



## Karen C. Goodman

June 2, 1942 - April 26, 2017

Karen Cole Goodman, a resident of Flippin Arkansas, passed away on April 26, 2017 at Gassville Nursing Center in Gassville Arkansas at the age of 74 after a courageous fight with Alzheimer's. Karen was born on June 2, 1942 in Upper Sandusky, Ohio. She was the daughter of William and Lucille Niebel.

Karen is survived by her husband Ed, his sons Kurt and his wife Cindy and their children Kris and Andrea; Craig and his wife Stephanie and their children Dominic and Ryan; her first husband Donald and their sons Dan and his wife Hedi and children Samara, Ray, Ian, Rhiannon, and great granddaughter Ariana; Steve and his wife Sonya and their children Isabella and Sydney; and Matthew and his wife Christy and their children, Brayden, Christian, Landon and Lily.

She was preceded in death by her parents William and Lucille Niebel, her sister Judy Smith, and her brother Tim.

She grew up in Sycamore, Ohio and attended Sycamore Elementary. Karen was a cheerleader, a majorette who loved to twirl the fire baton and a member of the band where she played the saxophone. Karen loved her many animals that she raised on the family farm. She graduated from Mohawk High School in 1960. Upon graduation, she attended The Ohio State University where she was a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority. She graduated from OSU

in 1964 with a Bachelor of Science degree in chemistry and a minor in biochemistry. From 1964 to 1968 she worked at Chemical Abstract in Columbus, OH. She moved to Bartlesville, Oklahoma in 1968 where she was a full time mom to three sons. In 1976 after her sons were in school, she joined Phillips Petroleum Company in Information Technology as a programmer and later as a project manager. In 1987 she joined the Exploration Division where she worked until 1995 and became the second highest woman executive in the North American Division. She was a volunteer and tour guide at Bull Shoals/White River State Park. She was a strong supporter of high school and USA Swimming. Following retirement from Phillips, she continued to work in the banking industry as a CFO at First Community Bank, Corpus Christi, TX., substitute teach and stayed active with volunteering in the community, at the First Baptist Church, and Rotary International. She was an avid Ohio State football fan, holding season tickets for the past 47 years. Karen loved spending time with her grandchildren, riding her horses, and traveling. She was a dedicated mother, wife and friend.

A funeral service will be held at 10:00 a.m. Tues. May 2, 2017 in the Bringman Clark Funeral Home with Rev. Brian Arnold officiating. Interment will follow in Old Mission Cemetery, Upper Sandusky. Visitation will be held from 4-6 p.m. Mon. May 1, 2017 at Bringman Clark Funeral Home.

Memorial donations may be made to Wyandot County Historical Society or Mohawk Community Library in care of Bringman Clark Funeral Home 226 E. Wyandot Ave. Upper Sandusky, OH 43351. Visit [www.BringmanClark.com](http://www.BringmanClark.com) to send a condolence or share a story. The family would like to thank all her friends and family who have expressed their love and support.

# Cemetery Details

## Old Mission Cemetery\*

on East Church St., about 500 feet east of SR  
53 and 67, on north side of town  
Upper Sandusky, OH 43351

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 1. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Bringman-Clark Funeral Home  
226 E. Wyandot Avenue  
Upper Sandusky, OH 43351  
(419) 294-2328  
bringmanclarkshields@gmail.com  
<https://www.bringmanclark.com/>

## Service

MAY 2. 10:00 AM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

SM

“ Steve and Judy Martin purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Karen C. Goodman.



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**Steve and Judy Martin** - May 01, 2017 at 10:37 AM

TS

“ The Colonial Student Ministry Staff purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Karen C. Goodman.



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**The Colonial Student Ministry Staff** - May 01, 2017 at 08:35 AM

JD

“ To Matt, Steven and Danny and all of Karen's family -- Karen was one of my first close friends in Bartlesville in the early 1970s. When my children, Andy and Lauren, and the Lauffer boys were pre-schoolers (except maybe Matt was in Kindergarten), we all spent Mondays together, alternating between the Dreiling house and the Lauffer house. We got together in the morning, had lunch, the kids played and sometimes napped, and Karen and I did cross-stitch and needlepoint, solved the world's problems and supervised the children, as well as a few dogs. I do not remember how long that went on, a year or two perhaps. The two families also owned a sailboat together, and we spent many a weekend camping at Hulah lake, even when Lauren and Danny were still in playpens. As neither family had parents or siblings in Bartlesville, we occasionally spent Thanksgiving and other holidays together as well. Karen was a wonderful and devoted mother and very involved with her children's school and other activities. When I heard about her Alzheimer's diagnosis, it was difficult for me to imagine this brilliant woman having to deal with that terrible disease. But it is even harder to know that she has passed. Our lives go by so quickly. I know Karen would want each of you to go on with your lives and enjoy every day.

*With sympathy and fond memories,*

*Jan Dreiling  
Bartlesville, OK*

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Janice (Jan) P. Dreiling - April 30, 2017 at 02:51 PM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen C. Goodman.*



April 29, 2017 at 06:02 PM



“ *Jan Jones, Cin & Corey Nelson, Willi & Dave Baker purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Karen C. Goodman.*



**Jan Jones, Cin & Corey Nelson, Willi & Dave Baker** - April 29, 2017 at 04:53 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen C. Goodman.*



April 29, 2017 at 12:10 PM



“ *Don and Susan Lauffer purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Karen C. Goodman.*



**Don and Susan Lauffer** - April 28, 2017 at 02:03 PM



“ *Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Karen C. Goodman.* ”



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April 28, 2017 at 01:32 PM