



Karen H. Morris

December 30, 1943 - October 4, 2020

Karen H. Morris, 76, of Liverpool, passed away peacefully October 4, 2020 at Upstate University Hospital surrounded by her immediate family.

Karen spent her life helping others. She was a very active member of the woman's sorority, Beta Sigma Phi since 1974. As of November 2020 she will have been in sorority for 46 years and has worked her way up to the degree of torchbearer. She was most influential as a member of the General Federation of Women's clubs (GFWC) for over 30 years. Within GFWC she served as NY state president from 2002-2004, she was a member of GFWC Judy's Gems 2004-present, GFWC past President's Club 2004-present, GFWC Middle Atlantic Region, Syracuse Federation Formers. Karen was state convention chairman for Elaine Ko 2000-2002, and for Candace Edwards 2018-2020. She held numerous committee memberships at club, state and international levels.

Her heart positively touched everyone she came in contact with.

Karen had a very generous spirit and spent many hours contributing to the organizations to which she belonged too and to her friends and family. She helped to guide and support the lives of all around her. Karen's caring sensitive heart truly showed with her tremendous love of her immediate and extended family.

She enjoyed crafts of many kinds, the outdoors and learning about the wonders of nature and our Earth. She felt that there is always room in life to keep learning.

She is survived by her husband David, daughter Lisa, daughter in law Heather, granddaughter Kaitlyn Lussier, grandsons Derrick Sanford, Willie Wells and great-grandchild Natalia Wells as well as many "extended" family members.

Calling hours will be held on Saturday, October 17, 2020 from 10 am – 12:30 pm, followed by a funeral service in celebration of Karen's life at 1:00 pm at THOMAS J. PIRRO JR. FUNERAL HOME, 3401 Vickery Rd. (corner of Buckley Rd.) North Syracuse, NY.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to On Point for College, 488 W. Onondaga St.,

Syracuse, NY 13202.

Events

OCT **Visitation** 10:00AM - 12:30PM

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Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home
3401 Vickery Rd, North Syracuse, NY, US, 13212

OCT **Funeral Service** 01:00PM

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Comments



“ A tribute video has been added.



Thomas J. Pirro Jr. Funeral Home - October 15, 2020 at 09:10 AM



“ Thank you for sharing this amazing video with us. As tears rolled down my face I realized that they were for pain and joy. No enough words to express how I feel. Speechless.

Shaunda - October 17, 2020 at 11:16 AM



“ Excellent memorial for Karen- she accomplished so much good in her life - much of it behind the scenes! David and Lisa always her most treasured - yet they shared Karen with the entire world~ making it a better place! Thank you.

Marilyn - November 16, 2020 at 05:42 PM



“ I have just learned of this great loss. What a beautiful memorial! As I sit here with tears I cannot quit smiling. Karen was a beautiful lady and always kind words, she was a joy to be around always. GFWC will miss her dedication and we will all miss her friendship. She was an amazing person and I will truly miss see and talking to her at conventions. We have lost a ray of sunshine but heaven has gained an angel.

Missi McCoy - January 07, 2021 at 01:29 PM



“ Donna Setrella lit a candle in memory of Karen H. Morris



Donna Setrella - January 03, 2021 at 02:36 PM



“ Lisa, Heather & Family,
Whoa. am so so sorry for your loss. I had not heard about your mom's passing until I jiggled around here on FB last night. Forgive me for not being present when you needed friends...but I just know you were surrounded by not only yours but all your mom's as well. I did watch the webcast however. Know how much you miss her, you gals were like glue & superglue. Please give me a call 458-8744 (cell is down right now). Would like to get together soon and catch up? But only when you are ready. Sending lots of love, support, hugs, and healing energies as you all continue on your grief journeys. Again, please accept my sincerest and deepest respect for your loss. She was a staple in the womyn's community and such a peach.
Love, Respect and Many hugs,
Donna

Donna Setrella - January 03, 2021 at 02:35 PM



“ 1 file added to the tribute wall

unconditionally no matter how many dumb decisions I made. You've left a lasting legacy of kindness and love. You've shown that you truly don't need to be bound by blood to be family. I love you and hope you and my mother are together again.



Lisa Morris - November 21, 2020 at 11:03 PM



“ Dear David and Lisa, My sincere sympathy to the you and all of Karen's loved ones. Karen was a talented organizer, acclaimed hugger, generous heart, and fun soul who walked through life doling out self-assurance to all she met! Karen brought out the best in others. Family and close friends were so blessed to have Karen in their lives. May Karen Rest In Peace. With sincere Sympathy,
Marilyn Tickner) McNamara
"The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or even touched. They must be felt with the heart." - Helen Keller

Marilyn - November 16, 2020 at 05:21 PM



“ With love, thoughts and prayers to my Morris Family-To me Karen was Momma Moe, my second Mom. she came into my life when I was 12 years old and was a great influence. She was an example of selflessness. She taught us to give your time to others, but also to treat yourself, that you only live once. She relished the opportunity to have fun, laugh, and was a good example of not taking yourself too seriously. She had a big heart, a warm embrace and enough cheer for all she met. She was my Momma Moe, my second Mom and Nana to our kids. She will forever be in my heart and an angel on my shoulder. The Buffery Family loves you Mom M.



Tabitha Buffery - October 16, 2020 at 11:05 AM



“ Your daughter has been my one of my dearest friends (since 3rd grade).She took me to the hospital and stayed for hours . She tried to teach me how to swim. Lol. I almost killed her by drowning. She had me in the woods camping. You bought me the best baby gifts ever. You raised a remarkable daughter and you will be missed by all. Love and miss you Momma Morris .

Nicole Coker - October 12, 2020 at 07:35 PM



“ Sweet Karen you will be dearly missed at GFWC!!! Karen is one of those once in a life time people that puts everyone before herself. She was one of the most kind and caring individuals we should all strive to be like. RIP my friend. Peggy Barnes, Kentucky

Peggy Barnes - October 11, 2020 at 10:13 AM



“ Karen and here family are my family. I can't put int word the loss I feel with her losing after losing my Mom. What I will say is Karen was there for all my milestones and to support me, love me and give advice. She was my best friend even though they didn't get to see each other they made each other happy. Karen will me missed but not forgotten by our family and I am thankful she is now with my Mom plus some of their other sorority sister.



Shaunda Smith - October 10, 2020 at 10:27 AM



“ Bj Burkett purchased the Condolence Snacks for the family of Karen H. Morris.



Bj Burkett - October 09, 2020 at 09:44 AM



“ My mentor, my friend, my sister, my 'Mom' from sorority. She taught me the true meaning of Beta Sigma Phi. She was so loving, caring, giving. I will truly miss her. I am heartbroken that I did not take more time to talk with her recently. You always believe you have more time, but life is short and precious. Reach out and connect to all those you care about. Karen, may the angels greet you and lead you swiftly on your way.

Barbara Burkett - October 09, 2020 at 09:40 AM



“ On Sunday we lost one of the most amazing ppl I have ever met. From when I met her 20years ago to today she changed my life and the life of my daughter. (Papa Moe too)She took me into her life and treated me like one of her own. I will never forget the day she told me how grateful she was that I gave her her first grandkid. Her love was unconditional. Kait and I could not have been any more blessed to have her in our lives. You will be so missed everyday



karin Lussier - October 08, 2020 at 09:11 PM



“ Dave and family...I am so sorry to hear of Karen's passing. May she rest in peace.



Alice Young - October 08, 2020 at 04:25 PM



“ Karen was such a beacon of kindness and love. I'll never forget her reaching out to me on a trip down to DC for GFWC to see if I wanted to get dinner with her and catch up! I hadn't been involved in the organization where we met for about a year or two at that point, but she still wanted to check in, and at a time when I didn't have many friends down here and my husband was still out of state for work, meeting up with Karen to share hugs, laughs and a meal is something I'll never forget. We should all aim to be so kind and compassionate to those around us.

Erica (LeMon) Corgel - October 08, 2020 at 03:36 PM



“ Ugh I don't even know we're to begin or what to say. We lost a vary vary vary Special person on Sunday morning. She was an amazing person she always had a smile my heart hurts just thinking about her being gone I don't want to believe it but she is and I miss her like crazy love you nana moe. 🥺



kaitlyn - October 07, 2020 at 10:46 PM



“ Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Karen H. Morris.



October 07, 2020 at 10:07 PM



“ Karen you certainly were a wonderful member of Beta Sigma Phi.....always ready to help others...Sincere sympathy to your family. Rest in the hands of Jesus,
Sue Fiero

sue Fiero - October 07, 2020 at 07:16 PM



“ Dear David, Lisa and Heather,
There are no words that can describe the kind heart of this beautiful woman. She was my right hand person as we traveled together for two years throughout New York State visiting clubs in our Federation of Women's Clubs. Artistic, knowledgeable, supportive, ready for an adventure she gave of herself to the end. From humans to her cats, dogs, and fish she took care of us all. Her animals seemed to live forever. I know she did not feel well but she still persevered and took her obligations seriously. I will miss her in so many ways and my sympathy goes to David and Lisa. May she be with the angels.
Elaine Ko

Elaine Ko - October 07, 2020 at 05:01 PM



“ My Love & Thoughts to David,Lisa & Heather: My Dear Friend Karen will never be forgotten for all she has done for all! She had a heart full of so much love! Karen, always give of herself to all, her smile brightened up a room, her beautiful blue eyes always had a bright sparkle. Karen will always be part of my heart. I will always remember all the wonderful times we had together. God bless you karen I love you with all my heart. One thing I want to say is that she loved her daughter Lisa so so much. And was very proud of her. God bless

JOANN GILLEN - October 07, 2020 at 10:24 PM



“ My deepest sympathy to Dave and his family

Richard Robson - October 16, 2020 at 02:27 PM