



Karen Lea Richard

September 29, 1943 - January 15, 2023

Karen Lea (Andersen) Richard, 79, of Grand Island NE (formerly of North Platte NE, Lincoln NE, Broomfield CO) peacefully departed to her heavenly home on January 15, 2023 following a courageous 11 year battle with ovarian peritoneal cancer.

A celebration of Karen's life will be held at 10:30 a.m. Saturday January 21, 2023 at All Faiths Funeral Home in Grand Island. An interment service will follow at Grand Island Cemetery. Daniel Naranjo will officiate the services. Family will be available to greet visitors at All Faiths beginning one hour prior to the service. Online condolences may be left at giallfaiths.com. The service will be available to livestream online at giallfaiths.com under Karen's obituary page, starting 15 minutes before the service.

Memorials are suggested to the family for future designation toward a local cancer patient care project.

Karen was born September 29, 1943 to George and Florence (Hapes) Andersen in Stratton NE. She grew up on the family farm and attended school in the Benkelman NE area, graduating from Benkelman High School. She was united in marriage to Theodore (Ted) Richard on October 14, 1961, and to this union a daughter, Diana (Kellogg-Haecker), was born.

The couple began their life together while Ted pursued his secondary education, a journey which took the family from Nebraska to Kalamazoo MI, Tempe AZ and Las Vegas NV. They returned "home" to Nebraska in 1971 and built a life in North Platte where they raised their daughter and resided for

several years. Karen attended cosmetology college, garnering a thriving career and many enduring relationships which she greatly valued throughout the years as a salon employee, business owner, and later successful multi-state district manager for a national salon supply company. The couple moved to Lincoln NE, before eventually following their love of the mountains to Colorado where they fully enjoyed their final years of employment and well-earned retirement before moving to Grand Island NE in 2017 to be closer to their daughter and family due to Karen's health. Karen will be remembered for her generously kind heart, easy smile, quick wit, picturesque rose beds and flower gardens, and as a skilled artistic seamstress having created a countless number of tailored garments, custom draperies and exquisite quilts. She cherished time spent with her family and friends, along with the couple's frequent trips made back to the mountains and Arizona vacationing. Surviving family members include her husband, Ted; daughter, Diana (Kurt Haecker) Kellogg-Haecker, Grand Island; grandson, Ryan (Teresa) Kellogg, Omaha; granddaughter, Maegan Kellogg, Lincoln; great-granddaughters, Elizabeth and Emily Kellogg; sister, Edna Copp, Imperial; sister-in-law, Justine Likens, Grand Island; brothers-in-law, Tom Richard, Benkelman and Jack Wilson, Imperial; seven nieces and nephews; and several beloved long-term friends she considered family. Karen was preceded in death by her parents; sister, Ina Mae Wilson; father-in-law and mother-in-law, Glen and Ardis Richard; brother-in-law, Dale Likens.

Cemetery Details

Grand Island City Cemetery

Grand Island, NE

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

JAN 21. 10:30 AM (CT)

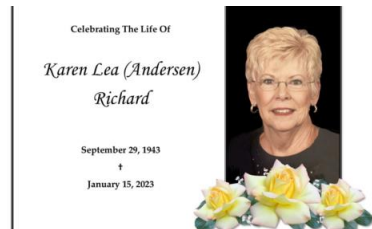
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Visitation will take place an hour prior to the service. The service will be available to livestream starting 15 minutes prior to the service.

Tribute Wall



“ *All Faiths Funeral Home created a <https://vimeo.com/791297060> in memory of Karen Lea Richard*



All Faiths Funeral Home - January 21, 2023 at 11:20 AM



“ *Karen Lea Richard*

October 08, 2023 at 11:02 PM



“ *She was truly a lovely lady. I always felt welcomed in her and Ted's home in Colorado. Janet Tarr*

janet tarr - January 21, 2023 at 08:38 PM



“ *Karen was so precious to us, and we just can't imagine the world without her in it. We all have an angel waiting for us in heaven. So much love for that beautiful lady. Mike and Barb Wilson*

Michael E Wilson - January 21, 2023 at 08:54 AM

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“ We so enjoyed our time spent with Karen and Ted especially the last few years enjoying a meal together at Quincys in Leadville, Co. Karen went along with Gordon giving her a "hard time". She had quite a sense of humor. Ted could not have found a better person to create the life they spent together.

Gordon loggett - January 21, 2023 at 05:57 AM

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“ I'm so sorry, Ted, for your loss. Karen was such a wonderful woman. She was so fun to talk to at the various Wilson family events. Hugs to you all.

Angela (Richard) Gulizia - January 20, 2023 at 08:51 PM

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“ David and Cindi Stitt purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Karen Lea Richard.



David and Cindi Stitt - January 18, 2023 at 04:58 PM



“ Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen Lea Richard.



January 17, 2023 at 12:32 PM