



## Karen L. "Kare Bear" Bush

August 20, 1942 - February 6, 2022

Karen L. "Kare Bear" Bush, age 79, of Manteno passed away Sunday, February 6, 2022 at her home. She was born August 20, 1942 in Kankakee, the daughter of Percy & Ruby (Ferrell) Hester. Karen married Dale Bush on July 8, 1995.

Karen was a Billing Specialist. She was a very spiritual woman, very caring, and always putting others first. She was a loving Nana, mother, and wife.

Karen enjoyed sewing, reading, and knitting. She was meticulously organized and the best snickerdoodle maker.

Surviving are her husband, Dale Bush of Manteno; one son, Todd Marcotte (Cathy Velasquez) of Chicago; three daughters, Cassie Glynn of Tinley Park, Abby & Damon Graham of Danville, and Marissa Janowski of Limestone; eight grandchildren, Morgan, Clara, Olivia, Elisha, Noah, Brenna, Sebastian, and Emilia; several special nieces; and a loving extended family. Karen is preceded in death by her parents; one sister, Patty Overright; and her beloved dog, Riley;

Visitation will be held from 4-8 p.m. on Friday, February 11, 2022 at Clancy-Gernon Funeral Home in Bourbonnais. A funeral service will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, February 12, 2022 also at the funeral home. Private family interment will be held at Kankakee Memorial Gardens in Aroma Township. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Uplifted Care. <https://upliftedcare.org/make-a-difference/make-a-donation/>



# Cemetery Details

## Kankakee Memorial Gardens

15 S. 3000 E. Rd.  
Kankakee, IL 60901

# Previous Events

## Visitation

FEB 11. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Bourbonnais - Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes, Inc.  
295 Main St., NW  
Bourbonnais, IL 60914  
(815) 932-1214  
cgfuneral@gmail.com

## Funeral Service

FEB 12. 10:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JN

“ I am missing you, my dear dear friend. 😞 You know that Reva and I thought of you as our sister also. Our mothers were like sisters too. Save us a place at the Lord’s 🕊 Table. We will have a family reunion soon. 😊

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**Janice Nelson** - September 08, 2025 at 08:28 PM

HC

“ Dale, we are sorry for the passing of Karen. Hope everyone in your family is safe.

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**Harold & Janet Cooper** - February 12, 2022 at 11:59 AM

RM

“ Karen we are glad we had the pleasure of meeting you when we did, I drink coffee out of the mug that you gave me as a Christmas present last year.  
And the beautiful speech that you delivered at Todd and Cathy’s wedding will stay engraved in our hearts for a life time.  
May you Rest In Peace.  
With our sympathy Rick and Margie Martinez

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**Ricardo Martinez** - February 11, 2022 at 11:14 AM

 Todd  
Marcotte

“ Still thinking about you every day

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**Todd Marcotte** - February 11, 2022 at 10:35 AM



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Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - February 09, 2022 at 11:45 AM

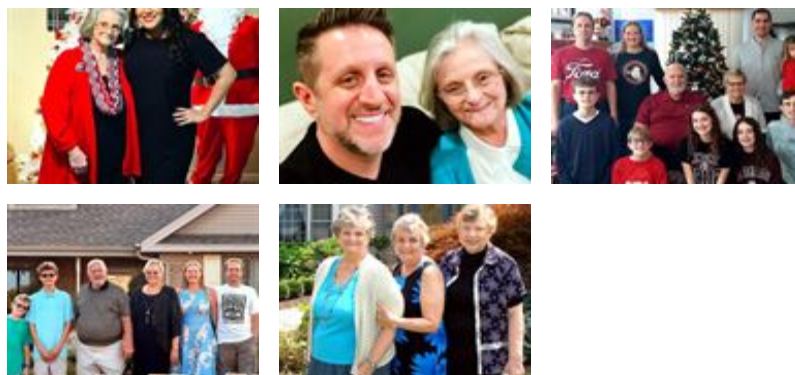
JN

*I remember Ruby and Percy's house in the picture on the left. There was a large picture of - "Jesus Standing at the Door and Knocking" behind the lamp.♥♥*

Janice Williams Nelson - February 10, 2022 at 04:01 PM



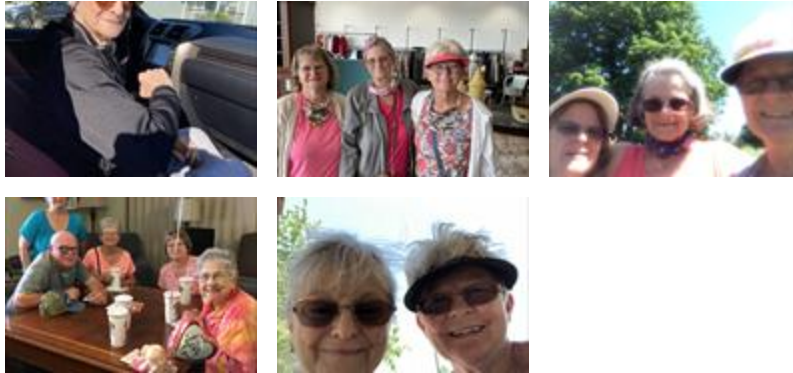
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Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes - February 09, 2022 at 10:15 AM

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**Cathy Lambert** - February 09, 2022 at 09:29 AM

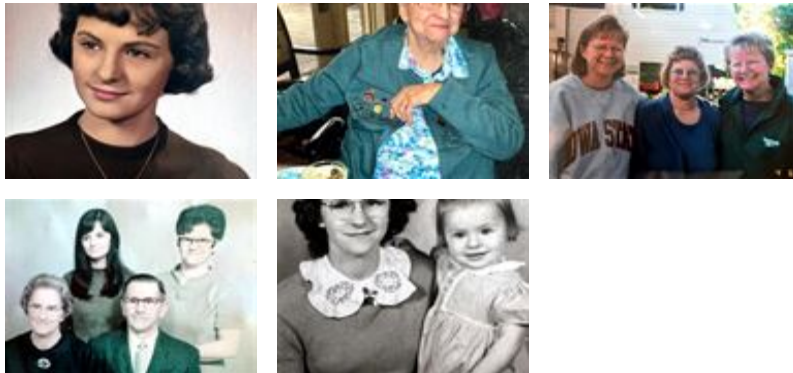
 Todd  
Marcotte

*Thanks for sharing Cathy, great photos and memories of my mother!*

**Todd Marcotte** - February 10, 2022 at 02:50 PM



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**Clancy-Gernon Funeral Homes** - February 08, 2022 at 05:33 PM

CS

“ My sincere sympathy to Todd, Dale and the entire family ❤️ you were a wonderful friend Karen and I will always miss you ❤️ Prayers and love to you all. 🙏❤️



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**Carla Scheppler** - February 08, 2022 at 11:23 AM

PS

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family Bill & Pat Sedorook 🙏🙏

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**Pat Sedorook** - February 08, 2022 at 06:24 AM