



Kay J. Downing

August 17, 1942 - December 22, 2021

Kay J. Downing, 79, of Kearney, passed away December 22, 2021 at Kearney Regional Medical Center surrounded by her family. Mass of Christian Burial will be 10:30 am, December 29, 2021 at Prince of Peace Catholic Church with Father Paul Colling officiating. Burial will follow the service at Kearney Cemetery. Visitation will be from 5:00 to 7:00 pm, December 28, 2021 at Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl Funeral and cremation Services. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Kay's memory to Prince of Peace Catholic Church or Shriner's Hospital for Children.

Kay was born August 17, 1942, in Omaha, Nebraska and grew up in Kearney. She was the daughter of the late Robert and Ruth (Oliverius) Wilson.

She was a graduate of the class of 1960 at Kearney High School and received her bachelor's degree from Kearney State College.

Kay was an elementary school teacher in both Ft. Collins, Colorado and Kearney, Nebraska. She made a successful career as a realtor at Coldwell Banker and later continued as an appraiser for Quality Appraisers. She enjoyed gardening, playing golf and bridge, and was a member of Prince of Peace Catholic Church.

Surviving Kay are her husband of 55 years, Lorin Downing; son Rob (Aimee)

Downing of Mooresville, NC; son Brian Downing of Kearney; brother Bob (Patty) Wilson of Kearney. Kay was the proud grandmother to Connor and Claire Downing and an aunt to several nieces and nephews.

In addition to her parents, Kay was preceded in death by her sisters Nancy Larsen, and Diane Duren.

Cemetery Details

Kearney Cemetery

4400 Avenue I
Kearney, NE 68847

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC 28. 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Horner Lieske McBride & Kuhl
2421 Avenue A
Kearney, NE 68847
(308) 237-2259
<https://www.hlmkfuneral.com>

Mass of Christian Burial

DEC 29. 10:30 AM (CT)

Prince of Peace Catholic Church
2407 W 56th Street
Kearney, NE 68845

Tribute Wall



“ *Kay J. Downing*

January 29, 2023 at 11:14 AM



“ *So sorry to hear of your great loss, Loren and family. Please know you are in my thoughts and prayers for comfort and peace.*

Amy Kellogg - December 28, 2021 at 02:11 PM



“ *Please accept our condolences on the loss of Kay. Always sad to see these.*

From an old drag racer,

Larry J Thornton

Larry J Thornton - December 28, 2021 at 12:16 PM



“ *Sentiments of Serenity Spray was purchased for the family of Kay J. Downing.*



December 27, 2021 at 04:52 PM

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“ Kay was a wonderful friend. She loved her family and was a bright spark of energy wherever she was. Her wit was captivating; her laugh contagious. Kay and her beautiful smile will be greatly missed.

Carolyn Greenhalgh Wright

Carolyn Wright - December 27, 2021 at 11:05 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Kay J. Downing.



December 26, 2021 at 07:19 PM

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“ Love, James, Tiffany & Eleanor Davis purchased the Garden Accent Stone - "Wherever a Beautiful Soul..." for the family of Kay J. Downing.



Love, James, Tiffany & Eleanor Davis - December 23, 2021 at 05:38 PM