



Karen Denise Easton

February 3, 1960 - December 10, 2021

Karen Denise Easton, age 61 of Mattoon, IL passed away at 11:57 AM Friday, December 10, 2021, in the comfort of her home in Mattoon, IL surrounded by her loving family.

A funeral service in her honor will be held at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, December 15, 2021, at Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home, 1200 Wabash Avenue, Mattoon, IL 61938. Pastor Kevin Wolfe will officiate. A committal service will immediately follow at Dodge Grove Cemetery in Mattoon, IL. The visitation will be held from 4:00 PM to 6:00 PM, Tuesday, December 14, 2021, at the funeral home.

Karen was born on February 3, 1960, in Mattoon, IL to Ralph and Norma (Wirth) Luce. She married her best friend and the love of her life, Rick Easton on November 30, 1979, in Strasburg, IL; he survives and resides in Mattoon, IL. She is also survived by her mother of Windsor, IL; two children, Emily Gross and husband Harold of Mattoon, IL, Nicholas Easton and significant other Joanne Meyers of Indianapolis, IN, two grandchildren, Brooks Gross of Mattoon, IL, Lindley Gross of Mattoon, IL; two brothers, Paul Luce of Windsor, IL, Eric Luce and wife Michele of Carmel, IN; four sisters-in-law, Brenda Herman of Mattoon, IL, Carol-Ann Farr and husband Bob of Warrensburg, IL, Kathy Moore and husband Perry of Windsor, IL, Cheryl Camfield and husband Dennis of Mattoon, IL; numerous nieces and nephews; father-in-law, Harold Easton of Mattoon, IL. She was preceded in death by her father, and mother-in-law, Olive Easton.

Karen attended The Fields Church in Mattoon, IL. She was employed at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, IL in TRIO Student Support Services. Scrapbooking, collecting recipes, bike riding, and flower gardening were activities Karen enjoyed. She loved her church and always made time to visit people in nursing homes to lift their spirits. However, her primary focus was her family. Her love and devotion were unquestionable in all she did. Being a mom and grandma warmed her heart and brought her great joy. She had a special bond with her grandchildren who adoringly referred to her as MeMe. As a loving daughter, wife, mother, grandmother, and friend, Karen's memory and the joy and laughter she brought will be forever celebrated and cherished in the hearts of her loved ones.

A memorial donation in her honor may be made to Lincolnland Hospice of Sarah Bush Lincoln, 1004 Health Center Drive, Mattoon, IL 61938.

Please visit www.mitchell-jerdan.com or www.facebook.com/mitchelljerdanfuneralhome to light a virtual candle in her honor or share a memory with the family.

Cemetery Details

Dodge Grove Cemetery

917 North 22nd Street
Mattoon, IL 61938

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **14**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home Ltd.
1200 Wabash Ave
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Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Karen Denise Easton*

October 08, 2023 at 07:40 PM



“ *Michelle lit a candle in memory of Karen Denise Easton*



michelle - December 16, 2021 at 10:32 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with the family in this difficult time!*



Jim & Cheryl Wirth - December 15, 2021 at 04:40 PM



“ *Barbara Hughes lit a candle in memory of Karen Denise Easton*



Barbara Hughes - December 15, 2021 at 07:01 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Karen Denise Easton.



December 14, 2021 at 02:16 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Karen Denise Easton.



December 14, 2021 at 01:45 PM



“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers to all the family. 🙏🙏

June Beck - December 14, 2021 at 08:52 AM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen Denise Easton.



December 13, 2021 at 10:35 PM

SM

“ Karen was the first person I met when I unexpectedly ended up enrolling at Windsor High School in the middle of my senior year after the sudden death of my mother. I needed a friend, and she stepped right in and made me feel so welcome. I will always remember her great big smile and sunny personality. Rest In Peace, dear lady.

Sue Ann Minor - December 13, 2021 at 08:51 PM

LM

“ So sorry for your loss. Prayers to the family!
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Lynn McKenzie - December 13, 2021 at 06:01 PM

GA

“ Gail Abrams-Aungst lit a candle in memory of Karen Denise Easton



Gail Abrams-Aungst - December 13, 2021 at 04:11 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Life Tributes



Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home - December 13, 2021 at 01:39 PM



“ 74 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Mitchell-Jerdan Funeral Home - December 13, 2021 at 12:14 PM



“ Kathi Cobble lit a candle in memory of Karen Denise Easton



kathi cobble - December 13, 2021 at 11:27 AM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen Denise Easton.



December 13, 2021 at 10:24 AM

WG

“ With Sympathy, Hageman Group purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Karen Denise Easton.



With Sympathy, Hageman Group - December 13, 2021 at 07:41 AM



“ Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Karen Denise Easton.



December 12, 2021 at 06:38 PM

KA

“ She will be greatly missed in our family, she was a huge part of it. Forever missed, always loved and will live forever in our hearts.

kathy - December 12, 2021 at 05:57 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Karen Denise Easton.



December 12, 2021 at 01:18 PM

DN

“ Rick, my heart goes out to you and your family! You and Karen were the first to welcome Les and I to the neighborhood and to Broadway Christian Church. I could always count on encouragement from Karen in difficult times! May God comfort you as you move through the coming days!

Dorothy Nash - December 12, 2021 at 08:28 AM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Karen Denise Easton.



December 11, 2021 at 08:36 PM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Karen Denise Easton.



December 11, 2021 at 07:30 PM