



Karen M. (Baye) Retamar

October 13, 1958 - June 27, 2016

Mrs. Karen M. (Baye) Retamar, age 57, went home to the Lord as she passed away on Monday, June 27, 2016 at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center with her loved ones at her side.

Born in Utica on October 13, 1958, Karen was the daughter of the late Ronald and Marsha (Mazurowski) Baye. She was a graduate of T.R. Proctor High School. At one time, she was married to Geraldo Retamar and to that union came the blessings of four children.

Karen worked in her vocation as a Certified Nursing Assistant at several area nursing homes. She had been employed by Municipal Housing as a community resource person at the Adrean Terrace. She also served that agency as a former board member. Karen was well-suited for all her areas of employment because of her passion to help others in need. Karen's sweet laughter and bright smile lit up a room. She loved music and sang often. She was so lively and lighthearted. Nothing could dim her optimism during her declining health and she enjoyed every day in every way, especially during the holidays. They were happy and important occasions for her, times when her family was together at her table. As a mom, Karen was able to love each of her children with attention to their individual concerns and needs. She shared her wisdom with them and the advice she gave them proved to be true in their later years. When her grandchildren were born, she was regenerated and renewed, and she loved her beautiful bundles of joy so much. During her spare time, she enjoyed knitting and was known as the "slipper queen". She

also created ceramic pieces for each season and holiday celebration. Karen was a parishioner of Historic Old St. John's Church. She was a true believer and silently shared her faith in prayer and praise to the Lord.

Karen is survived by her four children and their loves: Andrea E. Retamar, Ian Retamar, Geraldo Retamar Jr. and Angel Aceto, and Jose and Janelle Retamar; and her grandchildren, Jaden, Airin, and Jeremiah Retamar; Alexia, and Cosamina Retamar; Jacia, Jose, Eneliza, Jalaina and Eliana Retamar. She will also be remembered by her sisters, Ronnette Thomas, Donna Sanchez, Kelly Jenkins, and Sharon Rucker; her many nieces, nephews, great-nieces, great-nephews, cousins, aunts, godchild, and her childhood friends, Linda and Patty LaZore. She was predeceased by her mother-in-law, Maria Sanchez.

The family is grateful to the staff of the Dialysis Unit at the Faxton-St. Luke's Healthcare Center, and the personnel of the Intensive Care Unit at the St. Elizabeth Medical Center, especially Brianna Sangiacomo who was so compassionate and kind.

Visitation will be held Saturday from 11:30-1:30 p.m. at the Eannace Funeral Home, Inc., 932 South St., corner of Hammond Ave. Karen's funeral service and Celebration of Life will commence on Saturday afternoon at 1:30 at the funeral home immediately upon conclusion of visitation with Rev. Paul Madej officiating the ceremony.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 2. 11:30 AM - 1:30 PM (ET)

Eannace Funeral Home, Inc.
932 South Street
corner of Hammond Ave.
Utica, NY 13501
(315) 724-6714
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Funeral Service

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Tribute Wall



“ I miss you Aunt Karen 😞



Jackie Thomas - June 13, 2020 at 06:29 AM



“ I miss you grandma 😭😭



airin - March 10, 2020 at 12:37 AM



“ This is Jaden(Grandson), she always wanted to take a selfie. I never got to take one with her. Im very upset. But, i know she will always be in my heart. R.I.P Grandma. LOVE YOU.

Jaden Retamar - July 04, 2016 at 04:54 PM



“ MARYANN DEVEANS lit a candle in memory of Karen M. (Baye) Retamar



MARYANN DEVEANS - July 02, 2016 at 09:30 AM

MD

Rest in peace Karen

MARYANN DEVEANS - July 02, 2016 at 09:31 AM



“ *Healing Tears - Blue and White was purchased for the family of Karen M. (Baye) Retamar.*



July 02, 2016 at 08:48 AM

RO

“ *Robert lit a candle in memory of Karen M. (Baye) Retamar*



robert - July 01, 2016 at 08:27 PM

AG

“ *Heaven has another beautiful angel in Karen. My deepest condolences to her entire family, especially my dear friend & next door neighbor, Donna, her sister. I'll miss Karen's 'crazy' ways & the joy she found in the simple things here on this earth. She loved flowers & always talked about bringing them to her Mom's grave. You will be missed Karen, and I will always think of you especially when I call for my kitty 'Peanut' whom you named 'Peanut Butter'. Love and comfort to the family.*



Audrey Glenski

Audrey Glenski - July 01, 2016 at 06:50 PM



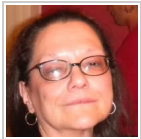
“ I was Andrea's and Jose's teacher many years ago and know what a wonderful concerned mother she was.I am very sorry for the loss of this remarkable woman.My thoughts and prayers are with all of you. Theresa Custodero

Theresa Carmen Tripolone - July 01, 2016 at 06:26 PM

AN

Thank you so much

Andrea - July 04, 2016 at 05:52 PM



“ Ronnette and the rest of your beautiful Family,I'm so very sorry on the loss of your Sister Karen.I remember Karen when we were all growing up.Such a sad loss.Ronnette, if you need me to talk to, Please don't hesitate to get ahold of me.I love you forever....R.I.P. Karen.

Linda Skinkle - July 01, 2016 at 05:13 PM

RC

“ Ruthann Crandall lit a candle in memory of Karen M. (Baye) Retamar



Ruthann Crandall - July 01, 2016 at 04:58 PM

RC

So sorry for ur loss.My thoughts and Prayers are with the family in a time of need.


Ruthann Crandall - July 01, 2016 at 05:01 PM

DD

“ *My thoughts and Prayer's to all the Family*




denise I doolen - July 01, 2016 at 04:47 PM

 Donna Planes

“ *Rest in peace sorry for the loss to the family heaven has anew beautiful angel with my beautiful grandma her momnow they all can enjoy watching over her beautiful family and protect them along the way*



Donna Planes - July 01, 2016 at 12:39 PM

 Delilah Roberts

“ *MY CONDOLENCES TO THE FAMILY- KAREN IS IN HEAVEN ABIVE WITH HER MOM AND MY GRANDMA PAULA WORDEN AND MANY MANY MORE-R.I.P. KAREN YOU'LL BE MISSED 😭*



Delilah Roberts - July 01, 2016 at 11:57 AM

BF

“ *So Sorry for your loss. Karen was a beautiful spirit. I will always cherish our friendship we shared at Kernan School and throughout life. RIP my friend.*

brenda fudge - July 01, 2016 at 06:45 AM



“ *Multicolor Bright Sympathy Floor Basket was purchased for the family of Karen M. (Baye) Retamar.*



July 01, 2016 at 01:03 AM



“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



The Jones Family - June 30, 2016 at 07:28 PM



“ *Ms Karen was the most compassionate person. Growing up with her in her presence was an honor...fly with the angels ms karen you will be dearly missed....love yari*



Yaritza Rivera-Roman - June 30, 2016 at 06:17 PM



“ *Renee Alati lit a candle in memory of Karen M. (Baye) Retamar*



Renee Alati - June 30, 2016 at 05:49 PM

JL

“ *Jacqui Leonard lit a candle in memory of Karen M. (Baye) Retamar*



Jacqui Leonard - June 30, 2016 at 04:44 PM

JL

such a wonderful mother and beautiful Spirit may God Rest Her Soul

Jacqui Leonard - June 30, 2016 at 04:46 PM

RL

Fly with the Angels my old friend..

Regina Leonard - June 30, 2016 at 08:14 PM

RB

“ *Robin Bailey lit a candle in memory of Karen M. (Baye) Retamar*



Robin Bailey - June 30, 2016 at 04:28 PM