



Karlene Marie Burbach

February 18, 1940 - January 27, 2018

Karlene Marie Burbach, age 77, passed away on Saturday, January 27, 2018 at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive, Montana. A Memorial service will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, February 10, 2018 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive, Montana with Reverend Greg Lucido officiating. Interment will follow in Dawson Memorial Cemetery in Glendive. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Karlene Marie Burbach was born February 18, 1940, the first of four children, to Carl & Marie Deines Hass on the family farm north of Bayard, Nebraska. She excelled academically and graduated from Minatare High School. On June 23, 1957, Karlene married Roger Lee Burbach. To their union, two sons were born, Terry and Gregory. Karlene and Roger began their farming life together in Minatare and moved their family to Montana in 1970 to continue to farm. Roger passed away in 1998 and Karlene retired from farming in 2001. In 2008, Karlene married Don Blankenship, continuing to live on her farm site, until her passing.

Karlene was very talented musically and taught piano lessons. Karlene performed as the vocalist for a popular local country western band, the Lost Beets, that she and Roger had formed in Nebraska. Karlene had worked at Brown Bean in Nebraska, Vivian's Hobby Shop in Glendive and the Feedlot in Fallon and was a member of Grace Lutheran Church in Fallon. She had a quick wit, enjoyed collecting her family's Russian heritage information, taking care of her animals and visiting over a cup of coffee.

Karlene's family, especially her grandchildren and her great grandchildren were the delight of her life.

Karlene was preceded in death by her first husband Roger, her parents, and brothers-in-law Russell Burbach and Clark Irion.

She is survived by her husband Don Blankenship of Glendive, her sons, Terry (Bonnie) Burbach of Fallon, Greg (Naomi) Burbach of Glendive, her grandchildren Daniel (Stephanie) Burbach, Taylor (Ashley) Burbach, Amanda (Bobby) Hopper, Jordan (Jenna) Burbach, great grandchildren are Sigmund, Korra, Mason, Charley, Hudson, and extended family, stepson Mark (Aimee) Blankenship and grandchildren Carson and Russel of Billings. Her surviving siblings are Wayne (Patricia) Haas of Glendive, Steven (Marsha) Haas of Bend, Oregon, Lorraine Irion of Billings, in-laws of Nebraska, Ralph & Jeanetta Burbach, Joan Burbach and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

In lieu of flowers please memorials in Karlene's name may be given to the church or charity of one's choice.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Cemetery Details

Dawson Memorial Cemetery

2816 West Towne Street
Glendive, MT 59330

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB **10**. 11:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Karlene Marie Burbach*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Prayers and fond memories are what we have to remember departed loved ones. May the love of family and friends comfort you during these difficult days, our most heartfelt condolences. No one can prepare for a loss; it comes like a swift wind. However, take comfort in knowing that Karlene is now resting in the arms of our Lord. Our deepest condolences to you and your family.*

Daniel, Bonnie & Suzie - February 08, 2018 at 11:08 AM



“ *Bob & Dixie Justice lit a candle in memory of Karlene Marie Burbach*



Bob & Dixie Justice - February 07, 2018 at 03:26 PM



“ *C&J Employees - Scott, Linda & Employees purchased the Mrs. Fields Nibblers® Sympathy Basket for the family of Karlene Marie Burbach.*



C&J Employees - Scott, Linda & Employees - February 05, 2018 at 12:40 PM

B(

“ Greg and Family I'm sorry for your loss! I didn't know your Mom but she raised very good sons. Cherish your Memories and hold them close they will help get you through the difficult days ahead.

Becky (Chouinard)Tipton - February 01, 2018 at 06:01 PM

KL

“ So sorry for your loss.

Ken & Ida lacquement - January 30, 2018 at 10:18 AM

DB

“ love and prayers to all karlenes family .We have many fond memories with the Burbach family.Strength and peace to all.
Jerry and Donna Buxbaum

donna buxbaum - January 29, 2018 at 09:30 PM

SC

“ Sorry to hear about Karlene. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.
Arvid and Sherry Corneliusen

Sherry Corneliusen - January 29, 2018 at 09:27 PM

CK

“ Will always remember the beautiful ground cover or so I thought I had growing under the bay window. Karlene stopped by to see and she started laughing & pulling them out telling me they were elm trees! Not to be left next to the foundation. Hey, I was from Wyoming where we savored anything green. We laughed each time we thought of it..Thoughts, prayers & love to the family. Lots of good memories.

Love to all,
Cheryl Kennicker

Cheryl Kennicker - January 29, 2018 at 07:49 PM

SB

“ It has been a long time since we left Montana but I still have fond memories of Roger and Karlene. Sorry for your loss, it is so hard to say goodbye to our loved ones. Praying that God will comfort you as you grieve

Les and Sheila Butler

Sheila Butler - January 29, 2018 at 05:24 PM

DS

“ My deepest sympathies to each of you. May God give you strength, courage and understanding in the difficult days ahead.

Love,
Darlene L Strobel

Darlene L Strobel - January 29, 2018 at 10:50 AM

DH

“ *Dina Hass House lit a candle in memory of Karlene Marie Burbach*



Dina Hass House - January 29, 2018 at 10:41 AM

DH

“ *I can't even put into words the treasured memories I have because there are so many. Karlene meant the world to me and I don't even have the words to tell you how my heart is breaking. I will miss my visits when I walked into the house and Aunt Karlene would say "Dina my girl how are you?" We had a special connection and I will miss her.*

I am thinking of you all, love you very much.

Dina Hass House - January 29, 2018 at 10:41 AM

CB

I am so saddened to hear this. Karlene was a great neighbor. Sending prayers to all of her family.

Cindy Ban - January 29, 2018 at 10:50 PM

MF

Words can not express how sorry I am for your loss. I will always cherish the times Aunt Karlene and I would sit at her grand piano and play duets together. Aunt Karlene would always greet me at the top of the stairs with a big hug. We would enjoy our conversations sitting at the table while she drank her coffee and I drank a pop. Aunt Karlene holds a very special place in my heart.

Love, Marci Fox

Marci Fox - February 03, 2018 at 08:52 PM

TG

We send our sympathy from Scottsbluff, Nebraska. We were high school friends of Roger and Karlene. And, we are sorry for your loss of Karlene. god be with you all. Jane and Tom Gabel

Tom and Jane Gabel - February 11, 2018 at 12:23 AM