



Karen Marie Kraushaar

March 7, 1940 - January 23, 2023

Karen Marie Kraushaar, loving mother of 3, grandmother to 5 and adoring wife of 62 years, was called home to Jesus on January 23rd, 2023 at 11:30pm in Huntersville, NC.

Karen was born the youngest of 2 girls on March 7, 1940 in Cleveland, Ohio to Mr. & Mrs. Leonard Lawrance Riehl.

In her high school and college years, Karen participated in various activities such as cheerleading and theater. Her starring moment was her leading role as "Ginger" in the play, "Time Out for Ginger". She was the Director of Children's Education at Brecksville United Methodist Church for many years and had fond memories of being an active member of both Cuyahoga Valley Church (Broadview Heights, OH) and Mosaic Wadsworth (Wadsworth, Ohio), where she and her beloved husband, Dick, cherished worshiping the Lord, teaching Sunday school, volunteering and helping her church community and youth. She loved reading her Bible, walking her dog(s), scrapbooking, cooking for her family and was a strong animal advocate who donated to many rescue charities. Her Golden Retriever(s) were always by her side. She and Dick often traveled to visit friends and family. Karen enjoyed spending summers at their cabin in Pointe Au Baril, Canada and winters in Aiken, SC.

This kind and loving soul is survived by her husband, Richard H. Kraushaar

Sr.; sons Rick (Amanda) Kraushaar and Brad (Kirsten) Kraushaar; granddaughters Mycah, Devi, Zoë and MacKenzie; son in law Robert (Kristen) Miller; and brother in law, Vern Kraushaar.

She is predeceased by her sister and best friend, Margherite Riehl; daughter, Lisa Kraushaar-Miller and grandson Ryan Stiles.

She will be greatly missed by those who knew and loved her.

A memorial service will be held at 5:00 PM on Tuesday, January 31 at Cavin-Cook Funeral Home Chapel with Eddie Karriker officiating.

For those who are unable to attend the service, you may go to the following link for the live stream <https://view.oneroomstreaming.com/index.php?data=MTY3NDY4Nzk3MDIzMjQxNCZvbmVyb29tLWFkbWluJmNvcHlfbGluaw==>

In lieu of flowers, kindly consider making a donation in her memory to ASPCA Gift Processing Center, P.O. Box 96929, Washington, DC 20090-6929.

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory, Mooresville, NC, is serving the Kraushaar family. Condolences may be made to the family at www.cavin-cook.com.

Cemetery Details

Cavin-Cook FH & Crematory

494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 31. 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Cavin-Cook Funeral Home
494 E. Plaza Drive
Mooresville, NC 28115

Tribute Wall



“ *Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory created a Webcast in memory of Karen Marie Kraushaar*



Cavin-Cook Funeral Home & Crematory - January 25, 2023 at 01:06 PM

AK

“ *Our great friend, John Whitley, who Karen always considered her “son”, created this site for those who wish to donate to the ASPCA, in lieu of flowers. Thank you Johnny and thank you to all who wish to donate, to help continue her legacy of charity donations for animals. <https://secure.aspca.org/team/karen-kraushaar-memorial>*

Amanda Kraushaar - January 30, 2023 at 04:51 PM

JW

“ *The world has lost just the kind of person it needs: kind, positive, and supportive. Karen was aware of and appreciative of her blessings and she bore her sorrows with courage. She appreciated a wide variety of humor and made allowances for people very unlike herself; me, for example. She was a great surrogate mom to me and I'll always miss her.*

For those wanting to make a donation in Karen's honor, there's an ASPCA memorial campaign under "Karen-Kraushaar-Memorial".

<https://secure.aspca.org/team/karen-kraushaar-memorial>.

John Whitley - January 30, 2023 at 02:13 PM

AK

We love you, Johnny. SHE loved you, deeply. Thank you. I also shared this to Facebook.

Amanda Kraushaar - January 30, 2023 at 05:15 PM

JJ

“ *Jeff, Kim, Kathy and Jay purchased the Fairest of All for the family of Karen Marie Kraushaar.*



Jeff, Kim, Kathy and Jay - January 30, 2023 at 10:14 AM

EZ

“ *I, too, was a roommate of Kitty's at BGSU. What fond memories we have of those days! Kitty was our wonderful friend -- always full of fun and thinking of others. We sang "Sisters" for a dorm entertainment night one year which was very telling of how we felt for each other. I will think of Kitty as living in the hearts of those she touched as she was loved so much. My thoughts and prayers for Dick and all the family.*

Betty Robbins Zellers

Elizabeth Zellers - January 28, 2023 at 08:35 PM

LL

“ Karen was the most wonderful neighbor back here in Ohio. She and Dick were like second grandparents to my children growing up since they were babies till the time they moved. My daughter went to BGSU like Karen and it was a wonderful topic of discussion. We loved being a part of their lives and their wonderfully special dogs over the years. She loved her family so much.... I always felt like I knew each of them by how fondly she spoke of all of them regularly. A piece of our heart was gone when they moved to NC. I enjoyed speaking to her over the phone even after they moved. Truly a gem. Sending much love to Dick and the entire family.

laura lautenschleger - January 28, 2023 at 09:27 AM

AK

Thank you for sharing your memories of Karen. She loved being your neighbor and shared MANY stories of your family. She loved you and enjoyed watching your children grow up. Thank you for being so kind to her over all the years. 💕

Amanda Kraushaar - January 28, 2023 at 10:23 AM



“ Dick. We have fond memories of Karen and your family at Dorchester pool and Brecksville Methodist. Sending our thoughts and prayers. Mike and Jan Widick Naples Fl.

Michael Widick - January 27, 2023 at 10:58 AM

BK

Thank you! We appreciate your kind words

Brad Kraushaar - January 27, 2023 at 04:04 PM

AK

Thank you for sharing your memories of Dick and Karen. We are grateful for your friendship with them. 💕

Amanda Kraushaar - January 28, 2023 at 10:28 AM

CB

“ My deepest condolences to the family. May you know the peace and comfort of our Lord as you experience Karen's transition from your circle of life here on earth to her heavenly home with our Savior.

Karen was my classmate all our years at Cuyahoga Heights. We also lived on the same floor in the dorm our first year at BGSU. We shared many memories and friends. She was a sparkling, kind and fun friend. Au revoir, Karen. Rest in peace.

Carol Szunyogh Buchanan - January 25, 2023 at 08:38 PM

AK

Thank you for your kind words and memories of Karen in her early years. She loved telling stories about those times of her life. 🤔❤️

Amanda Kraushaar - January 26, 2023 at 05:05 PM

JK

Kitty, as she was known to her five roommates at BGSU, was a favorite - fun, caring, a leader of many pranks, and always our friend. We were a family those two years we were together at BG and remained together, along with our parents and families, for many years thereafter. We are so grateful for the Zoom call we had last fall. We have shared so many times together and will always cherish these many memories. Sending love to Dick and love to all the family.

Jan Rex Kepic

jan kepic - January 28, 2023 at 09:44 AM

AS

Rest in peace, my dear Cousin Karen. I only just found you a few years ago, along with your sister. The letters we shared with each other was wonderful. The photos you sent me of family are much cherished. Your first cousin, my dad, Rod Jerde will be 91 on July 18th. I will tell him of your passing and he will be reminiscing of your youngers days together. My condolences to Dick and you sons. Love & Hugs, your Cousin Amy Stuart

Amy Stuart - June 19, 2023 at 08:16 AM