



Karen Ann Alder

September 30, 1948 - July 17, 2017

Karen Ann Alder, 68, of Giltner passed away on Monday, July 17, 2017 at CHI- Health St. Francis Medical Center.

Private family burial will take place in Giltner Cemetery. All Faiths Funeral Home is serving the family.

Karen was born on September 30, 1948 in Broken Bow, only daughter of Harold and Elsie (Sierks) Wescott.

She is survived by her husband of 48 years, Dennis of Giltner; children, Darrick (Nicole) Alder of Giltner, and Rebecca (Brad) Sybrandts of Grand Island; brothers, Harold (Caroline) Wescott of North Carolina, Jerry Wescott of Kansas, Neil (Cindy) Wescott of Valentine, and Mike (Dr. Ann Miller) Wescott of Kearney; grandchildren, Darik Alder and Karsyn Sybrandts; and her special four-legged companion, Nigel; along with numerous extended family and friends.

Karen was preceded in death by her parents, brother, Charlie Wescott and sister-in-law, Kim Wescott.

Karen was raised in Valentine where she graduated from High School.

On April 16, 1969, she was united in marriage to Dennis Alder. The couple made their home in O'Neill, from 1970 to 1979, Karen joined Dennis on the open road and the couple enjoyed driving truck together. Over the next few years they moved from Nebraska to South Dakota, and then to Texas until returning to Nebraska in 1988. During this time, Karen was employed by Gibson's Supermarket in both Texas and Nebraska. Karen also was employed

at the Turkey Plant in Gibbon, Truck Stop in Wood River and sowed bags at Horizon Designs. In recent years, she was employed at Healthcare Laundry Services until her failing health caused her to retire.

Karen was a woman of many talents, she was a skilled seamstress, making many of her children's clothes, and enjoyed crocheting. She had a green thumb and both flower and vegetable gardens flourished under her care. With all the excess produce from her garden, Karen was an expert canner. Karen loved to collect owls. She loved the outdoors and enjoyed watching Husker Sports, especially baseball and basketball. Karen's faith was her cornerstone for life, she was a member of the Baptist Church in Cairo and attended bible studies. Karen's personal relationship with Christ lead her to spend time each day in His Word. Karen was devoted to her family and adored her young grandchildren.

Memorials are suggested to Karen's family to be designated later.

Cemetery Details

Giltner Cemetery

Tribute Wall



“ *Karen Ann Alder*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *Karen was a very dedicated and hard worker. She took pride in her work every day. We were glad to have known her for the short time we did. Our thoughts to the family.*

Brad Fried and Dorothy Lengfelder - July 19, 2017 at 09:05 PM



“ *Karen was a very caring and beautiful person. She will be greatly missed by all. It was my honor to know her.*

Mary Thies - July 19, 2017 at 05:53 PM