



Bridgett Karkkainen

December 28, 1975 - October 25, 2025

Bridgett Renee Karkkainen (née Mason), beloved wife, sister, aunt, and friend, passed away peacefully on October 25, 2025.

Born in Monroe, Michigan, on December 28, 1975, to Keith and Breanda Mason, Bridgett grew up with a passion for learning and a deep love for her family. She attended Michigan Technological University, where she joined the ADA sorority and formed lifelong friendships that remained an important part of her life long after graduation. After earning her degree, she married the love of her life, Matthew Karkkainen. Driven by her dedication and ambition, she later attended Oakland University on her journey to become a Certified Public Accountant.

Bridgett was known for her warmth, creativity, and zest for life. An avid cook, she delighted in crafting new recipes and hosting gatherings filled with laughter and love. She also had a deep appreciation for travel, always seeking new experiences and cultures to explore.

She is survived by her devoted husband of 20 years, Matthew; her sister, Lindsay Mason (Eric Younan); her cherished nieces and nephews, Annika Karkkainen, Anderson Karkkainen, Owen Karkkainen, Ian Karkkainen, and Marlowe Younan. Bridgett was preceded in death by her loving parents, Breanda and Keith Mason.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests that donations be made in Bridgett's name to one of the following organizations that reflect her generous spirit and love for children and animals:

- U.P. Kids (www.upkids.com)
- St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (www.stjude.org)
- Detroit Zoo (www.detroitzoo.org)

Previous Events

Memorial Gathering

NOV 8. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Wm. Sullivan and Son Funeral Directors-Royal Oak
705 W. Eleven Mile Road
Royal Oak, MI 48067

Memorial Service

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Tribute Wall



“ Heather and I have many fun memories flooding back of Bridgett and Matt. Celebrating the life lived and moments shared. UP Kids is supported in Bridgett's memory.

Nate H. - November 08, 2025 at 09:26 AM



“ Basket Full of Wishes was purchased for the family of Bridgett Karkkainen.



November 07, 2025 at 10:17 AM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Bridgett Karkkainen.



November 07, 2025 at 07:50 AM



“ Brad, Ann, Emma, Sophie, and family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bridgett Karkkainen.

Brad, Ann, Emma, Sophie, and family - November 07, 2025 at 07:50 AM

CF

“ COL and Mrs. Ed Fisher purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Bridgett Karkkainen.



COL and Mrs. Ed Fisher - November 05, 2025 at 10:19 PM

HF

“ Hunter Smith & Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Bridgett Karkkainen.



Hunter Smith & Family - November 05, 2025 at 02:25 PM

JD

“ To the family of Bridgett Karkkainen, please accept my condolences for the loss of your loved one. May you find peace in knowing that “God is close to the brokenhearted” as the Bible states at Psalms 34:18.

Julie D. - November 04, 2025 at 02:40 PM

DW

“ Bridgett and Matt were a major part of our Michigan Tech family. I recall many fond memories from college, including the cabin in the UP, Royal Oak events, and the ongoing house improvement projects. We will share a donation to UP Kids in her memory.

Don Wirkner - November 04, 2025 at 12:07 PM

MR

“ *Martin & Melissa Reutimann purchased the Dreams From the Heart Bouquet for the family of Bridgett Karkkainen.*



Martin & Melissa Reutimann - November 03, 2025 at 05:40 PM

MP

“ *Mark P. planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bridgett Karkkainen.*

Mark P. - October 30, 2025 at 11:56 PM

JB

“ *We remember Bridgett and Matt's wedding in the Butterfly room at the Detroit Zoo. I believe they had taken dance lessons for their first dance as a married couple.
We have donated money to the Detroit Zoo in Bridgett name to support the butterfly program.*

Janice Brogan - October 29, 2025 at 06:02 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Bridgett Karkkainen.*



October 29, 2025 at 04:34 PM

GE

“ Gene, Sandy, Linda, Stephanie, Sarah & Sean planted a grove of 5 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bridgett Karkkainen.

Gene, Sandy, Linda, Stephanie, Sarah & Sean - October 29, 2025 at 09:35 AM



“ Sweet Sincerity was purchased for the family of Bridgett Karkkainen.



October 27, 2025 at 01:46 PM

PP

“ Paul and April (Mason) Pappas planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Bridgett Karkkainen.

Paul and April (Mason) Pappas - October 27, 2025 at 01:46 PM

JE

“ Jessica (Anders) Erspamer purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Bridgett Karkkainen.



Jessica (Anders) Erspamer - October 27, 2025 at 01:41 PM