



Karen Hayes

March 7, 1966 - February 19, 2012

Karen Denise Hayes ~ Age 45 ~ of Union Grove, Al. entered into rest on Sunday, February 19, 2012 at Marshall Medical Center North. Visitation will be held Tuesday, February 21, 2012 from 6:00 till 8:00 p.m. at Guntersville Memorial Chapel. Funeral service will be held Wednesday, February 22, 2012 at 2:00 pm at Guntersville Memorial Chapel. Interment will be at Panquin Cemetery.

Survivors include; Mother; Janie Keel of G'ville. Husband; Steve Hayes of Union Grove. Son; Adam Hayes of Union Grove. Sisters; Teresa (David) Butcher of Guntersville and Deloris (Randy) Yates of Guntersville. A host of loving friends and family.

Pallbearers; J.D. Hayes, Jason Hayes, Adam Hayes, Michael Green, Eric Abernathy and Gabriel Yates.

Tribute Wall

JA

“ Where do I begin Karen. I am so thankful to have had you in my life for 17 years. It was my honor to call you my sister in law. We had some good times and bad. I will always cherish the time that we spent together and remember you with a smile. My heart is still heavy but I know that you are at peace with the Lord and that the reunion you are having is wonderful. I will always love and miss you. I am doing my best to keep Steve strong and he is doing really good he misses you though and loves you so very much. This earth will never be the same without you. Till we meet again I love you

Janice Hayes - December 17, 2012 at 08:31 AM

MI

“ Karen was and will always be an Angel in my heart. She treated Jace & Bryant better than if they were her own children. She was as special to Jace as she was to Bryant. They were blessed to have her in their life & I feel certain she will always remain in their hearts.

Karen, your birthday gift arrived at my house the day we buried you....it just isn't fair. I love you & miss you. When Bryant wrestles w/Steve, he can no longer holler "KAREN KAREN" so that you can scold Steve.

Steve I love you & I hate this has happened to you. I'm proud to be part of your family...

Michelle Hayes - December 17, 2012 at 08:31 AM

BR

“ While we never fully understand why something like this happens, we must take comfort in the fact that the Lord always has a purpose.... and that He has prepared a place for us to gather again.... I am thankful to have known Karen, and because of the testimony she left behind -- I WILL see her again! Rely on His peace and promises during this tragic time...our prayers are with you all.

Brian Hacker - December 17, 2012 at 08:31 AM

AN

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you at this very sad time. Karen was a wonderful person with a beautiful smile and will be greatly missed.

Angie Porter - December 17, 2012 at 08:31 AM

DE

“ Family and Friends, I was one of her co-workers, and to paraphrase the words of another dear sweet person, THANK You So Much for sharing Karen with us. For allowing us to know the wonderful, generous adoring person she was.
She was our sister, co-worker, confidante, encourager, our pick-me-up whenever times got tough, but most of all she was my dear sweet friend!
Her beautiful smile will always be one of her trade marks to me, and the word fabulos!
My heart is very heavy and sad. May God comfort you all and keep you in his loving arms.
Just know that she did make her mark on this world!!!!

Deborah Widner - December 17, 2012 at 08:31 AM

KI

“ I am so sorry for your loss. I will miss Karen's smile and boundless energy. She embraced each day with enthusiasm and lived each day to the fullest. I am glad to have known her.

Kim Yates - December 17, 2012 at 08:31 AM

KA

“ No words can help you in a time like this. Please know that Karen will be missed by so many people that she touched during her life. With deepest sympathies during this difficult time.

Katherine Patton - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

ST

“ I am so sorry to hear about the passing of Karen. Only though I saw her at our meetings for our job, I knew right off that she was a wonderful person. I admired Karen very much. She always had a smile, kind words and was enthusiastic towards everyone. I feel honored that God allowed her and I to cross paths. I will always remember Karen!!

Wishing God's peace to you all,

Stephanie Kaylor

Stephanie Kaylor - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

RI

“ My sincerest condolences to Karen's family. Although I did not know Karen well, what I did know of her was all good. I was thanking her just 3 weeks ago for ministering to my chronically ill daughter. Karen will be missed by all who knew her.

Richard Collier - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

TA

“ As I read all the condolences written by friends, acquaintances, and co-workers, my chest fills with pride because, Karen was my friend too. I was blessed to have her in my life for 28 years. I have never heard anyone speak a harm word about Karen. If you knew her, you loved her. She was the same yesterday as she was the day before. Genuine. We shared good times and weathered bad times for each other. Steve, I thank The Lord for letting your path cross with Karen's. You were her world and made her happy beyond measure. You were supposed to grow old together, but for some reason that we will never know here on earth, The Lord called her home. What a joyous reunion she must be having with her Lord and Savior and her daddy and grandparents that adored her as I did. Karen Denise Keel Hayes...I love you and will cherish the memories. Thank you for allowing me to be your friend.

TAMMY WILLIAMS - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

PH

“ You and your family are in my thoughts and prayers. It was a pleasure to work with Karen. May your memories of her bring you comfort.

Phyllis McGuire - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

CA

“ You have suffered a great loss, as have all who knew and loved Karen. She was truly a treasure. May you be comforted in knowing that she will not be forgotten, and that loving friends care and are praying for you.

Carol Boman - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

AP

“ Difficult to find the appropriate words. Karen...loved by so many, but taken from us too soon. Heartbreaking. She was a precious, sweet, and caring co-worker and friend. Always the one with a warm smile, but quick to make a stand when necessary. Our thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time.

April Griffin - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

AN

“ My heartfelt condolences to Karen's family. Her loss has been devastating to her friends and I know you are feeling it even more. Karen was not only my friend and co-worker, she was my confidence and my cheerleader. I sought her opinions on my ideas and she was always willing to contribute to any project we had going. I will miss her more than words can say.

Ann Smith - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

RU

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you at this very difficult time. I am so sorry for your loss of this very special and sweet lady.

Ruan Jones - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

AN

“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Karen will be missed. I met Karen about 20 years ago when I came to work for the Soil & Water Conservation District, she was dedicated to her job and has been an inspiration to all of us.

Ann LaBore - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

PA

“ Karen was a most special person to me. She always made everyone feel welcome and loved. Although I only knew her through work functions, I loved her dearly and will miss her tremendously. She touched the hearts of everyone she met. My prayers for peace and comfort are with your family.

Paula Adams - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

DO

“ My thoughts and prayers are with each of you. When someone thinks of a true southern lady, filled with grace and charm and a wonderful smile that could light up the world, Karen certainly comes to mind. May you find peace in knowing that Karen will always hold a special place in many hearts.

Donna Lake - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

BR

“ My heart is so heavy and sad with the loss of my dear friend and co-worker. Karen was so special and loved by everyone that knew her. Steve, my thoughts and prayers will continue to be with you and family during the difficult days ahead. May the beautiful memories of Karen help ease the pain for all.

Brenda Wigginton - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

J.

“ I was very sorry to hear about Karen. I worked with her for several years and never heard anyone say but good things about her. Yall have been through a lot this past year and my thoughts and prayers will be with you. j.o.

J.O. NORRIS - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

KA

“ *All my love and prayers go out to you. Karen will live in my memory as a woman of great faith and love who gave of herself whenever and wherever the call for help was received.*

Katie Heath - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

DA

“ *Words cannot express the pain that is being felt in losing Karen. She was a pleasure to be around and so caring about everyone. She will be deeply missed and it will won't be the same without her.*

Dana Dabria - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

PA

“ *My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Karen's contagious smile will certainly be missed.*

Patricia Gunter - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

BE

“ Dear Family and Friends, I can not express to you the love that I have for Karen. She was the dearest, sweetest friend to me during my work with her at SWCD. She always greeted me with a smile, always offered a hug and an encouraging word and always made sure I knew she loved me. I have been thru some very hard times since I started my work with SWCD and Karen was always there encouraging me, and helping me believe that things would all work out. I will miss her every day. I will love her and carry her in my heart forever. I pray that God will give you wonderful fond memories to cover all the sadness in your hearts. I know that she left you with hearts full of love and that each of you have many many wonderful times to recall with her. You were all truly blessed to have spent your life with her, and I am truly blessed to have called her one of my very best friends. She definately made this old world a brighter place and I am sure heaven is shining brighter with every minute she is there. I love you all. Steve I am sure you know but Karen loved you with all she was, she told me your love story and assured me God had my Steve somewhere waiting for me. I found my Steve, he is as wonderful as she assured me he would be. The love you and Karen shared gave me hope to hold on until I found him. God bless you and strengthen you. Beth Rhea, Franklin County SWCD

Beth Rhea - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

MA

“ Very sorry for your loss. I knew Karen through the Southeast Conservation District family and she was a very sweet and compassionate person. She will be missed by us all. I will keep you all in my thoughts and prayers.

Martha Newby - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

CH

“ Please accept my deepest sympathy. My prayers are with you. Karen will be greatly missed by all of us. She is one of the sweetest, most giving persons that I have ever known. May God hold you in His arms and comfort you at this time.

Cheryl Hall - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

DA

“ My heart weighs heavy for your loss...i will keep the family in my prayers...God Bless!!!

Dawn Peters - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

MW

“ So sorry for your loss, deepest sympathy to you and your family.

McCormick Soil & Water Conservation District Commissioners and staff. McCormick, SC 29835

McCormick Soil & Water Conservation - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

CD

“ We are sending our deepest sympathy to you and your family. The Soil & Water Conservation District's family is a close one. We all share your loss. We will keep you all in our prayers. May God put his loving arms around you and give you peace & comfort in the days ahead.

The Chesterfield Soil & Water Conservation District Commissioners. Chesterfield, SC 29709

Chesterfield Soil & Water Conservation District - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

LI

“ To Karen's family and friends I send sincere sympathies. I knew Karen through the SE Conservation family. She was a special person. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this most difficult time.

Linda Hash - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

SH

“ We are very sorry for your loss. I am sure that our Heavenly Father has his arms around you all. We are praying for you all. Remember in Psalm 91 that His truth will be your shield & buckler & He will cover you with the feathers of His wings. Jesus died for all our sins; trust in Him to carry you thru. We are praying for peace & comfort for your family.

Sincerely,
Sharon Workman
Administrative Assistant
Chesterfield Soil & Water Conservation District
Chesterfield, SC 29709

Sharon Workman - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

AJ

“ We send our deepest sympathy to Steve and the whole Hayes Family. We pray God will wrap His loving arms around you all and hold you close. We love you all. Arlene and Wayne

Arlene & Wayne Jones - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

D(

“ You are all in our thoughts and prayers. May God surround you with family and Christian brothers and sisters to comfort you as you walk this painful road. When it gets too hard to walk, He will carry you. God bless you and give you the peace only He can.
Mike, Deb, & Jenna Stone

Deb (Stanton) Stone - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

ET

“ Karen was such a blessing to be around, she will be missed by all who knew her. Prayers are with all of you.

ETTA MASK - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

JT

“ We are so sorry to hear of the passing of our dear cousin Karen. You are in our thought and prayers as you are going through this difficult time .

Love Jerry, Carolyn and Tracey

Jerry & Tracey Waters - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

BR

“ As a coworker and friend of Karen's, I want you to know how very special she was to me and so many others. I can say nothing but wonderful things of her. In the years I've known her, she touched me in many ways with her thoughtfulness, compassion to others and her gift to give 110%+ to all I witnessed her do through her job and for the Alabama District Employees Association. As the President of ACDEA, I believe I represent all fellow members in saying Karen has blessed us with a legacy to follow and continue. As a fellow sister in Christ, I humbly say I look forward to the day I see her again in Heaven. May God Bless you Steve, Adam and the many hurting family and friends with peace that passes all understanding in the days ahead.

Bridget Cain - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM

JS

“ SHARON AND I ARE SO SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS. KAREN WAS A GOOD FRIEND. MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND BOTH OF THE FAMILIES OF KAREN. SORRY..... SHARON AND JOHN DAVID.

JOHN DAVID AND SHARON KARR - December 17, 2012 at 08:30 AM