



Karen M. Thiess

October 11, 1957 - October 23, 2024

Karen Marie Thiess, 67, from American Canyon, CA passed away surrounded by loved ones on 10/23/2024 at Kaiser Vallejo.

Karen was born in Elizabeth, NJ to Raymond and Marie Johnson on 10/11/1957. She graduated from St. Pius X Regional High School class of 1975 and started working her first job at McDonald's where she met her future husband, Don. Karen went on to marry Don, raise a family, and work in the pharmaceutical business, retail field, and as a teacher's aide as well as being very involved with the school in many different capacities. She genuinely cared for all children and some of her best memories were centered on family activities and time spent together. Whether spending time together with family, children, granddaughters, or a weekend away with her husband, those moments meant the most to her and she cherished every one.

Karen is survived by her husband Don, son Donald and his wife Rosey, daughter Jenna and her husband Chris, son Trevor and his partner Lisa, granddaughters Ella, Kylie, Chloe, and Lily (due in February 2025). She is also survived by her sisters Cheryl, Anne, and Candace, sisters-in-law Laura and Louise, brother-in-law David as well as many nieces, nephews, and cousins. Karen is preceded in death by both sets of parents as well as four brothers-in-law.

A celebration of her life will be held at Claffey and Rota Funeral Home, 1975 Main Street, Napa, CA 94559 on Friday 11/15/2024 at 2:30pm, with a funeral service commencing at 3pm.

Karen was the most caring, compassionate, and sweetest individual I have known and we are so grateful for the time we had together. She built many close relationships with her caregivers after her cancer diagnosis. Karen will be missed but please focus on the good times spent with her.

In lieu of flowers or gifts, please consider making donations to Pancreatic Cancer Action Network at <https://pancan.org/> to help care for those diagnosed and to find the cure.

Please join the service virtually: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84911156794?pwd=PCjpwnHa2z9f7en1yOaJNYed6YjYW8.1>

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV 15. 3:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PT)

Claffey and Rota Funeral Home
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Tribute Wall



“ *Claffey & Rota Funeral Home created a Webcast in memory of Karen M. Thiess*



Claffey and Rota Funeral Home - November 15, 2024 at 12:20 PM

LE

“ *Love Always, The Elliotts purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Karen M. Thiess.*



Love Always, The Elliotts - November 15, 2024 at 11:59 AM

MC

“ *Matthew J Clemons lit a candle in memory of Karen Thiess*



Matthew J Clemons - November 15, 2024 at 09:07 AM

EM

“ Elizabeth Martin lit a candle in memory of Karen Thiess



Elizabeth Martin - November 12, 2024 at 08:57 PM

LQ

“ Lisa Quagliariello purchased the Pink Potpourri Bouquet for the family of Karen M. Thiess.



Lisa Quagliariello - November 05, 2024 at 10:30 AM