



Grace Carol Kern

February 3, 1949 - January 10, 2022

KERN, Grace C. age 72, January 10, 2022

Beloved wife of Michael L. Kern, Jr. for 52 cherished years. Dearest mother of Ginger (Kevin) Kinney and Michael, III (Amanda) Kern. Proud grandmother of Meghan, Michael Leo IV, Andrew and Brooke. Dear sister of Joseph Mastrogiacommo and Daniel (Ruth) Mastrogiacommo. Visitation Thursday 3-9pm at Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. (Shelby Township), 54880 VanDyke at 25 Mile Rd. Funeral Friday 11:00am at Shelby Bible Church 47905 Hayes Rd. friends are welcome to visit at 10:00am.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN **13.** 3:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

Wujek-Calcaterra & Sons, Inc. Shelby Township
54880 VanDyke Ave
Shelby Township, MI 48316

Instate / Funeral Service

JAN **14.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Shelby Bible Church
47905 Hayes
Shelby Twp., MI 48315

Tribute Wall

SA

“ Although it was not a long time, the members of the River Hall Quilters cherish the contribution Grace made with her friendship and quilting. She brought happiness to children in need through QuiltsforKids. I enjoyed her gentle ways.
Shelly Albert, Alva, Florida

s Albert - January 17, 2022 at 04:43 PM

RR

“ So sorry to hear about the passing of Grace. Her technical expertise and warm personality made her a respected and loved member of the Fraser High School Community. Millard Pickney's post below (about how Grace handled drawings from his daughter Jennifer) shows the kindness that surrounded Grace. Gary Freismuth, perhaps the administrator who worked closest with Grace, gained instant credibility every time he reported “Amazing Grace” as the source of the data he was presenting. “Amazing Grace” is the memory that I, and several Fraser High School staff and faculty members, carry with us.

Rick Repicky - January 16, 2022 at 02:12 AM

MP

“ We were having difficulties with the student information system and I would return in the evening to work on the problem. My daughter Jennifer would accompany me and while I applied fixes she would draw a picture to leave for Grace. The next time we returned the drawing was posted on the wall. A friendship developed and the gallery of pictures grew. Jennifer still speaks of the bond that developed over 30 years ago. We are deeply sadden by the loss of our friend and coworker. Our condolences to the family.

Millard Pickney - January 15, 2022 at 09:15 PM

CP

“ she was a good person. loved her. my love goes to her family.
cathy paparelli

cathy paparelli - January 14, 2022 at 02:23 PM

RL

“ We just finished watching Grace's funeral service. Every speaker was wonderful. So thankful that God connected us many years ago, because her friendship helped us in so many different ways. Grace was a blessing to everyone she knew. Our prayers go out to Mike, Michael, Ginger and all the family for their great loss. Her grace and generosity was known to all.
With love, Pastor Don and Beverly Lunsford

Rev. Donald Lunsford - January 14, 2022 at 12:46 PM



“ I am so sorry for your loss. Grace was one of the kindest, gentlest people I know. She will be missed. My prayers are with your entire family. God bless you.
SANDY SEAMAN

Sandy Seaman - January 13, 2022 at 10:27 PM

LS

“ Dearest Friends, we are so sorry for the loss of your precious wife, mother, grandmother, sister; your dearest Grace. She was duly named. Her persona and approach to God and others was always Grace-ful. We are praying for your peace and comfort and regret not being able to see you in person due to illness. You are, however, in our prayers. Love you, Dave and Lynda Stallwood

Lynda Stallwood - January 13, 2022 at 05:38 PM

TT

“ SO SORRY TO HEAR OF GRACE PASSING AWAY. SHE WILL BE MISSED. OUR LOSS BUT HEAVENS GAIN... ..ABSENT FROM THE BODY PRESENT WITH THE LORD. SHE IS REJOICING IN HEAVEN WITH JESUS...WILL BE KEEPING THE FAMILY IN OUR PRAYERS...

JOE & TAMMY TROST

TAMMY TROST - January 13, 2022 at 03:14 PM

RI

“ Rev. Harry & Toni Gruits, Rhema Int'l purchased the Small Garden Dish for the family of Grace Carol Kern.



Rev. Harry & Toni Gruits, Rhema Int'l - January 13, 2022 at 01:42 PM

DF

“ Duane, Patti and families purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Grace Carol Kern.



Duane, Patti and families - January 13, 2022 at 12:23 PM



“ Delightful Dieffenbachia was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.



January 13, 2022 at 11:05 AM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.



January 13, 2022 at 10:40 AM

MS

“ Michelle Schabel lit a candle in memory of Grace Carol Kern



Michelle Schabel - January 13, 2022 at 09:21 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.



January 12, 2022 at 11:41 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 12, 2022 at 10:27 PM

KH

“ *I was very saddened to hear of Grace's passing. I worked closely with her for several years at Fraser High School. She was one of the most loving, kindest and caring people I have ever met. I can still hear her beautiful laugh and see her warm smile. My sympathy to her family, whom she loved so very much. She certainly lived up to her name.*

Karen Hartman-Burcar - January 12, 2022 at 08:06 PM

TM

“ *TOM MCMATH purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



TOM MCMATH - January 12, 2022 at 05:56 PM

FB

“ *From Mark & Meredith Barineau purchased the Gracious Lavender Basket for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



From Mark & Meredith Barineau - January 12, 2022 at 04:15 PM

SD

“ *Sincere sympathy on the loss of Grace. Grace and I worked together at FHS for many years. I remember all the hard work, dedication and compassion Grace had for all employees at FHS. Her smile was enough to make a bad day go well. Due to increase of COVID, I send my prayers to the entire Kern Family. Sharon Danko retired FHS employee.*

Sharon Danko - January 12, 2022 at 03:22 PM



“ *Love's Tapestry was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 12, 2022 at 12:06 PM



“ *Bountiful Rose Basket was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 12, 2022 at 12:04 PM



“ *Gracious Lavender Basket was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 12, 2022 at 12:00 PM

TR

“ *Terry and Jean (Orava) Roberts purchased the Your Light Shines for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



Terry and Jean (Orava) Roberts - January 12, 2022 at 11:30 AM



“ *Crystal Cross Bouquet was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 12, 2022 at 11:10 AM

JT

“ Grace, as defined, had elegance, goodwill, and beauty! Oh and a constant beautiful smile.

Living just a few houses away we got the luxury of seeing her gracious smile often. We will never forget the amazing homemade cannelloni's she made us soon after we moved in (which Joe still compares to every Italian restaurant "Nope, not as good as Grace's"). I mentioned one day how great her sauce was and of course she invited me over to make it with her. I didn't realize I had to make the noodles too? 😭 But boy was it amazing ! We had fun laughing in her kitchen... but Grace, I never mastered your talent.

Back in the late 90's Grace pulled up in our driveway with a bright red convertible LeBaron - she was beaming and said "want to go for ride" with her big giggle that shook down to her shoulders. Of course I wanted to, and so we did!

Grace, heaven has a beauty (we will miss)! I can see you walking around Heaven with your apron on, maybe making pasta for my dad who departed last year on the same day, January 10th - I'm certain you made his first Anniversary there special! See you there Grace!

Joe and Kim Tibbetts

Joe and Kim Tibbetts - January 12, 2022 at 10:34 AM



“ Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.



January 12, 2022 at 10:21 AM

SD

“ Steward Fund Board of Directors. purchased the Strength & Solace Spray for the family of Grace Carol Kern.



Steward Fund Board of Directors. - January 12, 2022 at 10:12 AM



“ *Basket of Memories was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 12, 2022 at 10:09 AM

TA

“ *Terry, Rhea, Kyra, Jackson & Lily Allen purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



Terry, Rhea, Kyra, Jackson & Lily Allen - January 12, 2022 at 09:19 AM

JM

“ *Joe, Dan, & Ruth Mastro purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



Joe, Dan, & Ruth Mastro - January 12, 2022 at 08:42 AM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 12, 2022 at 08:04 AM

SM

“ *I always remember Aunt Grace smiling. She cultivated her simple faith when she gave me a stack of church music at age 9, believing I would learn this music and play piano in church well before piano teachers had shown me how to even read these kind of lead sheets. Aunt Grace aimed higher, believing the seed she sowed would bring a harvest, and, of course, she always knew how to laugh along the way!*

Steven Mastrogiacono - January 11, 2022 at 09:40 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 11, 2022 at 08:32 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 11, 2022 at 08:29 PM



“ *Enduring Grace was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 11, 2022 at 08:26 PM

VJ

“ *Vedder Price: Jim G., Jim A., John, Jake purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



Vedder Price: Jim G., Jim A., John, Jake - January 11, 2022 at 06:49 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 11, 2022 at 06:40 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 11, 2022 at 05:17 PM

MT

“ *My best memories are going to a third-world missions with this beautiful, elegant woman. I was so impressed with her gentleness, love and compassion for the family we were building a home for. She brought so much laughter to our group. Here I thought she would squirm away from the "roughing it" part of the trip. NO, not Grace! She laughed, deposited her tissue in the bucket and slept in a bunk bed with dirt floors. What a hoot! Elegant through and through, Jackie Kennedy had nothing over Grace Kern. She will be remembered fondly by our family. Mike and Ginger...you were blessed to have such a WONDERFUL mother and role model.*

Marilee Trombley - January 11, 2022 at 05:13 PM

EC

“ *Dear Mike , Ginger and Michael ,
My heart is broken knowing we lost one of the most beautiful women I have ever met . But rejoicing knowing she is in heaven with our savior and out of pain . Her gentle spirit and soft voice always drew me in as she would speak to me prayerfully , with confidence and tell me “ Now Elena , everything is going to be just fine . Let’s pray together . “ I felt like I was talking to an Angel . I truly loved her ! I will miss her so .
Our love to you and your family , Cam and Elena*

Elena Cadarean - January 11, 2022 at 04:56 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Grace Carol Kern.*



January 11, 2022 at 04:01 PM

SS

“Dear Mike and family,

As I write this I am so glad Grace isn't in any more pain and sitting with her Savior. As the tears flow as I look back at our memories of our teenage years together, she became part of my family and I was part of hers. We had many sleepovers. And long talks together. When I got married and moved to Canada we didn't see much of each other because of work and looking after our families.

In the last few years that we have seen more of each other again, it was just like we never had so many years apart. Mike, John and I were so glad to get to know you, and thank you for bring Grace to visit.

We were blessed every time you came for a visit. The time Grace stayed for a few days will be something I will never forget. She came with her sewing machine and we were going to quilt together. But we got very little sewing done, because we spent more time talking about the Lord and our families..

I hope you will still come for a visit some day this summer.

Grace was A true Woman of God. She told me and I am sure others. that she was ready to meet Jesus, not one day earlier. or not one day later then He was ready for her.

May Jesus be your strength, May He give you peace. And some day we will all meet together again

Love Sharon and John Stein.

Sharon Stein - January 11, 2022 at 03:19 PM

SJ

“Dearest Mike and family : Sweet Grace... her name not only reflects her character, but that was also her personality. She was such a caring person to all those that she met and her gentleness and smile was especially what I remember about Grace. She truly loved the Lord and always wanted to serve Him by serving others and give Him her best.

Our hearts are heavy this morning as we grieve her passing with you and your family. Precious memories come to mind as we remember all the times our paths crossed. The Mastro family hold a very special place in our heart and lives💕💕 We are comforted that she is no longer suffering with horrible pain in her earthly body, but is with her Lord — FOREVER! We send our hugs and love across the miles.

*Sharon & Brian Johnson
Peoria, AZ*

Sharon & Brian Johnson - January 11, 2022 at 02:49 PM

KD

“ *Lovely, sweet yet strong, caring and hospitable! That was Grace. She and her family were some of the first people to greet and welcome us into the church when we first arrived. Inviting us for home meals and encouraging their kids to include ours when we were "strangers" in a new place. Our hearts grieve with her family at this loss...but rejoice that she is with our Lord! Sending deepest sympathies and love along with our prayers to Mike, Ginger, Mike jr. and family!*

Kathy Dykstra - January 11, 2022 at 01:24 PM