



## Karen Murray

February 8, 2018

For anyone who knew Karen Murray, who passed away suddenly on February 8, 2019, her celebration of life will be held on June 17, between 1:30 and 4:30 pm at 2164 East 12mile Rd. This is the Reilly family home and Karen will be laid to rest in the Reilly Family Cemetery. We hope you have a moment in your day to come and share your memories of Karen with the family. They will be cherished. We miss her deeply. Karen Lorraine Murray, 63 or 64 (no one ever quite knew), went home to be with her heavenly Father and earthly Daddy in the early morning hours of Thursday, February 8th, 2018. While her heart was so full of life and love, her physical heart stopped suddenly. She was born August 12th in Marquette, MI to Raymond and Lois (Reed) Reilly, one of a family of 9. She married Bruce Murray of Huntsville, Ont. March 14th, 1981 and spent her life raising 9 children with more love, wisdom and care than ever could be imagined. Her children were her career and her world, and she was their guidance and their world. She was a light on this earth, sunshine through cloudy days and not only gave her love and strength to her own children, but many others as well. She touched so many lives with her smile and gentle love; people who had never had the blessing of meeting her knew she was a beautiful soul because her love and respect of others radiated through her children.

Karen is survived by her children: Derek Murray, Jenny Murray, Robin (Bryanna) Murray, Heather Murray (Bradley C), Jayne Murray, Geoffrey Murray (Taylor S), Graham Murray, Andrew Murray, Lawren Murray and their

father, Bruce. Grandchildren: Alexander and Jessica Murray. She is also survived by her mother, Lois and her brothers and sisters: Steven Reilly, Brian Reilly, Christine Moore, Diane Possamai, Marianne Sebastian, Raelene Reilly, Susan Kerst and Sean Reilly, with many nephews, nieces and great nephews and nieces. She is preceded in death by her father, Raymond and her grandparents.

The family is holding together privately for now and appreciates the love and kindness that has already been shown. A memorial will be held in the spring when the flowers are beginning to bloom and all of life can rejoice in her love. Remembrances can be sent to 2062 E. 12 Mile Rd. S. Ste. Marie, MI. 49783. "Well done, My good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things: enter into the joy of your Lord."- Matt. 25:21

# Tribute Wall

CE

“ As an old friend missing you all, and being once removed I just now heard about your loss. Karen was loved by all and everyone. So many of us, Tricia, Brian and Lou, I and my family still have many gracious memories embedded in our hearts from Karen and the Murray family. She and Tricia and all of you have left such positive memories with us. I was so so saddened to hear the news, and especially this late. We, the Edwards' family and the Beaudin family and many others I'm sure who were touched by Karen will live on with fond and touching memories. Some times we still ask why does it seem God has to take the best from us? There are no answers. I am here to help share sweet and touching memories with you all, Tricia you have your mother, you all have here dearest heart in here to carry on to others. I am here. Deepest sympathies. Bless all of you...

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**Christopher Edwards** - August 20, 2019 at 12:00 AM

ME

“ I just miss you so much, mom... I know the world has to go on, everyone keeps on living their lives, and most probably have forgotten the pain of our loss... I can't seem to move on. I count the days til the Lord sees fit for us to be together again.

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**me** - November 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Dear family of Karen. I was so sorry to hear of her untimely death. I studied under Ray in the Biology department. I knew Ray and Lois as dear friends after I graduated from LSSU. I went out to dinner with Karen one time and we had a wonderful visit of Christian fellowship. She was a beautiful lady with lovely eyes, a beautiful smile and a warm and friendly demeanor. I have nothing but wonderful memories of Karen and her family, especially Raelene. I pray that God's peace will sustain you while you adjust to the difficult transition of life with Karen. I believe that she would want you to still enjoy and embrace life fully, and to know deeply the God whom she loved and dedicated her life to. Give my love and regards to Lois. May she know the comfort of the Holy Spirit's presence in her life in a special way. God's grace to all of you from an old friend from East Lake/Fibre.

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**Michael Riness** - July 06, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LP

“ Like Janis Gregg Duwe, I too have wonderful youthful memories of Karen, Mr & Mrs Reilly, and all the kids at their big, lovely, inviting home on Prospect! Karen was always fun, beautiful, kind, loving and accepting of everyone. So many times over the years, I've thought of Karen and all the wonderful Reilly family. My thoughts, prayers, and deepest condolences to Karen's husband, all her children, grandchildren, and all the family and friends who loved her. Her lovely presence will live on through her children. As a beautiful Daughter of our King she made this world a better place, and is at Peace. May you find comfort in your precious memories, and knowing that others care. Warmest Regards, Lorraine Johnston Pierce

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**Lorraine (Johnston) Pierce** - May 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JH

“ *Lois and family, I am so sorry for the loss of your beautiful daughter, sister, wife, mother, aunt, and grandmother. May your memory of her love hold place in your hearts forever. May your tears wash your grief away. May your faith carry you forever. Hugs and love from Bobbie's first born.*

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**Judith ( Judi) Smith Haworth** - February 23, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ *Dear Family, I was saddened to read of Karen's death. What a shock! She truly was a special person. Raelene and children, (whom I know best), I am sorry for your great loss. Please know that you are in my thoughts and prayers at this difficult time. May you find comfort in knowing Karen is now at peace with her Lord.*

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**jane holt kennedy** - February 23, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BG

“ *Bruce, My deepest sympathies to you and your family. I remember quite clearly Karen's smile and how kind she was. What a wonder that she brought so much love into the world. In the stillness of your heart you will find her love living on.*

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**Barbara Gough** - February 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ *I am holding your whole family close in my heart and my prayers are with you. I hope you find peace and comfort in the love you share.*

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**Julia Malette** - February 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JK

“ Karen was a beautiful soul, and sounds a lot like her grandmother Lois whose love for her children knew no bounds. Karen's children know what a jewel she was and will try to pattern themselves after her.

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**Janet Lee Kahtava** - February 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM

EF

“ I attended art college with Karen in the early 70's. She was always a smiling sweet gal. I never saw her again after that, but have seen many incredible photos of the wonderful children mentioned above, through Bruce, who I also went to college with. If there's one thing this world needs, is more of that kind of love, caring and dedication that was given to her family. I'm sure you have many special memories and those will help you through this difficult time. My deepest sympathies to you all. xo

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**Eleanor Franklin** - February 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ This is just beautiful kids. I will always be here if and when you need me.

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**Diane POSSAMAI** - February 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

AF

“ To all of you from all of us, Another star has appeared in the sky looking down and showering beams of happiness for all of us to share as we realize that all the pain has left her beautiful soul and she is at rest. May you all be at peace now.

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**Arthur & Phyllis Reed & Family** - February 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TA

“ Karen was a sweet gentle soul and always wanted a big family full of love and laughter.

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**Toni Rogers- Atteridg** - February 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KL

“ Karen was indeed a very special person and her death will leave a deep hole in everyone's heart. But we look forward to seeing her again in our Heavenly Father's home.

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**Karl and Roberta Ludke** - February 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ I am so sorry to hear of Karen's passing. I knew her from Sault College back in the 70s, and we were friends with her and Bruce. I remember her as a very sweet lady, very kind, and in love with the Lord, and of course, Bruce. Their relationship was just starting then, and they were inseparable. Bruce and I connected on facebook, and he told me about your big family - her passing will be felt deeply, I'm sure. Love in Christ.

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**Janie Smith Wallace** - February 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

DJ

“ I am thinking and sending prayers to all of you.

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**Dianne atkinson johnson** - February 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

TR

“ Love to all.

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**Tracy Reed** - February 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KS

“ I was so saddened to hear o9f her passing. I really liked her and was so glad that I got to know her some. She was a sweet cousin. I love you all. I have been praying for comfort for all of you.

Kathy Stayton - February 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

BF

“ I'm so sorry for your lost my thought and prayers are with you and your family

Brenda and Francisco - February 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ It is with heavy hearts that we send our condolences to you Bruce, to your beautiful family and to the Reilly family. Our thoughts are with all of you in this time of sorrow. We are grateful to have known her. Karen is now one of the special angels smiling down on all that knew her. The Harter family.

Peter and Doris Harter - February 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

AP

“ Dear Lois, Steve, Brian, , Diane, and all of your family as well as Karen's husband and children, please accept my heartfelt sympathy at this difficult time. Love, thoughts, and prayers go out to you, Anne Pancheri Papineau

Anne Pancheri Papineau - February 17, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JD

“ *My deepest sympathies to Karen's family. I remember Karen from our youth. We played, giggled and ran around the big home on Prospect. I remember Karen as always having a gental and loving way. Karen's photo is just as I remember her, beautiful. Sincerely,  
Jan Gregg Duwe*

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**Janis Gregg Duwe** - February 17, 2018 at 12:00 AM