



## Karen Lynn Smith

September 25, 1964 - June 28, 2021

Memorial services for Karen Lynn Smith, 56, of Gilmer, Texas are scheduled for 2:00 pm, Saturday, July 3, 2021, in the chapel of McWhorter Funeral Home. The family will receive friends at 1:00 pm prior to the service.

Karen was born September 25, 1964, in Gladewater, Texas, to Barney Grant and Patsy Lovell Smith and passed from this life June 28, 2021, at her home in Gilmer.

Those left to cherish her memory are her son, Slaton Bailey Nugent; daughter, Quinlan Kayne Nugent; brothers, Kevin Smith and Keith Smith; her grandson, Javier Julian Valdez; and by her nieces, nephews, cousins and numerous friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Barney and Patsy Smith.

Please visit Karen's on-line registration book at [www.mcwhorterfh.com](http://www.mcwhorterfh.com) to leave a memory for the family.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JUL 3. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ *McWhorter Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Karen Lynn Smith*



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**McWhorter Funeral Home** - July 02, 2021 at 10:52 AM

DR

*I used to babysit Karen when she was small, May You R. I. P. Sweetie , GOD BLESS YOUR SOUL*

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**Donna Montgomery Reyna** - July 02, 2021 at 05:38 PM

ST

“ *Karen, your journey continues in the next realm where I am certain you have found peace and eternal serenity. Your approach in this life was one of great zeal, unbridled passion and considerate, nurturing service to others. Your sense of humor and energy will continue to reverberate throughout East Texas and in the hearts of those you touched (and that is a very long list). Thank you for all of it! May God grant your family peace and security as they pass through the great sense of loss they must be feeling.*

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**Steve Turner** - July 04, 2021 at 11:38 AM

RC

“ *I am honored and blessed to have known Karen, she was truly a blessing in my life and I will miss her! My sincere condolences to the family. RIHeaven my dear friend.*

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**Risa Castloo** - July 03, 2021 at 10:00 PM

RC

“ I am honored and blessed to have known Karen. She was truly a blessing in my life and I will miss her! My sincere condolences.



Risa Castloo - July 03, 2021 at 09:58 PM

PW

“ I've known Karen since she was a teen-ager. She had some real hardships in her life, but had overcome them. I was pleased to get to meet her grown children when I went to the funeral home to sign the register today and sorry I could not get to the funeral. My prayers for your comfort. I know it is hard when death is sudden and unexpected like this, but take joy in knowing she did not suffer.

Phillip Williams - July 03, 2021 at 03:52 PM

VT

“ You were one of a kind with the biggest heart! When she gave it was 110%. I will forever cherish our friendship and our coffee time! Soar free sister! Until we meet again ❤️🙏 Thinking of your family.... May God comfort y'all!



Vicki Toups - July 02, 2021 at 10:13 PM

TH

“ Tracey Howell lit a candle in memory of Karen Lynn Smith



Tracey Howell - July 02, 2021 at 07:08 PM



“ 73 files added to the album Life Tributes



McWhorter Funeral Home - July 02, 2021 at 10:40 AM

AD

“ May God hold you forever in his arms. Rest In Peace dear friend 🙏❤️

Ann Davidson - July 01, 2021 at 05:01 PM

DR

“ Like her mother and grandmother, Karen had an enormous heart and a wicked sense of humor. Her grandmother and my mother were cousins and best friends, and a visit with their family was always a good time. The minute their car pulled in, you knew you were in for a couple of hours of fun, laughter, jokes, and great conversation. Karen and I reconnected several years ago and I always enjoyed chatting with her. My heart goes out to her immediate family, because they have lost a treasure. She will be missed by so many. One thing is certain. Heaven will be a livelier place with Karen there.

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**Debra Payne Riley** - July 01, 2021 at 04:01 PM

CS

“ You always listened. You always loved. You can was a mentor, a cousin, and a friend. Your words meant the most. You battled your own battles but you never gave up. You were a fighter. I love you and will always cherish the memories and our talks. Til I see you again. Love you Karen Lynn. #cousinsarespecial

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**Crystal Tidwell Sanders** - July 01, 2021 at 03:45 PM

LB

“ My prayers and thoughts are with all Karen's family and friends. May God give you peace and comfort during this difficult time.




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**Linda Shaw Bond** - June 30, 2021 at 09:28 PM

RC

“ Karen has been my dear friend for many years. She became my foster sister when I was 16 years-old and her family took me in, gave me a home, and greatly contributed to my life. She and her family are precious to me. I love them. I'm deeply saddened by her passing. My thoughts and prayers are with her and her family now and always.

Randy Cochran - June 30, 2021 at 09:17 AM

 Sherry Wade-Hockett

“ So sorry you had to leave us so soon. Karen loved her grandbaby so very much and I'm glad she got the time with him. I remember Karen cooking and cooking and cooking something she loved to do. I'll miss that infectious laugh and twinkle in her eye. May God surround and comfort your family dear friend. Sherry and Ronnie Hockett

Sherry Wade-Hockett - June 29, 2021 at 07:24 PM

DB

“ Praying for Your Family. Lord wrap your loving arms around this entire Family & comfort them in this time of sorrow. Only You can give them the strength to carry on & help provide understanding. We trust in You & Your Word.



Darlene & James Barber - June 29, 2021 at 03:50 PM

AM

“ Amy Miley-Payne lit a candle in memory of Karen Lynn Smith



Amy Miley-Payne - June 29, 2021 at 12:55 PM



“ Don't have the words for this Alwful tragedy...Karen was such an inspiration and loved by many. She will be missed deeply. Fly high my sweet friend...❤️❤️❤️  
Trish & Raymond Netecke



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**Trish Cox-Netecke** - June 29, 2021 at 12:39 PM

LJ

“ Karen loved with all her heart and gave in such a way as to prove it. I know she has peace. “Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”  
- John 14:27

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**Lilli Russell Jones** - June 29, 2021 at 08:31 AM

RN

“ The world lost a true patriot today. She was much more than a patriot. Karen was a good friend and parent. She lived life to it as fullest. I'm sure she would tell us to keep fighting the good fight. I'm glad I got to see her while I waa in in June. 🇺🇸🇺🇸🇺🇸🇺🇸🇺🇸

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**Ronnie Nugent** - June 29, 2021 at 06:56 AM

AF

“ Karen was a beacon of light in this world. You will be missed my friend. Prayers for all her family and friends.

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**Amy Friddle** - June 29, 2021 at 01:01 AM

KR

“ *Friend, sister, mentor, a shining light in our lives. Karen was willing to help anyone, anytime. She will be missed*

Kris - June 28, 2021 at 10:13 PM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Karen Lynn Smith.*



June 28, 2021 at 09:52 PM

SJ

“ *I'm grateful to have know such an incredible lady and fellow Patriot. Karen you will be sorely missed and I'll always have the fondest memories of you. Your job here is done and you've done a lot for everyone that you met in your life. We will see you again when it's our time but until then we will continue what you started. Prayers sent to the family. Karen was a great influence on everyone she met and will always be remembered for the incredible loving lady she always was.*

Scott Jackson - June 28, 2021 at 09:38 PM

SJ

“ *2 files added to the tribute wall*

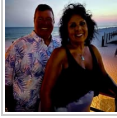


Scott Jackson - June 28, 2021 at 09:33 PM

JS

*Scott those are great pictures of incredible times!❤️*

**Jennifer Smith** - June 29, 2021 at 12:47 PM



*Precious photos.  
Karen will be missed*

**Irene Bellamy** - June 29, 2021 at 01:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Karen Lynn Smith.*



June 28, 2021 at 09:23 PM

RM

“ *Our deepest heartfelt condolences to Karen's family. RIP friend. We're going to miss you!  
Rita & Joe ❤️💙*



**Rita Marshall-Burke** - June 28, 2021 at 09:16 PM

MH

“ *Miranda Welch Hobbs sent a virtual gift in memory of Karen Lynn Smith*



**Miranda Welch Hobbs** - June 28, 2021 at 08:28 PM

LS

“ I WILL MISS YOU SO MUCH YOU WERE A TRUE PATRIOT BUT YOUR WORK IS DONE NOW TIME FOR US TO STEP UP FOR YOU

Louann Schildknecht - June 28, 2021 at 08:12 PM



“ Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Karen Lynn Smith.



June 28, 2021 at 08:07 PM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Karen Lynn Smith.



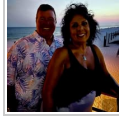
June 28, 2021 at 07:21 PM

DA

“ A True Patriot and friend. You will truly be missed Karen. 🇺🇸



David Ansley - June 28, 2021 at 07:04 PM



*A true Patriot!!! ❤️🇺🇸*

**Irene Bellamy** - June 28, 2021 at 08:34 PM



“ *Our patriot family will never be the same without you. Rest easy sweet friend, you will be missed by all who were blessed to know you.*

**Tenee Beets** - June 28, 2021 at 07:00 PM



“ *3 files added to the tribute wall*



**Tenee Beets** - June 28, 2021 at 06:55 PM

JS

“ *For God and Country. Rest easy my patriot friend. You will be missed.*

*Bruce and Jennifer Smith*



**Jennifer Smith** - June 28, 2021 at 06:49 PM

DB

*Karen, you will be missed. You were always so much fun. 🙏*

**Debra Brill** - June 28, 2021 at 09:29 PM

RL

*Karen the Gilmer Buckeyes Class of 83 lost a good member. Prayers to all of the Smith Family. RIH!*

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**ROSALIND LEWIS** - June 30, 2021 at 01:19 PM