



## Karen Marie Burden

June 24, 1946 - October 9, 2009

Karen M. Burden, age 63, a resident of Royal Oak since 1967, died October 9, 2009 at her home. Wife of Jerry since June 9, 1967; they were married in Harper Woods. Loving mother of Robbyn Manoj Shah, Janelle Jason Hill and Bryce Burden. Dear Sister of Paula Richard Thompson. Proud aunt of many nieces and nephews. Mrs. Burden was active in PTA for many years where she was a past president at Whittier School. She was a Girl Scout and Brownie Leader. She was also on the Royal Oak Library Board for 12 years, a former x-ray technician at Beaumont Royal Oak, and a current board member of the Royal Oak Historic Study Committee. Visitation Wednesday 5-8 p.m. and Thursday 1-8 p.m. Funeral service Friday 10 a.m. at the Wm. Sullivan & Son Funeral Home, 705 W. 11 Mile Rd. 4 blocks E. of Woodward, Royal Oak. Memorials appreciated to the Friends of Royal Oak Public Library. Share your memories at [www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com).

# Tribute Wall

JB

“ Dear Jerry and family, I felt so bad upon hearing about Karen's passing. Our prayers are with you and your family.

Janie Pfister Bedell - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Our prayers are with your family during this time. We apologize for not being able to attend the services this past Friday, but we want you all to know that our thoughts were with you the entire week.

Tom & Anne Marie Ferratt - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NP

“ Jerry and family - so sorry to hear about your loss. My thoughts are with you all.

Nancy Peek - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ Kitty and I send our condolences. She told me to hug you, because she was out of town.

Andy Brandies - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DT

“ Dearest Jerry & Family, Dan and I remain deeply touched by your loss. Karen's passion and energy will be missed by so many. With Sincere Sympathy, Toby & Dan Gosselin

Dan & Toby - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RD

“ Karen, Your friendly and cheerful disposition will be missed at the Historic District Study Committee meetings. My sympathy to your loved ones - I can see that it was easy to love you. Rob

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**Rob Duchene** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KD

“ Jerry- I am so sorry. My parents and my family's thoughts and prayers are with you.

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**Karen Daggy** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ Our thoughts and our prayers are with you. May you find comfort with each other remembering the special times that you had together.

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**Mary Ann Casey** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ I remember Karen from when I was a little girl and I looked up to her and her sister. I remember visiting her parents with my mother Mary Casey and sister and grandparents Eleanor and John Pharris. Those are some very sweet memories. Although I have only visited once since moving "down south" I remember the hospitality shown when mother and I did visit for the wedding, I will never forget the friendship shown on that whirlwind weekend. A wonderful woman, gone from earth but not from the hearts of those who loved her.

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**Suzanne Brown** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MR

“ Burden Family- My mom told me the news. My thoughts and prayers are with you. I will remember the good times we had up north.

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**Melissa Madajski Rickabaugh** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

NT

“ Robbyn and Manoj, You are in our thoughts. We are here for you anytime any place. Love, Nancy and Jim

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**Nancy Tedder** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ Our deepest sympathy to the Burden Family. Karen was a very special person and will be missed. Fran, Rick, Brian, Rick & Andrea

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**The Elder Family** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CH

“ Jerry - So sorry to hear the news. We will include Karen and your family in our prayers.

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**Claudia & Gerry Hunter** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JE

“ Jerry, I am so sorry! I met Karen one time at your surprise birthday party I think it was your 50th and loved her the moment I met her!! Just know you are in my thoughts and my prayers!!

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**Jan Eldridge** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

TM

“ Robbyn and Manoj, I am so sorry for your loss. My deepest sympathy is with you. Terry Matheys-Krent

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**Terry Matheys-Krent** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

DA

“ Robbyn and Manoj, I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers go out to the both of you and your family. If ever you need anything, do not hesitate to ask. Thinking of you. Dave

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**Dave Abbott** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ I would like to express my condolences to the friends and family of Karen. She was an important part of the Historic District Study Committee and will be missed. You will be in my thoughts, and I wish you well in this difficult time.

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**Rob Moore** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

LM

“ Dear Robbyn and Manoj, I am so sorry to hear of your shocking loss. My heart breaks for you, Robbyn. I know that nothing I can say or do will take away any of your pain, but if I can alleviate your burden at all, please call on me. You and your family are in my thoughts. ~Liz

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**Liz Morgan** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ Karen was such a dynamo when she worked at school in the PTA. She loved to do things for and with her children. She was a wonderful person and will be missed. Your family is in my thoughts and prayers. Connie Maylone

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**Connie Maylone** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ We are truly sorry for your loss. We will keep your family in our thoughts and prayers. -The Drouillard Family

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**Michael Drouillard** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. May the love you all share carry you through this incredibly difficult time. Mary and Mark Byberg

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**Mary Byberg** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ We extend our deepest sympathy and condolences to you Jerry and your family. It was not expected and that has its own affect on you. We will see you in person may god bless you all with comfort and peace.

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**John & Robin Weber** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM

JF

“ Karen was a lovely lady and I shall miss her smile. We served on the Friends Library Board for a number of years. She was a dedicated woman for any task she undertook.

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**Joann Farmilo** - March 25, 2015 at 12:00 AM