



Karen M. Christopher

February 13, 1970 - November 30, 2017

Karen M. Christopher age 47 a retired Petco Management Team Member passed away suddenly on Thursday, November 30, 2017 at Riverside Medical Center in Kankakee Illinois. She died of Pulmonary Embolism (a blood clot that traveled to her lungs).

Born in Kankakee Illinois she was the Daughter of Carol Ann (Wolfe) Tunks and Edward Claude Tunks and was a 1988 graduate of Herscher High School. In addition to her employment for Petco in Bradley she also gained employment with the Grooming Salon "The Dog Laundry" in Kankakee working for her best friend Kim Kuffel and also had worked at the Shell gas station in Bradley where she met and eventually married her co-worker Paul Christopher.

Karen found her spiritual healing and felt at home with American Native Indian culture where she found comfort in simplifying her religious belief to good will always prevail over evil. She believed in listening with her heart. She found much enjoyment attending Indian pow-wows across America and enjoyed meeting new people who shared her love and respect of nature, humans and all animals.

Karen will be remembered for her overwhelming love of all animals; for being a kind, fun hearted and happy soul; for her never ending smiling face and for

winning her battle with cancer. Karen loved the technology of internet gaming, loved reading, loved her family members and her friends and loved her garden of flowers.

Surviving are her beloved husband of 22 years, Paul Christopher Jr. and her younger brother Thomas Tunks (46) .

She is preceded in death by her father Edward Tunks and her mother Carol (Wolfe) Tunks and an older brother Carl Edward Tunks who died in a childhood accident.

Her presence on earth will be greatly missed by all those who knew her and by her many pets she leaves behind.

Family and Friends will meet Tuesday December 5, 2017 at Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home located at 1480 West Court Street in Kankakee for a memorial visitation that will be held from 4:00 PM -7:00 PM with a brief service after. Please make an effort to stop in and share stories and join her family in celebrating her life.

Previous Events

Memorial Visitation

DEC 5. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Kankakee - Clancy-Gernon-Hertz Funeral Home
1480 W. Court St.
Kankakee, IL 60901
(815) 932-1214
cgfuneral@gmail.com

Memorial Service

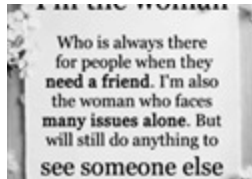
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Tribute Wall

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“ 2 files added to the tribute wall



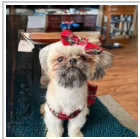
megan brooks - December 05, 2017 at 06:49 AM

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“ Megan Brooks lit a candle in memory of Karen M. Christopher



megan brooks - December 05, 2017 at 06:45 AM



“ Karen was an awesome cousin and friend, she was always there when I needed a shoulder to cry on and there to pick on me when I was feeling down. I love and miss you so much already Karen.



Susan Bernacki - December 04, 2017 at 11:36 PM



“ You will always be loved and never forgotten... Give my babies a kiss and hug from me.... Love you



Jennifer Williamson Fox - December 04, 2017 at 09:31 PM



“ Tom Tunks lit a candle in memory of Karen M. Christopher



Tom Tunks - December 04, 2017 at 07:28 PM

JB

Thoughts and sympathies for you and your family, Tom

John Bourrell - December 05, 2017 at 12:27 PM

DB

“ Dave And Sue Boudreau lit a candle in memory of Karen M. Christopher



Dave and Sue Boudreau - December 03, 2017 at 06:15 PM



“ Marlene Miuccio Adkanian lit a candle in memory of Karen M. Christopher



Marlene Miuccio Adkanian - December 03, 2017 at 12:01 PM



Paul, NO words can express my deepest sympathy for the loss of your beloved wife. I hope and pray that you stay strong and have comfort in knowing that she is in God's hands now. I am so deeply sorry for your loss!!! Always, Marlene

Marlene Miuccio Adkanian - December 03, 2017 at 12:08 PM