



Karen M. Hughes

December 19, 1939 - April 4, 2015

Karen M. Hughes

75, of Crystal Falls, passed away on Saturday, April 4th at her home.

Karen was born December 19, 1939 in Sagola, MI, daughter of the late Norman and Kathryn (Cowling) Blazier. She was a 1958 graduate of Iron Mountain High School. Karen lived in Iron Mountain until her marriage to Garrit Hughes on February 1, 1958 at Immaculate Conception Church in Iron Mountain. She worked for Frigo Cheese for several years and most recently for Guardian Angels Church. At Guardian Angels, Karen was the cook and housekeeper. She served as CCD coordinator for over thirty years retiring in 2005. Karen continued being active in the church, serving as an extraordinary minister and greeter as well as serving as president of the Ladies Guild and co-manager of the St. Vincent DePaul store in Crystal Falls. She was very involved with St. Vincent DePaul food pantry. Karen loved spending time with her family, her grandchildren and great grandchildren were the center of her life. She enjoyed flower gardening and was an excellent cook, baker and cake decorator.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her brothers, Duane Blazier, Paul Blazier, Murrill Blazier and Sam Blazier

She is survived by her husband, Garrit "Buck"; six daughters, Carol Hughes of

Crystal Falls, Patricia (Arnold) Abrahamson of Crystal Falls, Lauri (Scott) Oberlin of Crystal Falls, Mary (Chester) Stroka of Crystal Falls, Paula (Larry) Engstrom of Crystal Falls and Barbara (Jeff) Camp of Crystal Falls; six grandsons, Cory, William, Eric, Josh, Anthony and Brandon; six grand daughters, Theresa, Sarah, Emily, Danielle, Katie and Amber; great grandchildren, Kris, Ethan, Isziah, Kahlia, Cooper, Myles, Jack and Drew; her sister, Lillian (Duane) Perron; her brother, Harold Blazier; an aunt and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Visitation will be from 9:00-11:30am Thursday, April 9th at the Nash Funeral Home of Crystal Falls. Funeral services will be at 12:00 noon Thursday, at Guardian Angels Church in Crystal Falls. Fr. Raymond Valerio will offer the Mass of Christian burial.

In lieu of flowers, memorial may be made in her memory to the Crystal Falls St. Vincent DePaul food pantry.

Condolences to the family of Karen Hughes may be expressed online at www.nashfuneralhome.net

The family has entrusted the Nash Funeral Home and Cremation Services with the arrangements.

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 9. 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

Nash Funeral Home
104 North Third St.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Mass of Christian Burial

APR 9. 12:00 PM (CT)

Guardian Angels Catholic Church
412 Crystal Ave.
Crystal Falls, MI 49920

Tribute Wall

ST

“ *Sharon Terrell lit a candle in memory of Karen M. Hughes*



Sharon Terrell - April 11, 2015 at 05:38 PM

ST

One of the best Aunties that anyone could ask for. Her love gave comfort to us all. She is missed so much. Love you all from Sharon, Nick , Casey, Tracey and Laura

Sharon Terrell - April 11, 2015 at 05:40 PM

MH

“ *Barbara, Paula, Mary, Laurie, Pat, Carol and Mr. Hughes - May you find comfort in memories and strength in each others love through this difficult time. I am saddened to hear of the loss of your wonderful mother and wife.*

*Mary Heinz (Reinke)
Sheboygan, WI*

Mary Heinz - April 09, 2015 at 10:14 PM

LB

“ *Buck and Family, Sending heartfelt sympathy and prayers to all at the loss of Karen. We are thinking of you with love. God bless you. David and Lynn Brooks*

lynn brooks - April 09, 2015 at 11:59 AM

BP

“ Auntie/Godmother/Friend
We love you and will miss you. You always took the time for us or made us feel at home in your home. Whether it was through a hug or a meal you always made sure we were included, appreciated, and made to feel special. Our hearts will never be whole without you.
To our cousins and Uncle,
We know there is no consoling in this difficult hour, so we offer our love, hugs, and support. She is smiling now in the house of our Lord and in this thought, we take solace.
God Bless You All,
Brian and Jeanne

B.J. Perron - April 09, 2015 at 10:31 AM

RK

“ Robert K. purchased the Sweetest Sunrise Bouquet for the family of Karen M. Hughes.



Robert K. - April 08, 2015 at 06:27 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Karen M. Hughes.



April 07, 2015 at 11:37 PM

DJ

“ *Deron & Shelli Johnson purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Karen M. Hughes.*



Deron & Shelli Johnson - April 07, 2015 at 05:34 PM

NJ

“ *Auntie Karen was always such a sweet, caring, and thoughtful person. Truly an angel here on Earth. God must have some very big plans for her. She always was there for a hug and a smile whenever you walked into greet her. She was an amazing woman, and my heart is breaking for Uncle Buck, the girls, and her grand kids. We will all miss her so much, and she will all be remembered as the angel she was. Rest in Paradise Auntie!!* ❤️



Nicole Johnson - April 07, 2015 at 05:18 PM

DJ

“ *Deron & Shelli Johnson lit a candle in memory of Karen M. Hughes*



Deron & Shelli Johnson - April 07, 2015 at 04:22 PM



“ *Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen M. Hughes.*



April 07, 2015 at 01:27 PM



“ *Buck, Carol, Pat, Lauri, Mary, Paula, & Barbara so sorry to hear of the passing of your wife, & mother. I worked for Karen & Buck at Frigo cheese. Very nice people! Karen & her smile will be missed.*

Robbi - April 06, 2015 at 06:01 PM



“ *Bill and Connie Nadiger & Family purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Karen M. Hughes.*



Bill and Connie Nadiger & Family - April 06, 2015 at 04:28 PM



“ *Craig B. purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Karen M. Hughes.*



Craig B. - April 06, 2015 at 03:47 PM

PW

“ I loved Karen to pieces since I met her in the early 1970's. She raised a wonderful bunch of girls. Her heart had no boundaries. I saw her a few weeks ago and got to tell her I loved her. I mentioned how she never aged and she said with pride 'grandkids keep you young' . I will miss her beautiful smile. R.I.P. old friend. You will be sorely missed.

Paulie Williams - April 06, 2015 at 03:17 PM

Jackie Dillabough

“ Whenever we had a family function you could always count on Aunt Karen to jump in and help in the kitchen. So many times she has been there to help out. She was an amazing woman with a heart made out of GOLD. A true Christian woman. She will be missed.

Jackie Dillabough - April 06, 2015 at 10:24 AM

BS

“ Beth Santu lit a candle in memory of Karen M. Hughes



beth santu - April 06, 2015 at 09:27 AM

BH

“ With Sympathy, remember that when your heart seems empty, fill it with happy memories to help you find your smile!



Brenda & Garit Hughes - April 06, 2015 at 06:15 AM



“ Jean Nadiger Escamilla lit a candle in
memory of Karen M. Hughes



Jean Nadiger Escamilla - April 06, 2015 at 04:44 AM

JE

*During your journey on your final flight home.
White wings will carry you and you will be flown.
To the pearly gates of Heaven, where they will usher you in.
To the feet of your Lord, your Saviour, and your friend.
He will hold you in his arms and the angels will sing.
As another one of His children is delivered by white wings.*

Jean Escamilla - April 06, 2015 at 05:29 PM