



Karen Lee Platt-Reece

June 26, 1946 - December 27, 2018

RICHMOND, Ind. – Karen Lee Platt-Reece, age 72, of Richmond, Indiana, passed away peacefully Thursday, December 27, 2018, at IU Health University Hospital in Indianapolis surrounded by her family.

Born June 26, 1946, in Richmond, Indiana, to Edward Joseph and Dorothy J. Ebeling Stars, Karen was a life-long resident of Richmond and New Paris, Ohio. She graduated from Jefferson High School in 1964 and received her associate's degree from Miami University Hamilton. Karen retired from Alcoa after 32 years and from Hills Pet Nutrition after 10 years and then worked as a customer service representative at Kohl's. She was always in charge and spent her whole life dedicated to her family. Karen was always there for her family and would do anything for them. She loved spending time with her grandchildren, reading, working in her yard, and going out to eat with her many groups of friends. Karen was a former Girl Scout leader and a PTO member at the former C.R. Coblenz School and various other organizations.

Survivors include her husband of 26 years, Gary Wayne Reece; daughter, Kim (Dan) Collignon of Ferdinand, Indiana; sons, Ken (Mandy) Platt of Wilmington, Ohio, and Paul (Sherry) Platt of Fountain City, Indiana; stepson, Bryan Reece of Richmond; multiple grandchildren and great-grandchildren; nieces; nephews; cousins; and many friends.

She was preceded in death by her first husband, Philip Platt; father; mother, Dorothy J. Miller; sister, Judy Combs; and brothers, Mark and Michael Stars.

Visitation for Karen Lee Platt-Reece will be from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Thursday, January 3, 2019, at Doan & Mills Funeral Home, 790 National Road West, Richmond. Funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Friday, January 4, 2019, at Doan & Mills Funeral Home. Burial will be in Spring Lawn Cemetery in New Paris.

Condolences may be sent to the family via the guest book at
www.doanmillsfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery

Events

Spring Lawn Cemetery

New Paris, OH,

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Visitation

03:00PM - 07:00PM

Doan & Mills Funeral Home

790 National Road West, Richmond, IN, US, 47374

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Service

10:00AM - 11:00AM

Doan & Mills Funeral Home

790 National Road West, Richmond, IN, US, 47374

Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Doan & Mills Funeral Home - January 02 at 03:40 PM



“ Gary and Family, I'm so very sorry for your loss. Karen was a great person. I had the opportunity to work with her at Joy Ann Cake Shop and most recently at Kohl's. I enjoyed having her as a friend and co-worker. I absolutely hate that she is no longer with us but she will never be forgotten. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God be with you during this difficult time. Sincerely Melissa Kates and Family

Melissa Hart Kates - January 10 at 07:28 AM



“ Karen loved to see me come with white peaches,Ralph and Diana bays

ralphbays - January 03 at 07:00 PM



“ Karen and I walked together in our graduation from Richmond Senior High School. She was such a kind person - her family was fortunate to have her with them so long!

Karen Chasteen, RHS Class of 1964

Karen Chasteen - January 03 at 06:15 PM



“ 104 files added to the album LifeTributes



Doan & Mills Funeral Home - January 02 at 02:37 PM



“ Daniel Risk lit a candle in memory of Karen Lee Platt-Reece



Daniel Risk - December 30, 2018 at 07:19 PM



“ Karen was one of my very first role models as a child. She was dedicated mother, wife and an outstanding and fun girl scout troop leader. I have so many great memories of meetings in her home and outings in her woody station wagon. My condolences to her family. Thanks for everything Karen

Shannon Barker Rexrode - December 30, 2018 at 06:18 PM



“ I remember Karen fondly, with respect and admiration.
Melanie Robert

Melanie Robert - December 30, 2018 at 02:55 PM



“ Paul, It is with a heavy heart I send my condolences on the passing of your mother. My thoughts are with you and your family.

Scott Stevens - December 30, 2018 at 09:59 AM



“ Gary, Kim, Paul, Ken, we are so very sorry for your loss. We loved aunt Karen very much and are grateful for the love and respect she always showed to us. My fondest memory of her will be the day I walked in Grandma Cooks house, and there those two sat, belting out oldies music for all they was worth. She loved all of you so much, and was proud of each and everyone of you. I feel very blessed to have had the privilege to call her "Aunt Karen". Sending all of you, love, prayers, and many thoughts.



Chasity Alvarez - December 29, 2018 at 01:38 PM



“ Grandma Sandy and families purchased the Fruit Abounds for the family of Karen Lee Platt-Reece.



Grandma Sandy and families - December 29, 2018 at 10:50 AM



“ Sandra Collignon & families purchased the Garden Accent Stone - 'Wherever a beautiful soul...' for the family of Karen Lee Platt-Reece.



Sandra Collignon & families - December 29, 2018 at 10:44 AM



“ To Gary, Kim, Ken and Paul, Grandchildren,
Karen was such a fun, jolly person, with a special giggle, Always smiling, Happy, an angel to sister Judy, and her Mother, a great caregiver, could keep all children entertained. So Sorry for her passing. We will all miss her. Prayers for your loss.

Sandra Collignon - December 28, 2018 at 11:43 PM



“ I first met Karen as a girl scout leader in New Paris. I learned way back then what a generous person she was. I watched her as she took care of her first husband before his death, with so much love and compassion. Then I saw her take care of her sister Judy throughout her illness. When she worked at Kohl's she set up a program where

they helped us with our activity programs as well as financial help. She always cared about others. Job well done my friend!!! Peace be with you.

Ladonna Tucker

Ladonna Tucker - December 28, 2018 at 10:57 PM



“ I'm truly saddened to hear of Karen's passing. She was a one of a kind person and I really enjoyed working with her at Alcoa. I'm glad to have been friends with her and actually part of the Alcoa family so many good memories of our time together. I always enjoyed crossing paths and catching up with her. I will miss her. My thoughts and prayers are with her family at this time of sorrow.
Love you my friend R.I.P.

Kathy Dudas - December 28, 2018 at 08:27 PM



“ The Platt and Reece families are in my thoughts and prayers!
Angie Blevins Turner

Angie Turner - December 28, 2018 at 08:05 PM



“ Dear Ken and family,
Sending you hugs and prayers.
Janie Pidgeon

Janie Pidgeon - December 28, 2018 at 06:05 PM



“ Thinking of the whole family and praying that your wonderful memories will give you comfort and peace. She was a very special person.

Beverly Notirad Swihart - December 28, 2018 at 04:24 PM



“ Karen had so many endearing qualities that will forever be etched into my heart and mind. Listening to stories about the grandchildren and their activities. Stopping over to swim in the pool and then being invited to stay for dinner. Her ability to see a need and open her home...The Reece reunion, Judy's daycare group or Gary's high school friends. The speed she drove a car which was directly opposite of her ability to decide what to order from a menu. Adventures in restaurants from waiting hours on

service in French Lick, to gambling a little afterwards to needing a doggie bag at the restaurant but having just enough room for a 50 cent McDonald Ice Cream cone on the way home. Being assigned purse duty to make sure she didn't leave it somewhere. Trips to Vegas and Tunica. I'll miss her laugh, her stories and forever be grateful for the life she built with my brother, Gary. Prayers for peace and comfort being sent to her family. Love, Janice

janice mittelkamp - December 28, 2018 at 02:37 PM



“ Ken Kim and Paul I am so sorry for the loss of your mother I have you all in my thoughts and prayers.



Kelly Brinley - December 28, 2018 at 01:56 PM



“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this difficult time.

Whitney Lantz and the Staff of Doan & Mills - December 28, 2018 at 12:11 PM