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Funeral services for Karen Keene, 63 of Morrow will be held Thursday, October 4, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. in the Newark Chapel of Vensil & Chute Funeral Home with Harold Liedert officiating. Burial will be in Maple Grove Cemetery, Granville.

Karen died Friday, September 28, 2012 at Bethesda North Hospital in Cincinnati. She was born February 25, 1949 in Maumee, Ohio to Kenneth and Phyllis (Champlin) Forrer of Newark.

She was currently employed as a Quality Control Auditor at United Healthcare in Cincinnati with over 20 years of service. She was a 1967 graduate of Newark High School and former 4th grade teacher at Hebron Elementary School in Hebron. She had received a bachelor's degree in Education after attending college at Bowling Green and The Ohio State University. Karen enjoyed traveling, camping, boating, dining and wine. She was an avid fan of music, particularly devoted to The Beatles and other icons of the 1960s.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her loving companion of 12 years, Erby Powell of Hillsboro; son, Brad Keene and Jennifer of Baltimore, MD; brothers, Doug (Judy) Forrer of Newark, Greg (Betsy) Forrer of Newark; nephews, Josh, Andy and Mike; niece, Angie.

Friends and family may call from 11 am to 1 p.m. Thursday at VENSIL & CHUTE FUNERAL HOME, 1850 W. Main Street, Newark.



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NH

Nancy Hill posted:

It has been 10 years and I will never forgot my coworker and friend Karen. God placed you in my path and I will be eternally grateful to have known such a kind sole. Loving thoughts always!

September 27 at 10:22 AM

NH

Nancy Hill posted:

I will never forget my friend Karen. I was her manager in the Quality Assurance Department at UMR (UHC). Karen was always so happy and loved to laugh. Her work ethic was impeccable. Karen loved her son Brad and was so proud when she talked about him to the team. With caring thoughts, Nancy Hill

September 26 at 4:45 PM

GB

Gina Brune posted:

Those we love don't go away,They walk beside us every day,Unseen, unheard, but always near,Still loved, still missed and very dear. I was sooo lucky to have the opportunity to work for almost 20 years with such an awesome person. Karen was one of the kindest people I have ever met. Most of all I will miss the laughter and funny wit about her. She will be greatly missed. My thoughts are with the family during this difficult time.

October 8 at 1:50 PM

NS

Nitin Sehgal posted:

Karen, we will keep you in our thoughts & prayers. You will be greatly missed by the entire UMR Quality Family.

October 4 at 8:25 AM

ME

Melissa Hornback-Emerson posted:

Heaven has gained quite a character. I've known and worked with Karen for a short amount of time and grew fond of her instantaneously. She held within her a bright light and great soul. My condolences and best wishes to her loved ones as they embark on this new journey as her spirit guides them. Know that she spoke highly of you and I am grateful to have been included in her vivacious life. Karen, you are missed deeply.

October 4 at 7:42 AM



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LM

Laura Melby posted:

Karen will be certainly be missed by our Quality team and others within UMR. I am so sorry for your loss and will keep you in my thoughts and prayers.

October 4 at 5:35 AM

BT

Bev Turner posted:

It can be so hard to face the first year without your loved one, but the love of family and friends can carry you through. You are in my thoughts and prayers

October 4 at 4:21 AM

BT

Bev Turner posted:

It can be so hard to face the first year without your loved one, but the love of family and friends can carry you through. I consider it an honor to have worked with Karen at UMR. You are in my prayers.

October 4 at 4:16 AM

TP

Tim Powell posted:

Karen will be missed greatly by me and my family. Clint (my 3 year old son) was always excited to play with her when she would visit. My father Erby always enjoyed her company as they went on thier adventures. Your family will be in our prayers.

October 4 at 3:50 AM

GB

Gregg Buis posted:

Karen will be extremely missed in our Quality family. Her work ethic and dedication to the team was everlasting. To the family, my thoughts and prayers are with you and we will truly miss a great co-worker and person.

October 3 at 4:44 PM



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AS

Apryl Strittholt posted:

I was blessed to work with Karen and be her friend for the last 12 years. She was a wonderful person and so full of life. If you were having a rough day, Karen could always turn it around and bring a smile to your face with her contagious laughter. Karen will be greatly missed by all who knew her. I pray that we can accept this great loss by knowing that she is in peace with God.

October 3 at 3:40 PM

SL

Serina And Lee Ray posted:

Greg and Betsy, I'm sorry to hear of your sister's passing. May the Lord give you peace in your heart and strength to get through this . You are in my thoughts and prayers.

October 3 at 3:28 PM



Anonymous posted:

Sister,As a teen you accepted Jesus as your saviour and because of that I am assured of seeing you again in heaven. You will be missed. Until then..Your brother Doug

October 3 at 2:06 PM

JM

Jackie Manzi posted:

Karen was such a joy to be around. She was a great mentor and friend to me at UMR. I'm praying for all of her family at this time of great loss.

October 3 at 1:50 PM

BB

Barbara Batory posted:

My deepest sympathy to Karen's family and friends. I worked with Karen at UMR. She trained me and was such a delight to be around. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.

October 3 at 10:41 AM



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Anonymous posted:

Karen will be missed greatly by her friends and co-workers in Cincinnati. She was such an asset to her team at UMR; dependable and hard-working. Karen was always fun to be around and her laughter was contagious. Everyone respected and loved Karen. I am praying for her family and friends during this difficult time. Nancy Hill

October 3 at 6:31 AM



Joyce J posted:

May your hearts soon be filled with wonderful memories of joyful times together as you celebrate a life well lived.

October 2 at 5:18 PM



Jordan Budnek posted:

Karen you will be missed. You were such a great person to me and other people. You were like a grandma to me so caring and very nice. All the wonderful memories we had shared will be with me forever and ever. I am so sorry for your loss I wish you the greatest strength. You will always be with me. Love Jordan.

October 2 at 4:15 PM



Tracy & John Stillson posted:

Karen you will be missed. Especially the neighborhood children. You were always so kind to them. What a great loss to our community. Wishing great strength for those left behind. I know Karen is with them. Not of this earth but in spirit, through different kingdoms love has no boundaries. Great memories will always prevail through the dark storms of today to bring to a brighter tomorrow. Sending condolences for all loved ones during the hard days ahead. We are so sorry for your loss.

October 2 at 10:05 AM



Diane Elam (Powell) posted:

karen you will be missed dearly you were like my sister-in-law even thou you and Erby never married you two were happy and were going to live your's guys dream sorry that will never happen but you did live life to it's fullest love and miss you

October 2 at 12:21 AM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Karen by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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