



Karen Sue Copeland McKibbin

October 8, 1950 - November 24, 2019

Karen Sue Copeland McKibbin, age 69, of Tyler, Texas went to join her Lord and Savior on November 24, 2019. She was born to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Copeland of Warsaw, Indiana on October 8, 1950. Karen had a heart for serving others – most of all, her Lord and Savior. She was a devoted, loving wife to Joe McKibbin Sr. for 52 years. Karen is also survived by her son, Joseph McKibbin II and wife Brandy of Lumberton, Texas; her son, Chad Eric McKibbin and wife Tammy of Athens, Texas; grandson, Jordan McKibbin of Nacagdoches, Texas; her siblings, Jim and Jan Mayer of Warsaw, Indiana, Delores (Dee) Copeland and Jean Rousch of Bourbon, Indiana, James and Teresa Copeland of Waco, Texas, Rex and Carolyn Hoffman of Warsaw, Indiana, Patsy McKibbin of Milford, Indiana; and numerous cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

A Celebration of Life memorial service will be held on Monday, December 2, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. under the direction of Stewart Funeral Home at 7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy. in Tyler with Pastor Chris Legg officiating. A gathering of family and friends will be held one hour prior to the service. A reception will follow, also held at Stewart Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, Karen specifically requested donations be directed to The Hospice of East Texas Foundation, 4111 University Blvd., Tyler, TX 75701 or the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, OK 73123.

On behalf of the entire McKibbin family, we would like to thank the gracious staff of The Hospice of East Texas as well as the doctors and nurses of MD Anderson in Houston, TX and Texas Oncology in Tyler.

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

Stewart Family Funeral Home
7525 Old Jacksonville Hwy
Tyler, TX 75703
(903) 581-2008

Memorial Service

DEC 2. 2:00 PM (CT)

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Reception following service

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Tribute Wall

MO

“ *Mona lit a candle in memory of Karen Sue Copeland McKibbin*



Mona - October 03, 2020 at 02:30 AM

MO

My heart is breaking even though I know that she is with the Lord. I cannot believe it has been almost a year. I miss you Karen!

Mona - October 03, 2020 at 02:35 AM

DB

“ *I knew Karen since elementary school. The one thing that I remember most about her was her smiling face and how it made everyone around her smile too! God bless your family.*

Dot Herron Brumfield - November 28, 2019 at 09:37 AM

MF

“ *Merry Huffer and Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Karen Sue Copeland McKibbin.*



Merry Huffer and Family - November 27, 2019 at 02:58 PM

AC

“ I had to sort through my sweet, sometimes funny, memories of Karen. She was so special to so many. I guess one of my favorite times with her was when she visited me here in Austin a couple of years ago. We always discussed books and movies we enjoyed. I mentioned the movie "Peter Rabbit," which i had taken my young grandson to see. Karen smiled wistfully and said, "I would love to see that movie but I have no little ones to take." So, instead of a day of shopping, we took ourselves to the movie. She loved and laughed and thoroughly enjoyed it, as did I. As I said earlier, Karen was special & I love the quote: "Heaven's gain, our loss."

Angie Campbell

Angie Campbell - November 27, 2019 at 10:05 AM

FS

“ I will never forget Ms. Karen. I was her hairstylist when she lived in Beaumont, TX. She was always very kind and loving to me. She really touched my heart when my husband was going through back surgeries. She worried about me missing work to be with my husband during that time and was so gracious to offer to help in any way she could. I will never forget that! I agree that she had a heart of giving and helping others. She will be loved and missed by many.
Love, Felicia Simmons

felicia simmons - November 26, 2019 at 08:11 PM