



Karen E. Hardin

September 14, 1945 - July 11, 2019

Karen Ellen Hoffman Hardin, Born in San Bernardino, California on September 14th, 1945 and passed away with family at her side on July 11th, 2019 in Fontana, California.

Karen's life revolved around her children and grandchildren. Karen was a wife, mother, grandmother, sister and a friend, above all, an Angel to all. Karen enjoyed spending time with family and friends and watching her grandchildren grow-up. She loved to watch her grandsons play baseball and enjoyed watching the Dodgers on tv too. Karen was very proud of her name sake, her grand-daughter Karen Angelica. They loved to go get coffee at the Starbucks and hang out and talk.

Karen began her career as a secretary for Norton Air force Base. From there she went to the Rialto Unified School district as an Instructional Aide. She later transitioned to the Secretary at Myers Elementary where she then retired in 2002. She loved being around kids and always was that second mother or grandmother to every child she met. She was a volunteer in PTA, school activities, the church and whatever activity involved her kids or grand kids. You name it, she was there cheering them on and giving 100%.

Karen met her husband James Wesley Hardin Jr when she was 7 and he was 10 when they bowled at the Citrus Belt Bowling alley. Karen and Jim were family friends and co-bowlers and saw each other on Saturday mornings at bowling. They remained friends thru the years and continued to write each other through his military service. Upon his return they began to date each other and on Nov. 7, 1964 they were married at Calvary Baptist Church, in San Bernardino. They purchased their first home in Rialto, California in 1966 to February of 2001. After retirement, they moved to the Highland area.

Parents were Harold W. Hoffman Jr. and Ruth Karolyn Hoffman Yarnell. Survivors of Karen are, son, Steve Hardin of Highland; daughter, Julie (Desi) Arellano of Simi Valley; grandchildren Karen and Chris Hardin and Patrick Arellano. Karen is also survived by two sisters, Kathy (Ron) Roberts and Evelyn (John) Yarnell, as well as several nieces, nephews, in-laws, and cousins.

Graveside Services will be held on Monday, August 5th, at Riverside National Cemetery, Staging Area 5, scheduled to begin at 10:30 a.m. - please arrive early. Memorial service and Reception to follow at 12:15pm at California Ave. Christian Fellowship located at 8223 California Ave.

Riverside, CA, 92504

Please come dressed in casual attire like if you we're coming to visit her at home to chat and enjoy a cup of tea 

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