



## Karen Knick Shumate

December 31, 1959 - July 24, 2016

Karen Knick Shumate, 56, of 1788 Hunters Lane, Blairs, VA died Sunday, July 24, 2016 at Danville Regional Medical Center after a decline in her health for the past seven months.

Karen was born in Danville, VA on December 31, 1959, a daughter of the late Jackie Neal Knick and Carolyn Heffinger Knick. She lived her life in Danville, VA and retired, due to her disability, in 2009 from Head Start of Danville where she worked as an Administrative Assistant.

She was of the Methodist faith and she loved spending time with her family and attending her children's sporting events.

On July 19, 1980 she married Carl William Shumate II, who survives.

In addition to her husband, of the residence, she is survived by a son, Drake C. Shumate, of Lynchburg, VA; a brother, Clay Knick, and his wife Lisa, of Winchester, VA; and a sister, Ellen Vinson, of Greensboro, NC.

Karen was predeceased by a son, Marc Harris.

A graveside service will be held on Thursday, July 28, 2016 at 2:00 P.M. at Danville Memorial Gardens with the Reverend Linwood Cook officiating. The family will receive friends on Thursday from 12:00 until 1:30 P.M. at the

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel. At other times they will be at the residence.

The family suggests memorial donations may be made to the Blairs Fire and Rescue, P.O. Box 242, Blairs, VA 24527.

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel is serving the Shumate family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL **28**. 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Wrenn-Yeatts Westover Chapel

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# Tribute Wall

RF

“ My family would like to send sincere condolences to the Shumate family for the loss of you dear loved one. May you find comfort and hope from the bible promise at Isaiah 25:8. Pray constantly, avoid isolation, and lean on God as you cope during this most difficult time.

Richardson Family - July 28, 2016 at 12:02 PM

KW

“ Bill and Drake, from across the miles I send deep sympathy at this time of loss. Know that you are loved by many. May you find peace and strength in our Savior, Jesus.

Kathy Weitzel

Kathy Weitzel - July 27, 2016 at 07:24 PM

LO

“ Love, Bill & Ellen Orchard-Hays purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Karen Knick Shumate.



Love, Bill & Ellen Orchard-Hays - July 27, 2016 at 03:36 PM

CH

“ Bill:  
I have no words other than I am so very sorry. I wish I could make it better but know Karen is pain free and hanging out with Marc. I wish you strength through this difficult time. Know that I am here anytime you need me. Hugs to you and Drake.

Chantel

Chantel Hollen - July 26, 2016 at 06:03 PM

TG

“ *The Hand Center Of Greensboro purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Karen Knick Shumate.*



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**The Hand Center Of Greensboro** - July 26, 2016 at 02:54 PM

TC

“ *My deepest condolences to the Shumate family. I worked at CIC-Head Start with Karen. where we had some wonderful times. She was always sweet and kind who loved Bill, a her sons and talked about them all the time. Gone But Not Forgotten!*

*Love and prayers,*

*Theresea W. Cobbs*

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**Theresea Cobbs** - July 26, 2016 at 02:10 PM



“ *Strength & Solace Spray was purchased for the family of Karen Knick Shumate.*



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July 26, 2016 at 11:31 AM

BR

“ Beverly Robertson lit a candle in memory of Karen Knick Shumate



Beverly Robertson - July 26, 2016 at 11:20 AM

BW

“ Dear Clay, Ellen and family,  
We are so, so terribly sorry for your loss.  
It is very difficult to imagine someone you grew up with and you continue to think of in that light, as being gone.  
I pray Karen was not in any physical pain or distress. As a mother who has lost a child, I can imagine how much she suffered since her son's passing.  
Your family will be in our thoughts and prayers during this sad time. May The Lord Bless you all.  
Billie (Carter) and Jim Wyatt, Cindy (Carter) Kirkland and Susan Carter



Billie Wyatt - July 26, 2016 at 08:09 AM



“ Pink Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Karen Knick Shumate.



July 25, 2016 at 09:56 PM

SR

“ So sorry to see and hear of Karen's passing. I worked with her@Hecks but had lost touch with her...So sorry for your loss. The family is in my thought and prayers Susan Reynolds



susan reynolds - July 25, 2016 at 07:24 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Karen Knick Shumate.



July 25, 2016 at 06:21 PM

LJ

“ Bill and family ,I was so sorry to hear about Karen .She was such a sweet ,good persons . I have fond memories of her when we all worked at Heck 's in 1983. Praying God will help you through this . . Linda Jarrett ,Danville Va.



Linda jarrett - July 25, 2016 at 06:00 PM

LJ

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Linda jarrett - July 25, 2016 at 05:56 PM

DT

“ *Drake and Bill: Please know that we are so very, very sorry at the passing of Karen. We have many fun memories at the boy's schools and the ball field. We send our deepest sympathy and will have you both in our prayers.*

*Darlene and Kenneth Travis (Rodney's mom)*

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**Darlene Travis** - July 25, 2016 at 02:11 PM