



Karen McMurtrie

August 16, 1943 - April 6, 2016

Karen McMurtrie, loving mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend went home to be with the Lord on April 6, 2016. Karen was born on August 16, 1943 in Los Angeles, California and was raised in Santa Rosa, California by loving parents Willis and Blanche Neilsen. For the past 47 years, she lived in Fremont, California.

Karen lived each day with sense of caring, tenacity and a gregarious spirit. She raised her children with discipline and love and fostered an environment for all to flourish. Kind and thoughtful beyond her means, she was appreciated and loved by everyone she knew.

Diagnosed with diabetes at age 7, Karen faced this challenge with great vigor, as she did every obstacle that confronted her. She dedicated her life to doing the right thing.

She is survived by her sons, Robert McMurtrie, and Ron McMurtrie (Amy); daughter, Kimberlie Graham (Jeff); grandchildren, McKenzie (Adam), Jack, Ellie, Owen, Brandon, and Natasha; great grandchildren, Easton and Emrie; and her dog Brandi.

A memorial service and celebration of her life will take place at 11am on Friday, April 15th at Fremont Memorial Chapel, 3723 Peralta Blvd, Fremont,

CA 94536, followed by a reception. A private burial service will take place at a later date where she will be laid to rest with her parents. Memorial gifts may be made to the JDRF Diabetes Foundation at www.jdrf.org

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **15**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Fremont Memorial Chapel
3723 Peralta Boulevard
Fremont, CA 94536
1-510-793-8900
fremontchapeloftheroses@yahoo.com
<https://www.fremontmemorialchapel.com>

Tribute Wall

EG

“ I just hear for Karen passing and it took me hard she was the best. She know me from home depot and I live in brookvale also she would always be the best customer and also help tell all the others I was a good sales person and always run into her at the store or she look for my car in front of my house and we would just talk and talk. She would tell it like it was I always loved that. Sorry for your lose.

Eddie and Mary Galli

Eddie Galli - September 30, 2016 at 10:04 PM

BG

“ Grandma, The most amazing woman I have ever met. You will never be forgotten. I am so thankful that we only lived thirty or so minutes away! Many more memories we were able to share with eachother! Memories that will never be forgotten, You will never be forgotten! I will see you when I make my way up there too! Love you always grandma Karen!

*Love,
Brandon*

Brandon Graham - April 25, 2016 at 11:59 AM

PR

“ I miss my best friend she left with out me. The gift of life however dear must sometime pass away yet love and memories remain eternal GIFTS TO STAY our love and condolences to all of the family auntie pat pat Richie and Bob south

pat richie - April 16, 2016 at 07:37 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue* was purchased for the family of Karen McMurtrie.



April 14, 2016 at 03:41 PM



“ *The Kish Family* purchased the *Peaceful White Lilies Basket* for the family of Karen McMurtrie.



The Kish Family - April 14, 2016 at 03:36 PM



“ *Dwayne Stone* purchased the *Cheryl's Classic Large Dessert Tray* for the family of Karen McMurtrie.



Dwayne Stone - April 13, 2016 at 03:11 PM



“ *With our Love and deepest sympathy, Linda & Doug Plaza* purchased the *Beautiful Dreams* for the family of Karen McMurtrie.



With our Love and deepest sympathy, Linda & Doug Plaza -
April 13, 2016 at 02:51 PM

DS

“ Hi Bobby, Ron and Kim. My condolences to all of you and your families. Some of my best memories was with you and swimming in your pool. Your mom was there keeping us in line. And the way she would blast into the court driving that blue Chevelle station wagon with the side pipes was great. What great memories. Your mom made our Gissing Place memories great.

Dwayne Stone - April 13, 2016 at 02:04 PM

RG

“ Recall Global purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Karen McMurtrie.



Recall Global - April 13, 2016 at 10:35 AM



“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Fremont Memorial Chapel - April 12, 2016 at 05:30 PM



“ Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Karen McMurtrie.



April 12, 2016 at 05:09 PM

CW

“ Craig & Mary Wilson purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Karen McMurtrie.



Craig & Mary Wilson - April 11, 2016 at 06:36 PM



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



April 11, 2016 at 04:54 PM

BB

“ Barbara and Richard Baker purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Karen McMurtrie.



Barbara and Richard Baker - April 11, 2016 at 04:30 PM



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



April 11, 2016 at 01:53 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen McMurtrie.*



April 11, 2016 at 01:19 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Karen McMurtrie.*



April 10, 2016 at 07:22 PM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Without a doubt, she loved her family and friends. I loved how she always had a moment to chat about her children or her grandchildren. Although it had been some time since I saw her, I am sure her love for you all was stronger than ever. ❤️❤️*
Monica

Monica F - April 10, 2016 at 06:35 PM



“ *Yellow Rose Bud (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Karen McMurtrie.*



April 10, 2016 at 06:31 PM