



## Karen Pruitt

March 24, 1963 - May 14, 2024

Karen Kay Pruitt, 61, of Louisiana, MO, passed away on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 in Louisiana, MO. She was born on March 24, 1963 in Louisiana, MO to Sonny Pruitt and Helen Marie Pruitt.

She is survived by her daughters, Michelle “Shelly” Harrison (Frederick) of Louisiana, MO, and Nicole Pruitt of St. Louis, MO, her mother, Helen Marie Pruitt of Louisiana, MO, and her grandchildren, Mechia Campbell, Tyona Campbell, Nakya Griffith, Donnell Griffith, Destiny Pruitt, and Kameron Griffith all of Louisiana, MO.

She was preceded in death by her father Sonny Pruitt, a sister, Angie Pruitt, and a grandson, Aries Campbell.

Karen lived in Louisiana her whole life. She attended and graduated from Louisiana High School. She started her nursing career of 40+ years at Smith-Barr Manor working as a CNA and then becoming a LPN through Pike Lincoln Technical Center. She later received her Registered Nurse Degree and worked as an Assistant Director of Nursing. After Smith-Barr Manor closed, Karen stayed in healthcare working at several area nursing homes as well as in-home care through Advantage Nursing. Karen was always the go-to person, whether it would be for advice, or just to listen. So many people would stop by and sit on the porch and have porch talk. Her love and compassion for others is what made her a great mom, grandma, and nurse, but most importantly a great friend. Her grandchildren were her biggest accomplishment and enjoyed watching them grow. She will be greatly missed

by all who has had the privilege to know her.

Her wishes were to be cremated and a celebration of her life will be held at a later date. Cremation rites are under the direction of Collier Funeral Home, Louisiana, MO. On-line condolences may be sent at [collierfuneral.com](http://collierfuneral.com)

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

JUN 8. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (CT)

The Keely Center  
3523 Georgia St  
Louisiana, MO 63353

# Tribute Wall

DM

“ Dorothy McDaniel lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt



Dorothy McDaniel - August 05, 2024 at 07:46 PM

NP

“ Karen Pruitt was the best mother in the world she was always understanding giving and had a heart of gold she will be greatly missed by me her daughter Nicole Pruitt. I will miss the talks we would have on the phone I will miss the good advice she always had to give no matter what the question was she always had the answer. I would like to give a huge thanks to everyone that has a chance to leave a comment of the real woman Karen Pruitt was to them in addition I have created a company called Dr Karen's creative creations in memory of my mother Karen Pruitt. I am located in St Louis Missouri my phone number is 314-561 2434. My email is drkarenscreativecreations@gmail.com God bless everyone and thank you very much.

Nicole Pruitt - July 17, 2024 at 10:15 AM

AT

“ I met Karen while working at a nursing home as a new CNA. She was always kind and encouraging. She had a goodness to her and it showed in her care for everyone else. My mother also spoke highly of Karen.

Amy Turner - May 29, 2024 at 06:59 PM

DS

“ *Debbie Stevens lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*



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**Debbie Stevens** - May 29, 2024 at 09:40 AM

GB

“ *I first met Karen at Pike Lincoln technical Center. She was a young lady that had a desire to give her herself in the care of others. She achieved this goal, as she was a very caring, compassionate and dependable lady. She was a lady who demonstrated, what a nurse is. I will always have fun memories of Karen. My sympathies to the family at this time of sorrow.*

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**Gail Branstetter** - May 22, 2024 at 10:09 AM

DS

*Karen was my neighbor, she was compassionate loving caring women. Always there to help when needed. I'm going to miss you my dear friend. R.I.P.*

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**Debbie Stevens** - May 29, 2024 at 09:37 AM

BL

“ *Bryce And Doris Love lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*



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**Bryce and Doris Love** - May 21, 2024 at 12:22 PM

MW

“ Karen was a great nurse, friend, and the best boss I've worked with in my whole life. she was so patient and so kind, she was a great leader. May God bless her family, and keep her in the palm of your hand. We will meet again!

Maryon Webb - May 21, 2024 at 12:53 AM

MW

“ Maryon Webb lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt



Maryon Webb - May 21, 2024 at 12:44 AM

KR

“ So sorry for the loss of your loved one.. she will be missed by family and friends. She was such a great nurse. When I seen she had passed it was a shock to me May God be with her family.and friend'. R I P till we see you some day



kathy resor - May 20, 2024 at 08:15 PM

TM

“ My deepest sympathy be with her family. Karen will be missed by many!! Hugs and prayers be with All I. The days ahead 🙏



Tammi Ries Mcpike - May 20, 2024 at 01:08 PM

LW

“ I remember Karen at Smith-Barr when mom & I worked there,as well after that. She always has been very nice, and willing to help if she could do it. It saddens me greatly to learn of passing.



Lawanda Willis - May 19, 2024 at 11:33 PM

CO

“ Cindy Poyser Osborne lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt



Cindy Poyser Osborne - May 19, 2024 at 02:49 PM

WH

“ Karen set an example for me. I based a lot of my nursing career on what she taught me. She and I talked a couple of months ago about where all we had worked. She was a special lady

Wanda Harrison - May 18, 2024 at 08:10 PM

PP

“ Penny J Pearia lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt



Penny J Pearia - May 18, 2024 at 07:43 PM

MS

“ I worked with Karen Pruitt years ago at Smith Barr Manor. She was a great friend.  
Although I hadn't talked to her in years I still considered her as a friend. She will be greatly missed as a friend to alot of people and as a nurse. R.I.P. Karen

Margot Shelron - May 18, 2024 at 07:05 PM

SE

“ Karen was an amazing person ❤️ always so sweet and caring. My heart breaks for her loved ones.



Sylvia Elliott - May 18, 2024 at 06:19 PM

CW

“ Charlotte West lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt



Charlotte West - May 18, 2024 at 05:36 PM

NS

“ Love you miss you



Nicole Dyke Smith - May 18, 2024 at 05:19 PM

GT

“ *Golda Turner lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*



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**Golda Turner** - May 18, 2024 at 04:42 PM

GT

*Karen was my DON when I graduated from LPN school. She was a excellent DON and RN. We had some good times at Smith Barr, working under Karen made our jobs even better. She will be greatly missed. Shelly I am keeping you in my prayers . God Bless.*

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**Golda Turner** - May 18, 2024 at 04:49 PM

KH

“ *Kathy Harrison lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*



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**Kathy Harrison** - May 18, 2024 at 02:58 PM

ZC

“ *Zula Chandler lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*



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**Zula Chandler** - May 18, 2024 at 02:26 PM

KS

“ *Kathy Shrum lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*



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**kathy shrum** - May 18, 2024 at 01:10 PM

JW

“ *Jane Wilkinson lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*



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**Jane Wilkinson** - May 18, 2024 at 12:07 PM

LE

“ *We had so many good times. I learned a lot from her . So caring and always helping others. She will be missed.*



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**les** - May 18, 2024 at 12:05 PM

MD

“ *Margaret Dunn lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*



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**Margaret Dunn** - May 18, 2024 at 11:34 AM

AM

“ *Anita Mcdaniel lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*



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**Anita Mcdaniel** - May 18, 2024 at 11:06 AM

MB

“ *Melinda Brooks lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*



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**Melinda Brooks** - May 18, 2024 at 10:28 AM

TL

“ *The Lilleys lit a candle in memory of Karen Pruitt*

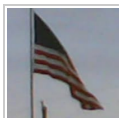


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**The Lilleys** - May 17, 2024 at 11:25 PM

SM

*Sorry for your family's loss*

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**Sammy meyers** - May 18, 2024 at 10:40 AM



*she will be missed*

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**Jim Shrum** - May 18, 2024 at 11:54 AM