



Karen Rainwater

April 3, 1942 - December 18, 2023

Karen Rainwater, 81, of Corning, passed away on Monday, December 18, 2023, at AMMC in Paragould.

She was born on April 3, 1942, the daughter of the late Elmer Lawrence Rainwater and Ivy Imogene Stevens Rainwater. She was a Church of Christ member and attended the Evening Star Church. Karen graduated from Bradford High School. She worked for years as a beautician and later for the Delaplaine School District and Walnut Ridge Nursing Home. Karen enjoyed sewing and was a talented seamstress, making dresses and gowns for proms, beauty pageants, and home coming queens. Karen was a talented artist. She was a devoted daughter helping to care for her father and later her mother in their declining years. Karen had a generous heart, taking care of nieces and nephews, paying for, and taking them to swimming lessons, dance lessons, music lessons and helping with the extras.

Surviving are four sisters; Charlene Rainwater Johnson, Linda Jean Rainwater Stark (James), Shirley Ann Rainwater Dickerson, and Dianne Rainwater Neill; twelve nieces, ten nephews, and numerous great nieces and great nephews. Karen was preceded in death by her parents, Lawrence, and Imogene Rainwater, and five siblings, Larry Allen Rainwater, Gary Kenneth Rainwater, Kevin Dee Rainwater, Keith Lee Rainwater, Reggie Duane Rainwater, and a niece Kelly Lynn Rainwater Martin Stormes.

Visitation will be at noon at Bryan Funeral Home at 415 Texas Street, in Hoxie with the funeral to follow at 1:00 pm. Interment will follow at Green County Memorial Gardens in Paragould.

Cemetery Details

Greene County Memorial Gardens

2901 Hwy 135 North
Paragould, AR

Previous Events

Visitation

DEC **21**. 12:00 PM (CT)

Bryan Funeral Home
415 NW Texas St.
Hoxie, AR 72433

Funeral Service

DEC **21**. 1:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

KK

“ I am so sad to read about Karen's passing. I knew Karen back around 1962, in St. Louis, Mo. Her family and friends paid a beautiful tribute for Karen on this page. To see her photos again brings back very good memories of knowing her.

Kathy Kovac - July 21, 2025 at 07:59 PM

DN

“ 1 file added to the album Memorial Slide Show



Dianne Neill - December 28, 2023 at 12:56 PM

KC

I always loved all of the rainwater family. I thought of than as living down the street from Grandfather Rober shelton store!!! I'm was Karen Gray

Karen Gray Clifford - August 05, 2025 at 08:12 PM



“ Karen I were friends a long time, she and I went to school at Delaplaine school and were in the class together, I would see her on and off though the years and we were always happy to see each other, rest in Peace my friend KAREN.



Gail French - December 20, 2023 at 06:56 PM

CB

“ I remember when I was a kid Karen was always sewing, knitting, or drawing something for us kids. I will treasure those memories

Carissa Beard - December 20, 2023 at 03:05 PM

LF

“ Love, Arthur Stevens and family. purchased the Red Poinsettia for the family of Karen Rainwater.



Love, Arthur Stevens and family. - December 19, 2023 at 08:49 PM

CS

“ It's so hard to add anything after what Dianne posted. Her description is exactly as she was. She helped me many times over the years. Loved her as a cousin and a friend. When I visited her in the nursing home the last year or so, she continued to wish that she could do things for other people. It wasn't possible but she certainly wanted it to be. We'll all miss her.

Carolyn Smith - December 19, 2023 at 05:19 PM

CS

“ Charles & Betty Bounds, Carolyn Smith purchased the Country Basket Blooms for the family of Karen Rainwater.



Charles & Betty Bounds, Carolyn Smith - December 19, 2023 at 05:07 PM

LS

“ Linda S. purchased the Sentiments of Serenity S pray for the family of Karen Rainwater.



Linda S. - December 19, 2023 at 11:33 AM

DN

“ Family was the most important thing to her. She was the most loyal friend a person could have. She enjoyed treating nephews and nieces to movies, and lessons in guitar, swimming and dance. She showed up at every performance, ball game, or graduation.

She would often sacrifice her own needs and desires to provide aid to family in need. Though she had no children of her own, she considered them all to be hers. She dedicated her life to helping by making clothes, giving free haircuts, lending money, and baby sitting.

There was no kinder person to the elderly or infirm. She lived a life of service and dedication to those in need. She was also dedicated to her faith and was baptized in the Church of Christ as a young woman.

She was crippled by Parkinson's Disease the past 4 years, but she never stopped being concerned about the people she loved. She still always wanted to help.

Dianne Neill - December 19, 2023 at 09:57 AM

CJ

“ *Rest in Peace, Sister and Dear Friend. My Deepest Love, to the Sky I Send.*



Charlene Johnson - December 19, 2023 at 09:36 AM

KC

“ *Kris, Kim, and Charlene purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Karen Rainwater.*



Kris, Kim, and Charlene - December 18, 2023 at 06:25 PM