



## Karyn Louise Forsythe

January 23, 1940 - May 11, 2018

Karyn Louise Forsythe, age 78, of Albia, passed away peacefully in her sleep the morning of Friday, May 11, 2018, at the Mercy Hospice Facility in Johnston, surrounded by her family.

Karyn was born in Moline, IL on January 23, 1940, to Thomas & Maxine (Bettis) Cosgrove, Karyn was raised in Albia with her 6 siblings, who all grew-up with their Bettis-cousins as best friends. Karyn graduated Albia High School in 1958. She married her high school sweetheart, Raymond Forsythe on June 3rd 1959, remaining together for over 52 years until Ray's passing in 2011.

After living for a few years in Nevada and West Des Moines, Karyn and Ray moved back to Albia in 1977 to raise their three children in their hometown. In her life, Karyn enjoyed golf league at the Albia Country Club, working for many years at Mom & Me clothing store in Albia, being a member and serving at Trinity United Methodist Church, traveling with her sisters, gardening, reading, getting together with her "Knit-wit" friends, and generally any opportunity to gather with family or friends.

Surviving her, are her three children; Michael Forsythe & wife Kim, Robert Forsythe & wife Alice, and Amy Kluver & husband David; five beloved grandsons; Sutton, Rowan, & Kaiden Forsythe and William & Aaron Kluver;

siblings Michael (& Carol) Cosgrove, Gene (& J.D.) Clark, and Deb Shehan; and many loved cousins, nieces, nephews and friends.

Karyn was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas & Maxine (Bettis) Cosgrove, siblings Kay Douglas, Craig Cosgrove, and Chris Cosgrove, and her husband, Raymond Forsythe.

Visitation will be held from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at the Tharp Funeral Home with Karyn's family present throughout the afternoon and evening to greet family and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday, May 16, 2018, at the Trinity United Methodist Church in Albia with Larry Bettis and Pastor Roger Henry co-officiating. Following the services Karyn's body will be cremated with a private family burial at a later date.

A memorial has been established to the Albia Public Library or the Welcome Home Soldier Memorial.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY 8. 2:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

Tharp Funeral Home  
116 Benton Ave.  
Albia, IA 52531  
(641) 932-3129  
<https://www.tharpfh.com/>

## Funeral Service

MAY 16. 10:30 AM (CT)

Trinity United Methodist Church  
1117 Benton Ave East  
Albia, IA 52531

# Tribute Wall



“ *Karyn Louise Forsythe*

January 30, 2023 at 05:06 AM



“ *Karyn Louise Forsythe*

January 30, 2023 at 02:53 AM



“ *Amy, Rob, and Michael, This is Carolyn Ryan. I am sorry I am so late with these thoughts. I am so sorry about the loss of your mom. When I had you, Amy, she was always a kind mom. I know she was a mountain of love to you all. Losing a parent is one of the hardest things we have to face in life. I am sorry that you have lost her, but Faith assures us that she is living eternally with God, who loves us beyond our comprehension. God bless you all. Carolyn*

**Carolyn Ryan** - June 22, 2018 at 11:32 AM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Karyn Louise Forsythe.*



May 14, 2018 at 10:25 PM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Karyn Louise Forsythe.*



May 14, 2018 at 02:35 PM



“ *Don & Caroline Kluver and family purchased the Amazing Arboricola for the family of Karyn Louise Forsythe.*



**Don & Caroline Kluver and family** - May 14, 2018 at 12:32 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Karyn Louise Forsythe.*



May 14, 2018 at 11:57 AM



“ *From Ian Douglas and Candace & Joao Aguiar purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Karyn Louise Forsythe.*



**From Ian Douglas and Candace & Joao Aguiar** - May 13, 2018 at 10:17 PM

PW

“ Prayers to all of Karyn's family. She was a class mate of mine. To many of them are passing away.

Phyllis Whitson - May 13, 2018 at 12:01 PM



“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Karyn Louise Forsythe.



May 12, 2018 at 08:42 PM

AJ

“ Hi. . .I hope I have the correct people. . .We were your Neighbor's at the Hospital. . . . We are very sorry for your loss. . . What loving & caring kids, you all were. . .We are sure Heaven is Happy she arrived. Been keeping you in our thoughts. . . My God Bless You All during this very difficult time 🍷

Al & Janine - May 12, 2018 at 01:43 PM

KL

“ Mark and I were neighbors of Karen and Ray for many years. We had so much fun with them, and enjoyed watching their kids grow up. I have never stopped missing her. Rest In Peace Karen.

kim Lathen - May 12, 2018 at 10:27 AM

VS

“ Loved Kayen! She was a beautiful lady inside and out! Keeping all of you in my thoughts and prayers!!!

Valerie Selby Small - May 12, 2018 at 09:53 AM

VS

*Karyn!*

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**Valerie Selby Small** - May 12, 2018 at 09:53 AM

LM

*We lived in the same neighborhood, your friends from your childhood remain with you always. I am sure Karen will be missed by many. God be with her children and sister and brother.*

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**linda mann** - May 12, 2018 at 05:10 PM

CS

“*Sorry for your loss. Don't think I ever saw this fine lady that she wasn't smiling or laughing. She will be missed.*

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**Cindy See** - May 12, 2018 at 09:25 AM