



Karren De Young

February 4, 1942 - June 7, 2025

Karren De Young, 83, of Hudsonville, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, sister, and friend to many, ran into the arms of Jesus and heard "well done, thou good and faithful servant" on Saturday, June 7, 2025.

Karren was born February 4, 1942, in Doon, Iowa, to William and Jeanette (Kuiper) Lems. Karren worked in her father's grocery store in Doon starting at about 10 years old. She graduated from Doon High School and moved to West Michigan. After settling in Hudsonville Karren started working at the Grandville IGA where she met a young man, Bob De Young. Karren and Bob married on May 24, 1963. Karren and Bob raised their family in Hudsonville and are charter members of Georgetown Protestant Reformed Church. She was preceded in death by her sister Corynna Boer, grandchildren: Grace Start and Luke Start, her in-laws: Nort Brower, Barb and Joe Stuive, Deb Roedema, and Jim Carlon.

She is survived by her husband of 62 years, Bob, their children: Shelly and Doug Start, Brent and Barb De Young, Jeff and Sandy De Young; grandchildren: Hope (Drew) Looyenga, Zachary (Kelsi) Start, Jacob (Megan) Start, Isaac Start, Matthew (Brittany) De Young, Megan De Young, Katelyn De Young, Alex De Young, Tori (Gerrit) Ter Avest, Drew De Young, Autumn De Young; great-grandchildren: Charleigh, Beckham, Mila, Jaxton, Dutton, Rush, Graham, and Luca; sister Jane Brower, in-laws: Henry Boer, Pat Carlon,

Chuck and Mary Roedema, and many nieces and nephews.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 am, Thursday, June 12, 2025, at Georgetown Protestant Reformed Church, 7146 48th Ave., Hudsonville MI 49426. Visitation will be 5-8 pm, Wednesday, also at Georgetown PRC. Interment will be in Blendon Township Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Heritage Christian School.

Cemetery Details

Blendon Township Cemetery

Tyler Street between 48th Ave and 54th Ave
Hudsonville, MI 49426

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN 11. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (ET)

Georgetown Protestant Reformed Church
7146 48th Ave.
Hudsonville, MI 49426

Funeral Service

JUN 12. 11:00 AM - 12:05 PM (ET)

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Tribute Wall

JL

“ Jim & Jessica at Stone Pro LLC purchased the Pretty Please for the family of Karren De Young.



Jim & Jessica at Stone Pro LLC - June 10, 2025 at 07:43 PM

PW

“ Phil and Cindy Woudenberg purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Karren De Young.



Phil and Cindy Woudenberg - June 10, 2025 at 11:00 AM

PW

“ Phil and Cindy Woudenberg planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karren De Young.

Phil and Cindy Woudenberg - June 10, 2025 at 11:00 AM

KP

“ With heartfelt sorrow and deep gratitude to God,

We send our sincere condolences on the passing of dear Karren De Young. We thank the Lord for the beautiful life she lived, a life marked by purpose and compassion. Her unwavering support for the mission in India, and especially her tender care for the orphans through Grace Foster Home, will never be forgotten.

Though our hearts ache at her absence, we take comfort in knowing this separation is only for a short while. We look forward, by God's grace, to that glorious reunion where we will once again join hands in eternity to sing the praises of our Lord Jesus Christ together, forever.

*With love and prayer,
Kasthuri and Paulraj*

Kasthuri Paulraj - June 10, 2025 at 06:30 AM

DV

“ Duke and Ruth VavDenBerg purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Karren De Young.



Duke and Ruth VavDenBerg - June 09, 2025 at 03:42 PM

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“ Duke and Ruth VavDenBerg planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karren De Young.

Duke and Ruth VavDenBerg - June 09, 2025 at 03:42 PM