



## Janet "Jan" Rae Karrer

August 13, 1936 - June 12, 2024

Janet "Jan" Rae Karrer, 87, of Topeka, KS, formerly of Grand Island, Nebraska, passed away on June 12, 2024 in Topeka. A funeral service will be held on Tuesday, June 18th at 10:30 am at All Faiths Funeral Home, with Dan Naranjo officiating. Family will greet friends for one hour prior to the service. Burial will follow at Grand Island City Cemetery.

Jan was born on August 13, 1936 in Stanton, NE to Leland and Norine (Mitchell) Carson. She was raised and received her education in Norfolk, graduating from Norfolk High School in 1954. She then attended the University of Nebraska Lincoln for one year before transferring to the University of Nebraska Medical Center and earning her Bachelor of Science in Nursing.

On March 29, 1959, Jan was united in marriage to James Stewart Karrer in Norfolk, NE. The couple lived in Nebraska City, Kansas City, and Sedalia, MO before moving to Grand Island in 1966. Four children were blessed into this union. Jan worked at St. Francis Medical Center for 12 years.

Jan was a member of Trinity United Methodist Church and Hand Bell Choir, Riverside Golf Club, and P.E.O. - Chapter CK. She served on the Grand Island Concert Association Board and the Grand Island Library Board. Jan was an active volunteer in many organizations including, Leadership Grand Island, Daughter of the Nile, Red Cross, Meals on Wheels, and serving as Co-Chair of the Stuhr Museum Fund Drive. Through the years, she supported her kids by being involved in the school PTA, Cub Scouts and 4-H. Janet enjoyed

bridge, golf, fishing, playing piano, watching any Nebraska sport (especially women's basketball), playing games, and baking with her grandchildren.

Those left to cherish her memory include her husband, Stew; children, Julie (Craig) Driskel, James (Joan) Karrer, Nancy (Tom) McNeill, Steve (Stephanie) Karrer; five grandchildren, Janna, Jimmy, Adam, Lindy, Ella; and one great granddaughter, Della Rae.

Jan was preceded in death by her parents, Dr. Jim Carson (brother), and grandson Andrew.

Memorials are suggested to Stuhr Museum and the Grand Island Public Library.

Jan's family would also like to thank the staff of Brewster Place and Elara Caring Hospice in Topeka, who took such loving and professional care of our wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother.

# Cemetery Details

## Grand Island City Cemetery

Grand Island, NE

# Previous Events

## Funeral Service

JUN 18. 10:30 AM (CT)

All Faiths Funeral Home  
2929 S Locust St  
Grand Island, NE 68801  
(308) 398-2929  
allfaiths@giallfaiths.com  
<https://www.giallfaiths.com/>

*Family will greet friends for one hour prior to the service*

# Tribute Wall

DA

“ Dear Julie & Family - I was so sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. I remember meeting her many years ago through Girl Scouts. Please know you're in our thoughts and prayers. Sincerely - Danita (Battles) Alderton

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**Danita S. Alderton** - June 28, 2024 at 10:55 AM



*Karrer family.  
I am so sorry to hear about Jan's passing I think of you guys often, I U  
Ato babysit you guys on Lamar*

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**Jo Fultz** - July 14, 2024 at 02:58 PM



*Prayers for you all. She will be missed.by everyone that was lucky to  
have known her.  
Sending love and prayers to you all  
Jo Ellen Fultz (Davis)*

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**Jo Fultz** - July 14, 2024 at 03:03 PM

LL

“ I am so sorry to hear Jan passed away. My sister and I were just talking the other night about the camping trip we took with the Karrer Family and how we used to hang out at each families' house. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers. She was such a neat lady!

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**Lori Leitzke Lusk** - June 25, 2024 at 09:37 PM

DS

“ I have many fond memories spending time at the Karrer house while growing up. Our sympathy to you all in the loss of your wife, mom and grandma. Our thoughts and prayers are with you. John & Deb Svec

Deb Svec - June 17, 2024 at 09:41 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Janet "Jan" Rae Karrer.



June 17, 2024 at 04:31 PM

SO

“ Shawnee County District Attorney's Office planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Janet "Jan" Rae Karrer.

Shawnee County District Attorney's Office - June 17, 2024 at 04:31 PM

DZ

“ So sorry to hear of your loss. Doesn't matter the age, we always hurt when mom has to go. I remember your family across the street from us when we were children, running wild in the neighborhood! Our moms would come out into the yard just to see where we were every so often. May God fill you all with joyful memories. Dianne (Davis) Ziller.

Dianne Ziller - June 17, 2024 at 09:34 AM



“ *Jo Fultz lit a candle in memory of Janet "Jan" Karrer*



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**Jo Fultz** - June 17, 2024 at 04:11 AM



“ *JAN WAS A CLASSMATE WHILE WE ATTENDED THE UNIVERSTIY OF NEBRASKA SCHOOL OF NURSING. i HAVE MANY FOND MEMORIES OF HER WIT AND WISDOM DURING THOSE YEARS. MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO HER FAMILY. JO ANN MOORE MULLIGAN CLASS OF '58.*

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**Jo Ann Mulligan** - June 15, 2024 at 10:08 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Janet "Jan" Rae Karrer.*



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June 14, 2024 at 01:59 PM