



Karen Gogolewski

June 18, 1969 - October 9, 2021

Karen Holly Gogolewski (Drover) age 52 of Oshkosh, passed away peacefully on October 9, 2021 after battling a short illness.

Karen was born on June 18, 1969 to David and Peggy Drover of Berlin.

Karen graduated in 1987 from Wautoma High School. From there Karen moved to Oshkosh to start her career. Karen worked for J.J. Keller, Lia Sophia, Media Consultant for the Gannett and most recently, a Senior Claims Analyst at Network Health.

Karen was very passionate about her family and friends and was always the life of every party. Karen's greatest joys were spending time with her grandson Ryker and her god-daughter Mallory. She enjoyed attending many concerts, festivals, and tailgating at Lambeau Field rooting for the Green Bay Packers. Karen was always up for an adventure with family and enjoyed vacationing on the beach by the ocean. Karen was a friend to everyone and never met a stranger.

Karen is survived by her parents, David and Peggy Drover; children, Levi (Courtney) and Bailey Gogolewski; companion, Russ Frost; brother, Dan Drover (Kelly); sister, Roxann Binkowski (Tom); niece, Brittney Shrock (Chris); niece, Courtney Underwood; nephew, Tyler Drover; grandson, Ryker

Gogolewski; and goddaughter, Mallory Shrock; and many other countless friends and family.

Karen is preceded in death by maternal grandparents, Ray and Jane Johnson; paternal grandparents, Louis and Helen Drover; aunts, Patsy Drover and Norelle Drover; uncles, Billy Drover and Pat Drover.

The family would like to thank the medical staff at Ascension NE Wisconsin Mercy Hospital of Oshkosh for their wonderful care of Karen in her final weeks.

Family and friends may visit with the family on Thursday, October 14, 2021 from 4-7:00 p.m. at the Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home of Berlin, and also on Friday, October 15, 2021 from 10-11:00 a.m. at St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church of Oshkosh.

A Mass of Christian Burial will follow the Friday visitation at 11:00 a.m. at the church with Father Thomas Long officiating.

Inurnment will follow services at St. Michael Catholic Cemetery of Berlin.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT **14.** 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home
116 S Adams Ave
Berlin, WI 54923
(920) 361-2050

Visitation

OCT **15.** 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church
830 S Westhaven Dr
Oshkosh, WI 54904

Funeral Service

OCT **15.** 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Raphael the Archangel Catholic Church
830 S Westhaven Dr
Oshkosh, WI 54904

Tribute Wall



“ *Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Karen Gogolewski*



Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home - October 12, 2021 at 05:33 PM

DE

What a great tribute! You will be missed girl. See you on the other side for a Buffett concert. Hugs to the family!

Dean - October 13, 2021 at 03:19 PM

LB

*Thank you for that Beautiful video of Karen & a piece of her Journey with a glimpse of all the lives she touched. Such a kind soul with a Big Heart that was open for all to see!
I will remember her Radiant Smile & Love for Adventure, along with lots of laughs! Thank you Karen for being a part of my life the last 20 years, forever friends until we meet again, Fly High & Enjoy the View.....*

Linda B - October 13, 2021 at 03:25 PM

LS

Beautiful tribute! Her life was so full of Love and her Smile--- Contagious. Love and Hugs to you all.....Miss you Karen....

Lori Schaetz - October 15, 2021 at 07:13 AM

MO

“ 3 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Melissa Ott - October 15, 2021 at 09:18 AM



“ 3 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home - October 14, 2021 at 08:45 PM

JB

“ *I worked with Karen at The Northwestern. She sure loved to have a good time and laugh. It's been a long time since I've seen her, but she will be missed by all who have had the pleasure to know her. Thoughts and prayers to her family.*

Jenny Brandenburg - October 14, 2021 at 10:21 AM

KA

“ *Kelly (Ziesemer) Andrichik purchased the Lavender & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Karen Gogolewski.*



Kelly (Ziesemer) Andrichik - October 14, 2021 at 10:09 AM



“ *Bountiful European Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.*



October 14, 2021 at 10:04 AM



“ *Lori Gehrke-Schaetz and Mike...C of 87.. purchased the Shades of Purple for the family of Karen Gogolewski.*



Lori Gehrke-Schaetz and Mike...C of 87.. - October 14, 2021 at 07:58 AM



“ *Saj purchased the Yellow & White Sympathy Basket for the family of Karen Gogolewski.*



Saj - October 14, 2021 at 03:08 AM



“ *Programs, Idaho Youth Challenge Academy purchased the Springtime Wishes for the family of Karen Gogolewski.*



Programs, Idaho Youth Challenge Academy - October 13, 2021 at 06:34 PM

KM

“*Kate & Mom purchased the Fields of Europe for Spring for the family of Karen Gogolewski.*”



Kate & Mom - October 13, 2021 at 04:18 PM



“*Peace, Prayers, & Blessings- Yellow and White was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.*”



October 13, 2021 at 03:50 PM

SH

“*Sally Hopton lit a candle in memory of Karen Gogolewski*”



Sally Hopton - October 13, 2021 at 03:24 PM

SH

“*Karen will always have a place in my heart. My condolences go out to her family & many loving friends. She had such a pure & beautiful soul .She will be missed by all.*”



Sally Hopton - October 13, 2021 at 03:20 PM



“ *Sincerest Sorrow - Lavender and White* was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



October 13, 2021 at 02:23 PM



“ *Lavender & White Sympathy Basket* was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



October 13, 2021 at 08:46 AM



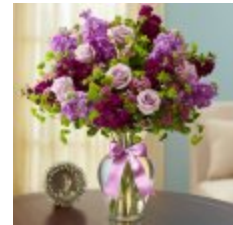
“ *Chris and Pam Snyder purchased the Peaceful Wishes* for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



Chris and Pam Snyder - October 12, 2021 at 10:58 PM



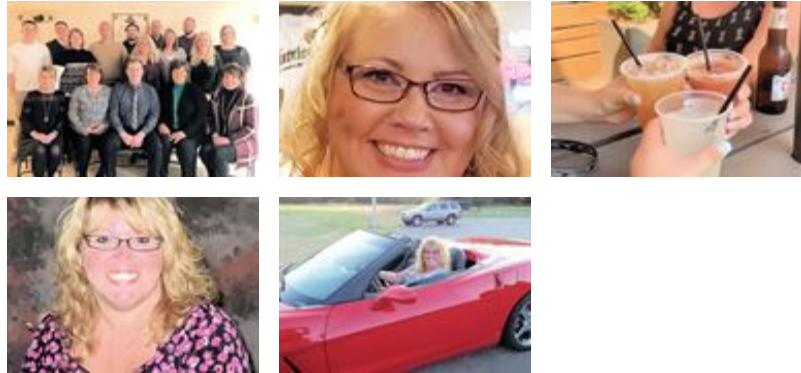
“ *Shades of Purple* was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



October 12, 2021 at 08:47 PM



“ 300 files added to the album *LifeTributes*



Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home - October 12, 2021 at 05:30 PM



“ *European Sympathy Dish Garden* was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



October 12, 2021 at 05:27 PM



“ *From the Ecklund Family* purchased the *Cherished Memories - All White* for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



From the Ecklund Family - October 12, 2021 at 02:31 PM

VM

“ Vicki Meyer lit a candle in memory of Karen Gogolewski



vicki meyer - October 12, 2021 at 02:25 PM

VM

“ I had a chance to work with Karen and she always seemed happy and fun to be around. I am so sorry to hear of her passing. God Bless her and her family

vicki meyer - October 12, 2021 at 02:25 PM



“ Serene Green™ Bouquet For Sympathy was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



October 12, 2021 at 11:35 AM

TH

“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family.. I will miss working with Karen at Network. We worked very closely together regarding claims but starting out in customer service. She always had a bubbly laugh that was contagious and a huge smile. I'm unable to make it to the funeral as I'm still recovering from a recent surgery, but my prayers are with the family. Our deepest condolences....
Theresa and Dan Hintz

Theresa and Dan Hintz - October 12, 2021 at 11:22 AM

TH

“ Theresa A Hintz purchased the Healing Tears - Blue and White for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



Theresa A Hintz - October 12, 2021 at 11:18 AM

EB

“ Emmett and Janice Bartman purchased the Healing Tears - All White for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



Emmett and Janice Bartman - October 12, 2021 at 10:57 AM

WA

“ With love, Your team at Bergstrom Auto purchased the Healing Tears - All Pink for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



With love, Your team at Bergstrom Auto - October 12, 2021 at 10:01 AM



“ Plants-A-Plenty was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



October 12, 2021 at 08:46 AM



“ Cousins are our first childhood friends. Sledding down the hill at our grandparents till someone hit a tree and it wasn't fun anymore. Playing in the Winnie pretending it was our house. As adults meeting up for a night out or a short day pub crawl. Karen's laugh and smile will always have a special place in my heart. Love to all

Michelle Johnson - October 12, 2021 at 01:36 AM

AR

“ Such a tragedy. The world will be a lesser place without her wonderful giggle, brilliant smile and those fabulous dimples! So sorry for you all. Goodbye, my cousin. Love, Anita Raymond

Anita Raymond - October 11, 2021 at 10:38 PM

DG

“ Doreen, Jerry Gogolewski purchased the Fields of Europe for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



Doreen, Jerry Gogolewski - October 11, 2021 at 10:37 PM

RW

“ We are so very, very sorry for your loss. We girl cousins (and many times the brothers) had so much fun at each other's and Grandma and Grandpa's house, swimming, chasing the pheasants after they got out, then getting yelled at for chasing the pheasants, (ha ha), dressing up as punk rockers and going to every haunted house we could find. So many wonderful teen memories. I'll never forget Karen's giggle and heartfelt laugh. I'm so sorry for your loss. We won't be able to make it to her services, but you all will be in our thoughts and prayers as you navigate this most difficult time. Our deepest condolences, Renee, Joe, Tehya, Kailei Wachuta

Renee Wachuta - October 11, 2021 at 08:58 PM

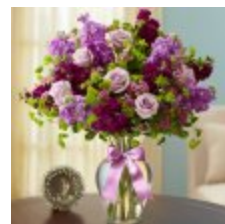
JC

“ Karen always lit up the room. She was such a fun and loving person. I feel blessed to have known her. I am grateful for all the times she brought people out to see my band The Presidents. She was such a wonderful giving person. My sympathies her family and friends.

John Cary - October 11, 2021 at 08:58 PM



“ Shades of Purple was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



October 11, 2021 at 07:16 PM

MA

“ My thoughts, prayers and hugs extended to Karen's family...so very sorry.

Maggie

Maggie - October 11, 2021 at 05:58 PM



“ Classic Sympathy Dish Garden was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



October 11, 2021 at 04:05 PM

LG

“ Karen was the most devoted friend I have ever had. Her smile could light up any room.

My heart is so sad 😞

Linda Gallaway - October 11, 2021 at 03:41 PM



“ Love's Embrace Roses – Purple was purchased for the family of Karen Gogolewski.



October 11, 2021 at 02:35 PM

KJ

“ I worked with Karen at JJ Keller. I was in Order Processing and she was in Distribution. We both had MS as a common issue to talk about. So sad, she was way to young. My prayers go out to her family.
Kelly Juday

Kelly Juday - October 11, 2021 at 10:39 AM