



Karen L. Bates

December 30, 1960 - May 27, 2020

Karen L. Bates, Age 59 passed away unexpectedly at home on Wednesday, May 27, 2020. She was the loving wife of Jeffrey Bates. Beloved Daughter of the Robert Lee and the late Nancy Rezek. Dear Sister of the late Michael Rezek, Sandra Rezek, Jeffrey(Nancy) Rezek and Sister-in-law and dear friend of Joseph Trimarco. Karen was the Aunt of Jessica Trimarco, Timothy Rezek, Kevin Rezek , Chris Rezek and special aunt and dear Godmother of Michelle (Jose) Pantoja. And she loved her great niece Brianna and Great Nephew and Godson, Alexander Pantoja. She was the dear daughter-in-law of Vita Bates and the late Les Bates and fond Sister-in-law of Mike (Angela), Steve, Les(Michelle) and Greg (Liz) Bates. Karen worked many years at LabLine in Melrose Park, and most recently at Mariano's, She and her husband, Jeff own J&B Plumbing Company in Summit, where Karen was the office manager. She will be lovingly remembered for helping anyone and always trying to please everyone. She had a generous heart and a great sense of humor. Cremation services were private and Karen will be buried alongside her dear mother.

Tribute Wall

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“ Hi....I worked w Karen at Lab Line so long ago!!! I have great memories of her...she was always so happy & laughing!!! She was so nice to everyone...so welcoming...and such a sweetheart!!! I lost touch w her after she got married...but I know that she had a wonderful life w her husband....he's a very nice guy & loved her so!!! This is such a shock...she was so young...gone way to soon!!! My deepest sympathy to her husband...Family & Friends!!! May you rest in Peace forever!!!

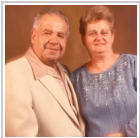
Cassandra Barber - June 30, 2020 at 05:39 PM

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“ My deepest condolences to Karen's family. She was an amazing woman and always so happy. You will be missed Karen.



Allie L - June 03, 2020 at 11:59 AM



“ Love and prayers you'll be missed. Condolences to your husband and family.



Victoria Kennedy - June 02, 2020 at 11:54 AM

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“ *I love you! I'll never forget all our shopping trips, getting our nails done, and sleep overs! You will always be in my heart! I miss you so much!*



jessica trimarco - June 01, 2020 at 09:27 PM