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Karen was born to Linda Marie Johnson and Von Leroy Johnson on February 18, 1948, in Provo, Utah. Karen spent her growing up years in Orem and attended Orem High where she was a member of the Tigerette Club her Senior year (“Roar for Orem High!”) in 1966.

Karen married Michael Brown shortly after high school and had three children: Paul, Mariann, and Tricia. Karen and Michael later divorced.

On December 7, 1972 Karen married her husband of 50-years Douglas Fisher. Doug joyfully adopted Paul, Mariann, and Tricia on December 11, 1973. The final child, Daniel, joined the Fisher brood in 1974, and the family was sealed for all eternity in the Provo Utah Temple on February 16, 1977.

Karen worked for over 20-years in the Granite School District as an instructional assistant for special needs students (at the Hartvigsen School). In addition to helping her students, Karen spent countless hours sewing costumes for the school’s annual production of ‘The Nutcracker’. She enjoyed the challenge of creating highly personalized costumes suited to each individual student, including those with severe physical and mobility

challenges.

Karen was known for her love of flowers. After retiring from Hartvigsen, Karen enjoyed a second career as a floral artist for many years at The Flower Patch in Salt Lake City. Karen's love of flowers extended well beyond the fresh variety. Karen created beautiful silk flower arrangements for church functions, home decorations and gifts for friends and family. Much to the chagrin of her loving family, Karen loved to incorporate local flora into her arrangements, and frequently made stops along roadsides from West Valley to Winnemucca in search of the perfect accent foliage for her next arrangement.

During her youth, Karen developed Type 1 Diabetes resulting from a bout of Scarlet Fever. Karen suffered nearly her entire life from the direct impact of Type 1 Diabetes, as well as the numerous peripheral impacts of the disease. Karen bore with quiet dignity the daily suffering caused by her many health challenges, and seldom complained, even in her final days. She was an example of fortitude to all who knew her. In 2020, she was honored by the University of Utah Health System with a luncheon honoring her as one of the longest-lived juvenile diabetics in the Salt Lake Valley.

Karen was a faithful member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and served in several callings throughout her lifetime. She especially enjoyed serving in the Relief Society and teaching Sunday School. Karen loved her eternal companion and was always proud of her children and grandchildren and their many accomplishments.

Karen was preceded in death by a beloved grandson, James Madison Ricks in 2016 brother Gerald Johnson, parents Von and Linda Johnson, parents-in-law Bert and Donna Fisher.

Karen is survived by her husband Douglas Fisher, children Paul (Cindy)

Fisher, Mariann Camomile, Tricia (Rodrigo) Casaos, and Dan (Penny) Fisher as well as ten grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Previous Events

Viewing

MAY 5. 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM (MT)

Harman Ward Building
4634 Harman Drive
West Valley City, UT 84120

Viewing #2

MAY 6. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (MT)

Harman Ward Building
4634 Harman Drive
West Valley City, UT 84120

Funeral Service

MAY 6. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (MT)

Harman Ward Church Building
4634 Harman Drive
West Valley City, UT 84120

Burial

MAY 6. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (MT)

Valley View Memorial Park - Utah
4335 West 4100 South,
West Valley City, UT 84120

Tribute Wall



“ Karen Marie Fisher (née Johnson)

October 05, 2023 at 07:49 PM



“ I always felt like Karen was my sister. We spent lots of time together as we grew up. From a trip to Yellowstone and California to pulling pranks there was never a dull moment. One time I will always remember is when we put a KOA sign at the entrance to the Provo Cemetery. The next day we were shocked to see our prank pictured and written up in the Herald. She was full of fun and never complained about her health. I loved my cousin sister and have lots of great memories. My thoughts and prayers are with you Doug and your beautiful family. Heaven has a new angel who is now in perfect health and reunited with special family. Love to all of you.

Susan Carter Robinson - May 01, 2023 at 11:04 PM



Doug and family, I am so sorry for the loss of your dear mother. When I married into the carter family Mike and I visited Karen and her parents often. Mike had many memories being at their home. I am sure Jerald and Mike were always in Karen's hair. He always felt right at home at Aunt Linda's with his cousins. I pray you will remember all the good times with your mother.

Vickie Carter - May 05, 2023 at 09:08 PM