



Karen A. Pfaller

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Karen Ann Pfaller (Nee Warso) age 76, born July 4, 1945 passed away on October 13, 2022 after a brief battle with Lymphoma.

For those who were lucky enough to know Karen, they will all tell you she was one of the most unique and beautiful souls to grace this planet. She was a late-in-life blessing to her loving parents, George and Grace. She was a Daddy's girl. Her mother gifted her a passion for creative sewing that turned into a cherished life-long profession. Karen had two older siblings, Harold and Dorothy. Dorothy was 20 years her senior, married to a wonderful man named Russ, and had two daughters, Joy and Jan. All three girls were within 6 years of age to each other and were raised as if they were sisters.

Karen often shared pictures and memories from her childhood, a time that was very special to her and something she loved to talk about. In her adult life, Karen was a loving mother; she absolutely treasured raising her son and cherished the time she was able to spend with him. When life was tough, she allowed her struggles to strengthen her spirit and brighten her light, one that was bright enough to light the way for others in need. She was not a complainer and was fiercely independent.

Karen was an avid reader, loved gardening, watching old movies, making/fixing jewelry, cooking, baking, and was always sewing. It seemed

anything that required creative talent she was naturally good at. She loved rescuing stray cats, and they loved her right back. She had a profound respect for anything historical and antique, she delighted in thrift shopping. Karen was always searching for a "good home" for her finds and favored mended pieces because they greatly mattered to someone once in need. She worked at Hale Farm and Village, which allowed her to teach a bit of history as a weaver and a spinner. Her home was nothing less than magical, especially during the holidays. Halloween was her favorite! She relished hosting family reunions and Tea Parties, she honestly enjoyed having loved ones around anytime they could swing by. She was honored to tell the stories of her beautiful home and the families that lived there before her.

She was a gifted artist who excelled in sewing textiles. Karen would repurpose old blankets and antique material, even old mail bags, and turn them into exquisite masterpieces, such as stockings, pillows, and eggs. Her work was displayed on the White House Christmas Tree during the Clinton years and was featured multiple times in Country Living Magazine. There is no doubt her handmade treasures will bring smiles for generations to come, just as she would have wanted them to.

More than anything, Karen's generosity and loving spirit will forever be missed. If you were her friend, she would love you like family and family meant everything to her. The gift of her friendship, her witty sense of humor, her sweet smile and warm hugs, just her meant so much to so many. She was always loving and will always be loved! Karen is missed beyond words.

Karen was preceded in death by her loving parents, George and Grace Warso, her cherished siblings, Harold Warso and Dorothy (Bill) Dufala, and her beloved niece, Jan Leonardi. Karens is survived by many loved ones, family and friends alike.