



Karen Dian DeJonge

September 3, 1953 - July 27, 2016

Karen DeJonge 62, of Holland, passed away on Wednesday July 27 surrounded by family and friends. She will be deeply missed. Karen was born in Brooklyn, NY on September 3, 1953 to Charles Haltenhoff and Harriet (Heining). Karen graduated from West Ottawa High School in 1971. She then went on to nursing school in Muskegon where she graduated in 1977. She started her career at Holland Hospital following graduation. She then met Jay, the love of her life and married. Jay and Karen owned West Michigan Canvas where Karen was Vice President for 32 years. Karen was also part owner of Picket Fence Floral and Design with her daughter, Sarah Boetsma. Karen is survived by her husband of 37 years, Jaywin Sr.; their children, Sarah and Brandon Boetsma of Zeeland, Jaywin Jr. and Susan DeJonge of Holland (Rylee, Jayden and Lilliana). Step children, Troy and Lisa DeJonge of Zeeland (Josh, Shane, Tate, Carter and Terick) Tracy and Jeff Bennett of Nunica (Evan, Abby and Emma) Siblings Pam Barnanby and Tom Hindert of Holland, Barry and Betty Haltenhoff of Boyne City, Mark and Lori Haltenhoff of Holland, Jeff Haltenhoff of Holland, Liz and Ron Doolittle of Colorado Springs, Tim and Laura Purdy of Houghton.

A memorial services will be held at 11:00 am, Saturday, August 6, 2016, at Peace Lutheran Church, 389 James Street Holland MI 49424. Visitation will be at the church 10-10:45am, and a luncheon will follow. Arrangements by Langeland-Sterenbergh Funeral Home, 315 E. 16th Street, Holland.

Tribute Wall



“ *Karen Dian DeJonge*

August 31, 2022 at 01:26 PM



“ *"Sarah-----my sympathy to you in the loss of your mother. I attended many Bridal Shows with you nd your mother and the 2 of you were a great team. You both were very outgoing and kind to everyone. Your mom will be missed. Praying for you Sarah--I know you will miss her."*

Marcia Ten Broeke - August 27, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Sunday's won't be the same here at Sunset Junque without seeing Karen. We were so sad to hear of her passing. We considered her and Jay as not only loyal customers but good friends as well. She will be greatly missed. Our thoughts and prayers to Jay and all her family. Ray Melinder and Kim ShortSouth Haven, MI"*

A friend - August 07, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *"Karen always welcomed me with a smile and ready conversation when I dropped into the shops. She had a huge personality. Your wife, mother, and grandmother will surely be missed. I am praying for your family at this difficult time."*

Gloria VanKampen - August 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AW

“Karen always lit up the room. Her sense of humor and joyful personality was a blessing. Party on in heaven dear girl!”

Alice Waterous - August 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BE

“What a spectacular woman. I know Karen and Sarah from their involvement at the Great Lakes Expo. That Mother-Daughter Team inspires everyone in their presence. There is a saying "Leave a trail of genius when you depart". Certainly Karen has done so. She will remain indelibly etched in our hearts. Sincerely Bobbi Ecker-Blatchford”

Bobbi Ecker - August 06, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DM

“I've known Karen since high school. She was full of energy, fun, warm, generous, and thoughtful. We became friends when I moved into Holland. I was a freshman at West Ottawa and didn't know anyone. She was kind and included me and I never forgot her kindness. We've stayed in touch over the years. Condolences to her family. Shout out to Pam who tolerated us as we sang Diana Ross songs into pretend microphones. You will be missed Karen.”

Debra Holt McNally - August 05, 2016 at 12:00 AM

PA

“Sarah and family, I am so sorry for your loss! I was shocked to learn of your Mom's passing, We went to High School together and she used to come into Remember When Café when I worked there, I had no idea she was sick when I saw you in January. She was such a fun loving person and had the prettiest smile. She will be deeply missed. Again, I am so sorry for your loss.”

Pat - August 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DT

“*”Sarah and family: I too am sorry for your loss. As you know, I have been a friend of Karen's since high school. She had a heart of gold, was caring and compassionate, and had a great sense of humor. She will never be forgotten; but she now is in Heaven with Jesus. Until we see her again, you and your family will be in my thoughts and prayers....”*

Diane Taylor - August 03, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GR

“*”Offer my Condolences to the DeJonge and Holtenhoff family. Friend of Jeff H, Herman Miller Quality team.”*

Greg Russo - August 02, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GL

“*”So sorry to hear of the passing of Karen. Karen was a wonderful person, perfect personality and "tons" of fun to be around. Even though we haven't seen each other a lot since high school I will miss knowing she isn't physically around for anyone in the class of '71.”*

Gail Loncki - August 02, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JR

“*”Karen, thank you for your kind demeanor. I worked with Karen on some custom canvass projects. They went well; she was very professional/helpful. I did not know then we had been classmates. My your family find peace in that you were well-thought-of.”*

Jerry Riemersma - August 02, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DV

“Karen and I went to High School together. My favorite memory of Karen was when her and I went streaking through the girls locker room running around several times and laughing like crazy, all the other girls were out on the gym floor doing jumping jacks! What a hoot!!!! Worked with Karen when my daughter needed an awning on our new store (Newb's now Urban Found) downtown Holland. She sent us the most beautiful flowers. I'm going to miss you my friend!!!! I know Heaven just got another Beautiful Angel, enjoy eternity with our Heaven Father.”

Doris Vandebosch - August 02, 2016 at 12:00 AM