



Karen J. Ross

February 3, 1943 - April 13, 2024

Karen Jean Ross (nee Schaefer), 81 of Minocqua passed peacefully to be with the Lord on April 13, 2024. Karen was born to Edward and Lucille Schaefer on February 3, 1943 in Aurora, IL. She was a graduate of West Aurora High School, Aurora, IL and Waubensee Community College. Karen held various positions in the financial services industry at multiple companies in Aurora, IL until 1991. After retiring to Minocqua, she worked for Howard Young Hospital for 16 years. Karen met the love of her life Glenn Ross in 1965, and they were married at St. Anne Catholic Church in Oswego on April 23, 1966. The couple traveled extensively throughout their lives and into their retirement years to Florida. Karen maintained the passion, recently traveling with her son Chris to Alaska and with her daughter Kim to Florida on a cruise. Karen enjoyed volunteering for the Howard Young Foundation and the Lakeland Food Pantry, gardening, bird watching, baking, and participating in church bible studies. Karen was a founding member of Peace Lutheran Church and dedicated a large portion of her life in service to the church. Karen is survived by her daughter Kim Ross of Minocqua, WI, sons - Chris Ross of Oswego, IL and Brian Ross, of Fargo, ND, grandsons Aiden and Kobe Ross of Plano, IL, 3 sisters - Patricia (Kenneth) Hartmann of Lac Du Flambeau, WI, Joan (David LeFavour) Gillette of Rockford, IL , Kathleen (Daniel) Thorp of Chanhassen, MN, and a brother- Michael (Patricia) Schaefer of Aurora, IL, and many nieces and nephews. Karen is preceded in death by her loving husband Glenn, infant grandson Gage, and her parents Edward

and Lucille Schaefer.

Visitation will be held on April 27, 2024 from 10AM – 12PM at Peace Lutheran Church, 10868 Old 51 N, Arbor Vitae, WI 54568, services will be held immediately after.

Memorials can be made to Peace Lutheran Church in Karen's memory.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **27**. 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (CT)

Peace Lutheran Church
10868 Old 51 N
Arbor Vitae, WI 54568-9721
(715) 358-8338

Memorial Service

APR **27**. 12:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

BC

“ Ben & Amy Cano planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karen J. Ross.

Ben & Amy Cano - April 26, 2024 at 12:54 AM

BC

“ Ben & Amy Cano purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Karen J. Ross.



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JM

“ Jenny Bonk (Nick, Isaiah & Mikaila) planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karen J. Ross.

Jenny Bonk (Nick, Isaiah & Mikaila) - April 25, 2024 at 08:37 PM

JM

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Jenny Bonk (Nick, Isaiah & Mikaila) - April 25, 2024 at 08:37 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Karen J. Ross.



April 25, 2024 at 06:46 PM



“ Karen Kermgard and Nola Ray planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karen J. Ross.

Karen Kermgard and Nola Ray - April 24, 2024 at 10:08 AM



“ Small Garden Dish was purchased for the family of Karen J. Ross.



April 24, 2024 at 10:08 AM



“ So many fond memories of Karen, Glen, Kim and boys. We sure lived the good life up in Flambeau. You will be greatly missed by your family & friends. You always had a smile and enjoyed a fun, full life !! You are at peace with our Lord 🙏

Bonnie Tomlinson - April 21, 2024 at 12:34 PM

NG

“ Kim, I am so sorry for your loss. It's good you retired and got to spend more time with your mom. My sincere condolences go out to you and your family. What can I do to help you? I will be praying. I love you.



Nancy Lieser Giese - April 21, 2024 at 12:24 AM

DT

“ 3 files added to the album Karen



Dennis T - April 20, 2024 at 05:30 PM

DI

“ Diane Taylor and Rick Gee, III planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karen J. Ross.

Diane Taylor and Rick Gee, III - April 20, 2024 at 02:42 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of Karen J. Ross.



April 20, 2024 at 02:42 PM