our Savior, and the sure hands of our Father upon her family and all who were blessed by her.
Mark & Judy Pflug

Mark & Judy Pflug - July 08, 2019 at 11:12 AM



“ I have always thought of Karen as the person who exemplified true Christian values. Selfless, kind and giving - this was Karen. She lived her faith and set the example for all who knew her. Her Father opened His arms for this Precious Little Lamb. Our family was blessed to have known Karen and her family. Mark and Sally

Sally - July 07, 2019 at 06:51 PM



“ Karen was a fun loving, kind, and caring person who worked hard and with love for her church and her neighbors. She will most certainly be missed. Don and I send our love and prayers to all of Karen's family, including her church family.

Don and Nadine

Nadine Maurer - July 08, 2019 at 07:46 PM



“ I, one of the MHS classmates of 1958, will miss her. She was so much fun to be with and ALWAYS came to our meeting with one of her goodies.

Carol Howerton-Dykstra - July 07, 2019 at 06:42 PM



“ Dennis and I want to extend our heartfelt love and sympathy to the whole family along with our prayers. Karen exemplified the love of our Lord. As she entered heaven, we are sure she heard, “Well done thou good and faithful servant.”

Lucie Kuehnlein - July 07, 2019 at 12:52 PM



“ Karen and I went to high school, class Of 1958, we worked at the old Monroe Hospital on Maple Blvd. Then I met my Husband, Jake Kohler and he brought me to Holy Ghost Lutheran church and I met up with Karen and David Spicer. David and Jake played golf together for many years. Karen was a fixture and greeter at HGLS and his presence will be missed greatly!

Roselynn Kohler - July 07, 2019 at 11:43 AM



“ My childhood is full of memories of Aunt Karen. You always made 2 batches of cookie dough so you could eat one while baking the other. As an adult I like to follow her weight loss plan. I will miss her so much.

Chris Kregel - July 06, 2019 at 08:44 PM



“ My daughters and I shared memories of Karen after hearing of her untimely passing, and what wonderful memories they are! She was always an example of the true Christian spirit in action. All who knew her loved her and appreciated her friendship. When I think of who best to model the Christian life after I think of Karen. If we can't be like Mother Theresa, we should strive to be like Karen Spicer. Our deepest sympathy goes out to her family members. Our love, the Tom Gruber Family

Sarah Gruber - July 06, 2019 at 06:22 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen L. Spicer.



July 06, 2019 at 04:05 PM



“ Vaughn Kregel and families purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Karen L. Spicer.



Vaughn Kregel and families - July 06, 2019 at 02:22 PM



“ Prayers for Phyllis, Brian, and all of the family. Karen was so terrifically special! For all the years I can remember she quietly showed her faith by serving others— visiting sick & shut-ins, taking others to run their errands, dutifully helping with family, friends, and church work. She'd literally give you anything she had without your asking—and doing it all without praise. She'll be deeply missed at all Holy Ghost functions (who can forget her tenacity and skill at drumming up support by her phone calls, though they were very brief, “thanks, bye”). Our hearts pain without you here but we know we'll see you again one day when we join you. In the meantime, we know you're safe with the Father and Dave.

Janice Sype - July 06, 2019 at 12:21 PM



“ Bryan and I along with our daughters and their families are praying for your family at this difficult time

Karen - July 06, 2019 at 06:39 PM



“ Karen has been a dear friend for over 60 years. My doorbell would ring and there was Karen on her bike. She died doing what she loved. I'm sure she is on a bike in heaven. You go girl. Love you and miss you already.

Janet Kuehnlein - July 06, 2019 at 11:42 AM



“ Karen was a blessing to me upon moving to Monroe. Soon after we arrived my husband was called to active duty leaving me with 4 little ones. Karen stepped in and said you need to drop Joy and Adam off on Mondays when you take the older 2 to school. Joy and Adam had so much fun at their newly adopted grammas house. They got to play with Karen's grandkids and eat Karen's famous cookies. She holds a special place in my heart.

Robin Mau - July 06, 2019 at 09:51 AM