



Karen Lee Bowman-Wood

Born: Sun., Sep. 12, 1954

Died: Sat., Jul. 19, 2014

Karen Lee Bowman-Wood, beloved mother and grandmother, quietly ascended from pain and suffering of her physical body into the open arms of our Lord in Heaven, Jesus Christ on Saturday morning, July 19, 2014 in Celina, Ohio. She passed with grace knowing that she was loved by her family and friends. She was greeted in heaven by her son Steven, parents Richard (Dick) and Joan Glover-Bowman; and her brother Joseph T. Bowman and many other relatives and friends that passed before her.

Karen was born in Indianapolis, Indiana. She was a graduate of Carmel High School in Carmel, Indiana. She was a graduate from the Wishard Paramedic Program Indianapolis, and both Ivy Tech and Indiana University nursing programs.

Although formerly employed at Wishard Hospital, The Flower Nook, Randolph Co Hospital, Arts Place and Fort Recovery Industries, Karen used to say that the most defining moments in her life were giving birth to her children. At that instant she embarked on the greatest journey of her life; motherhood.

Karen's hobbies included drawing, painting and photography. She also enjoyed genealogy, gardening, cooking and doing anything with her family.

Karen's family is grateful to the countless, close friends, church family and medical professionals who opened their lives and hearts to them. "To all who have truly lifted up our family, showering us with prayer, and providing us with spiritual love and encouragement, grace and hope through our journey, we express our unending gratitude."

Surviving the loss of Karen and encouraged to succeed in their personal best are her son Jason Petersen (wife Leslie), Indianapolis, In.; daughter Amy Petersen-Hudson (husband Troy), rural Portland and 7 Grandchildren, In., 2- brothers Mike Bowman and Jim Bowman (wife Kim). Nieces Lisa Poynts (child Tyler), Lori Paige (husband Josh. children Samantha and Brooke), Niece: Katie, Nephew Stephen Poynts (wife Kristen, children Kayla, Jacob, Owen and Logan)

Karen's children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews will always carry her legacy with them.

A Memorial Service will be held at a later date with burial in Center Cemetery, west of Portland.

Memorial contribution may be made to: Oncology Specialist of St. Rita's, Lima, Oh.; Cancer Assoc. of Mercer County; The James Fund for Life at the Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center; State of the Heart Hospice

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