



Karen Sheffer

January 5, 1953 - August 22, 2024

Karen A. Sheffer (Krasicky), O.T.R., age 71, passed away peacefully on Aug. 22, 2024 surrounded by family. Born Jan. 5, 1953 in Detroit to Olga (Osepczuk) and Harry Krasicky. She was predeceased in death by her parents, and her brother Jerry Krasicky and is survived by many loving family and friends.

A devout Catholic, Karen will be remembered by her family and all who knew her as kind, loving and always willing to help others. Karen was a loving aunt, devoted to her nieces and nephews. She also loved to spoil her furry friends, especially dogs. Known to be strong-willed, Karen used this strength to battle multiple sclerosis (MS) for nearly 30 years. Her health suffered recently but her resilience didn't stop her from enjoying life until the past few months.

Karen graduated from Wayne State University in Detroit with a Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy. In 1985, Karen became co-owner and director of occupational therapy at Associated Rehabilitation Specialists, PC in Madison Heights, Mich. for 21 years. In 2006, the company was sold and Karen developed a hand therapy program for Bi-County Orthopedic Surgeons. In 2009, Karen retired and enjoyed spending time with family and friends, served as a caregiver for the elderly and volunteered.

Visitation will be held on Sunday, Aug. 25, 2024 from 3-8 p.m. at the Mandziuk

& Son Funeral Directors, 3801 18 Mile Rd, Sterling Heights, Mich. 48314, with a rosary at 6 p.m. She will lie in state on Monday, Aug. 26 from 9:30-10 a.m., with the funeral at 10 a.m. at St. Lawrence Catholic Church at 44633 Utica Rd, Utica, Mich. 48317. Following, she will be buried at the Resurrection Cemetery in Clinton Township, Mich.

In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in her name to the Capuchins <https://www.thecapuchins.org/donate> or a dog rescue.

Cemetery Details

Resurrection Cemetery

18201 Clinton River Rd
Clinton Township, MI

Previous Events

Visitation

AUG 25. 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Mandziuk & Son Funeral Directors, Inc. - Sterling Heights
3801 18 Mile Road
Sterling Heights, MI 48314
(586) 997-3838

Rosary

AUG 25. 6:00 PM (ET)

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Instate

AUG 26. 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church
44633 Utica Rd
Utica, MI

Mass of the Christian Burial

AUG **26**. 10:00 AM (ET)

St. Lawrence Catholic Church
44633 Utica Rd
Utica, MI

Tribute Wall

MA

“ I am so sorry to learn of Karen's passing! She was such a kind and loving person!! She will be in my prayers!

Mary - October 04, 2024 at 11:12 AM

EM

“ I just found out about this. So sorry to hear this. I knew Karen back in high school and we reconnected in college when we both decided to become occupational therapists. So many fun and wild memories of that time. In high school, the chariot race where she was the gladiator in the chariot pulled by our friend's boyfriend. Our college baseball team (she was the catcher), driving together to school with 6 of us crammed into our friend's VW and she got the center console straddling the stick shift. Doing "Chinese fire drills" (everyone gets out of the stopped car, runs around and get back in.) while stopped in traffic on the freeway. Anatomy class (I will spare the details). Study sessions in the OT lounge. As time went by, and people went to work in distant places, each following their chosen area of speciality, the gang saw each other less and less. But we all shared special times and I have great memories. Karen was a great friend and colleague. My condolences to her family.

Emily Malek - October 02, 2024 at 05:32 PM

SP

“ Karen was a cousin of our cousins. We grew up with her and got to know her at family gatherings. But we (meaning my twin Cynthia and me) became very close friends when she lived across from the hall from us in our freshman year of college. We roomed with her our sophomore year. Those were some of the most memorable years of our lives. We came of age together, were on our own for the first time together, and we experienced that freedom and learning experience together. I was honored to be with Karen when she passed. And I will always cherish the times we shared in our young lives.

Sandra Petykiewicz - August 24, 2024 at 08:57 PM

PD

“ I will always remember the times we shared. I will miss you and I love you Karen.



Patti Duvall - August 24, 2024 at 07:20 AM

IS

“ Fond memories of us little cousins playing together at family functions. Love and miss you Karen. ❤️❤️🙏🙏 Rest in peace.



irene Scaglione - August 23, 2024 at 08:56 AM

CM

“ Cynthia M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karen Sheffer.

Cynthia M. - August 23, 2024 at 08:38 AM

LK

“ *Love, Don, Linda and Diana Krasicky purchased the Rose Remembrance for the family of Karen Sheffer.*



Love, Don, Linda and Diana Krasicky - August 22, 2024 at
07:20 PM