



Karen J. Mercer

November 27, 1945 - August 19, 2015

Karen J. Mercer, age 69, of Powell, Ohio, and formerly a life-long resident of Mansfield, Ohio before moving to Powell, met her Lord and Savior at home on Wednesday, August 19, 2015. Born in Mansfield, Ohio to the late Wayne and Avalon Pickworth, she was also preceded in death by her brothers-in-law Larry Zerby and Richard Snyder. A graduate of Mansfield Senior High School, Class of 1963, Karen was the CEO of Mercer Impressions, Inc. for 16 years. She moved to Powell in 2004. Karen is survived by her beloved husband of 50 years Evan Mercer; her children Sheri (Michael) Limbert of Powell and Evan C. (Brigid) Mercer, Jr. of Cleveland, OH; her grandchildren: Austin, Jacob and Sydney Limbert; sisters: Carol (Roger) Blackstone of Mansfield, Sonnie Zerby of Toledo, OH and Lana Snyder of Bolivar, OH and their families. Karen was a member of Liberty Presbyterian Church. Although she was very active in her community for many years, the most important thing to her was her husband, children and grandchildren. A Memorial Service will be held 11:00a.m. SATURDAY, AUGUST 29, 2015 at LIBERTY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 7080 Olentangy River Road, Delaware, OH 43015 with Pastor John Hart, officiating. (The church is located on Olentangy River Road/SR 315 at the corner of Home Road.) Burial will be held later at Mansfield Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, friends are asked to consider memorial contributions to: Pancreatic Cancer Action Network (PANCAN), 1500 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 200, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266 (877)272-6226 www.pancan.org and envelopes will be available at the church. Rutherford Funeral Home at Powell,

450 W. Olentangy St., Powell, OH 43065 (614)-792-1471 assisted the family.
Please visit www.rutherfordfuneralhomes.com to send condolences to Karen's family.

Cemetery Details

Mansfield Memorial Park

Mansfield, OH

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 29. 11:00 AM (ET)

Liberty Presbyterian Church
7080 Olentangy River Road
Delaware, OH 43015
<http://libertybarnchurch.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ Rutherford Funeral Homes created a Tribute Video in memory of Karen J. Mercer



Rutherford Funeral Homes - August 31, 2015 at 12:32 PM



“ Karen J. Mercer

January 28, 2023 at 10:24 AM



“ Evan, Sheri and Evan, we want to say that Karen will be missed very much. We have such fond and happy memories of her and what a great neighbor she was to us. Our prayers will be with you as you go through this difficult time. Please trust that the Lord is with you always. 🌸🙏

Riley and Kathy Roberts

kathy - August 28, 2015 at 01:00 PM



Thank you Kathy, she spoke fondly of the 2 of you also.

Sheri Limbert - August 29, 2015 at 09:11 PM

TF

“ *The Wiegand Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Karen J. Mercer .*



The Wiegand Family - August 28, 2015 at 11:03 AM

SH

“ *Dear Evan,
It is with deepest regret that we send our Sympathy to you and your family. Karen was a sweet, friendly lady and it wasn't difficult to immediately like her. I'm sure, after all your years together, personal and business life, that you are devastated by her loss. Please know that our prayers, as they have been, will continue for you. May all the many memories you hold close to your heart help you as you grieve.*

Sally and Terry Houston

Sally Houston - August 25, 2015 at 10:25 AM

TD

“ *Our son-in-law saw Karen's obituary and told us. We were so surprised and didn't realize Karen had been fighting pancreatic cancer. Our sincere sympathy to Evan, Sheri and Evan Jr. at this time of sorrow. We pray that you find comfort in God's Word and strength for your needs. To sisters, Carol, Sonnie and Lana, we will be remembering you in our thoughts and prayers. We know your family was very close and Karen will be greatly missed. Tom called Mary, Linda and Peachy. Love,
Tom & Shirley Davidson*

Tom & Shirley Davidson - August 24, 2015 at 10:03 PM

SL

*Shirley,
Mom didn't have pancreatic cancer, my dad does. Just wanted you to have the correct information.
Sheri*

Sheri Limbert - August 25, 2015 at 12:53 PM

CG

“Evan and Family, Please accept my heartfelt sympathy for your loss. I fondly remember Karen from our Mansfield Senior High band days. She was always so friendly and had a beautiful smile. One of the nicest people I had the pleasure of knowing. In fond remembrance. Carolyn (Hall) Geiger.

Carolyn Geiger - August 24, 2015 at 03:36 PM

PW

“Evan, and Roger,

Deepest sympathy in the loss of your wife and sister-in-law. I remember coming to the print shop in Mansfield and Karen always greeted me with a smile, never a frown. May God give you and your family the strength you need to get through this difficult time. Remember life is made up of memories and they will help give you comfort.

Pamela Williams-Briggs

Pamela Williams-Briggs - August 24, 2015 at 02:14 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Karen J. Mercer .*



August 24, 2015 at 10:30 AM



“ *From the very first time that I met Karen she made me feel a part of her family, but that was just the way that she was. She was a gentle soul and so very gracious. Love exuded from every pore in her body. I am selfishly incredibly sad to know that I will never get to speak to her or give her a hug again but have an even heavier heart knowing that those closest to her will not have that opportunity. Sheri, Michael, Evan, Bridget, Austin, Jacob, and Sydney you are all in my thoughts and prayers. I love you guys and am sorry that I am not there to be with you.*

*Love,
Sandra*

Sandra Stork - August 23, 2015 at 05:59 PM



“ *Evan and Family,*

So saddened to learn of Karen's passing. We were school mates from first grade through high school. May the love of family and friends be of comfort during your time of sorrow.

BetteRae Hunt

BetteRae Hunt - August 23, 2015 at 12:14 PM

SZ

“ There are not enough words to express my sorrow over the loss of my dear sister, Karen.

So many fun times and memories through the years and thankfully many pictures to remember those wonderful times. Karen and Evan shared their lovely home with family, for so many Christmas celebrations. I will miss her forever.

Sending all my love and condolences to Evan, Sheri, Michael, EJ, Brigid, Austin, Jacob and Sydney.

Sonnie

Sondra Zerby - August 23, 2015 at 07:57 AM

DB

“ Donna Blume lit a candle in memory of Karen J. Mercer



Donna Blume - August 22, 2015 at 02:29 PM

CB

“ I am heartbroken over the loss of dear "baby" sister. I was 7 years old when she was born, I have the most wonderful memories of our time together. I sang a song to her when she was small I sad "Baby Face" There is line that says ""there's not another that can take your place"

Carol

Carol Blackstone - August 22, 2015 at 02:07 PM

Julie Hanawalt

“ I am so sorry to hear about Karen, we had such a great time when I got to visit with her a few years back. She had a great personality and a beautiful Spirit. She will be missed.



Julie Hanawalt - August 22, 2015 at 11:16 AM

SR

“ I will always remember Aunt Karen's lovely smile and easy laugh. She was such a positive and warm person. Her dedication to her family and the clear enjoyment and fulfillment that she felt in their company was heartwarming to behold. I always enjoyed talking with Aunt Karen at family get togethers so much, she always showed such a kind interest in everyone. Jim remembers how welcoming she always made him feel whenever he saw her. Our hearts are so heavy for your loss and we pray that you can find comfort in the many wonderful memories that you must have of the beautiful woman, wife, and mother that Aunt Karen was. I wish so much that we could be there next weekend to help celebrate her life with you and apologize for our absence. Although we are physically very far away, you are all in our thoughts and prayers every day.

Susan Rodehaver - August 22, 2015 at 10:28 AM

SH

“ Sandy Hall lit a candle in memory of Karen J. Mercer



Sandy Hall - August 22, 2015 at 10:27 AM

EH

“ We are in shock and so saddened in Colorado, to hear about Karen's passing. What a wonderful, caring person. We will miss her so much. Evan, you and the family continue in our thoughts and prayers.
Love,
Larry & Ellen



Ellen Hanawalt - August 20, 2015 at 09:03 PM

SW

I have been so blessed to have Karen in my life as a dear friend. Evan, Karen, Fred, and I travelled across this country from Maine to Colorado and Wyoming and from the shores of Lake Superior in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan to the many trips to the sunny beaches of Fort Myers Beach, Florida, and everywhere in between. We travelled mostly in our mini van, but we also walked, hiked, canoed, boated, and travelled by train, (yes, even Amtrak), ferry, golf cart, duck, sailboat, pontoon boat, tram, horse drawn wagon, (It was supposed to be by horseback, but she was too short to get on the horse), and any number of modes of transportation which I cannot recall right now. I do not remember that I ever flew anywhere with her since I have a very intense fear of flying. Well now Karen is flying with all the angels in heaven and I hope to fly with her some day. It has been a joy travelling this path on earth with her and sharing so many wonderful experiences with her. I cannot imagine a greater friend and we will miss her more than words can express.

Susie Wiegand - August 28, 2015 at 10:14 AM