



## Karlene Marie Koch

August 11, 1937 - January 22, 2017

Karlene M. Koch, age 79, of Amboy, passed away on Sunday Jan. 22, 2017, at her home, surrounded by her family. Karlene was born on Aug. 11, 1937 in Leaf River, IL the daughter of Edward "Al" and Winona (Burrigh) Blake. She attended Amboy schools, graduating with the Class of 1955. She furthered her education at Rock Valley College and IVCC through her employment at HCC, Inc. in Mendota, IL, where she worked for 40 years before retiring in 2007.

She is survived by four daughters Kristine (Greg) Welker of Delavan, WI, Joan (Terry) Brunt of Amboy, Angela Koch of Cowgill, MO and Laura (Mark) Hicks of Amboy and two sons Tony Koch of Amboy and Dan (Laurie) Koch of Amboy, eleven grandchildren, eleven great grandchildren, son-in-law, Jim Bender of Kearney, MO, 1 brother Ed (Kathy) Blake of Amboy; and several nieces and nephews.

Karlene married Charles Koch on July 6, 1957. He preceded her in death on Nov. 29, 2004. Karlene loved to travel with her husband, play golf and spend time with her grandchildren and her many good friends. Karlene was a member of St. Patrick's Catholic Church of Amboy.

Karlene was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Susie McCormick, two brothers in infancy and 2 great grandchildren.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, January 26, 2017, at 10:30 AM in St Patrick Catholic Church with the Rev. Timothy Draper officiating. Burial will follow at St Patrick Cemetery in Amboy. Visitation will be held on

Wednesday Jan. 25, from 2:00 to 4:00 and 6:00 to 8:00 PM in the Mihm-Jones Funeral Home with the Rosary at 7:30 PM. Visitation will also be held on Thursday from 9:30 until 10:15 in the church. A memorial has been established to Hospice of the Rock River Valley and Teen Turf in Amboy.

# Cemetery Details

## St. Patrick Cemetery in Amboy

816 Rockyford Rd  
Amboy, IL 61310

# Previous Events

## Visitation

JAN 25. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

Mihm-Jones Funeral Home, Amboy  
303 East Main Street  
Amboy, IL 61310  
(815) 857-2611  
[info@thejonesfh.com](mailto:info@thejonesfh.com)  
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## Service

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JAN **26**. 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM (CT)

St Patrick Catholic Church Amboy  
32 N Jones  
Amboy, IL 61310

# Tribute Wall



“ *Karlene Marie Koch*

October 08, 2023 at 11:30 AM



“ *Karlene Marie Koch*

December 31, 2022 at 02:40 AM



“ *Roger and I want to extend our sincerest sympathy to the Koch family. While we can not attend her service as we are away for the winter, we are thinking of you and holding each of you in prayer.*

*Michele and Roger Robbins*

**Michele Robbins** - February 11, 2017 at 10:08 AM



“ *My sympathy goes out to the Koch family. I have many fond memories of the times that Charles and Karlene spent at my parents' home when I was younger. Karlene always had a smile on her face and was so sweet-natured. Charles and Karlene always seemed to enjoy life and each other. My thoughts are with all of you at this time...*

*Love, Kathy (Montavon) Rosignal*

**Kathy (Montavon) Rosignal** - January 25, 2017 at 10:44 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Karlene Marie Koch.*



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January 25, 2017 at 08:26 AM



“ *Love and Miss you so much Aunt Karlene but so happy that you are once again walking and happy. All our love Steve and Corinne*



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**Corinne** - January 24, 2017 at 07:58 PM



“ *So sorry for your loss*



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**Susan Englund** - January 24, 2017 at 06:52 PM



“ *Jim And Marilyn Braida lit a candle in memory of Karlene Marie Koch*



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**jim and marilyn braida** - January 24, 2017 at 05:58 PM

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“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



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**Annie Bender** - January 24, 2017 at 03:04 PM

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“ Annie Bender lit a candle in memory of  
Karlene Marie Koch



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**Annie Bender** - January 24, 2017 at 03:02 PM

RL

“ Ralph & Debbie Lance purchased the Guiding Light Bouquet for the family of Karlene Marie Koch.



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**Ralph & Debbie Lance** - January 24, 2017 at 01:57 PM



“ Pretty Please was purchased for the family of  
Karlene Marie Koch.



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January 24, 2017 at 01:41 PM

JO

“ *Joeloomis lit a candle in memory of Karlene Marie Koch*



joeloomis - January 24, 2017 at 09:50 AM

MG

“ *Marlene Greskiwcz lit a candle in memory of Karlene Marie Koch*



Marlene Greskiwcz - January 24, 2017 at 08:24 AM



“ *Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Karlene Marie Koch.*



January 23, 2017 at 09:10 PM

EB

“ *we've lost a great one, will always hold a special place in my heart for you, love you mom, you will be missed, love to all and my deepest sympathy, sorry I couldn't be with you, all my love Jim!*



Earl Bender - January 23, 2017 at 08:47 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karlene Marie Koch.



January 23, 2017 at 08:00 PM



“ I am so saddened I loved this lady like she was my own grandma she was always so sweet and loved giving me a hard time we had so much fun together on our 5 hours together I am truly gonna miss her 😞😞😞



Reva Marie Arbuckle - January 23, 2017 at 05:41 PM



“ Karlene was a favorite team member for many of us at HCC. Few were as dedicated to do what was best for the company. And fewer still as devoted to helping and caring for others. I thank the Lord for the opportunity to work with Karlene and for the many good memories she left when retiring.  
Carl McNair

Carl McNair - January 23, 2017 at 05:23 PM



“ Gary Sylvia Schultz lit a candle in memory of Karlene Marie Koch



Gary Sylvia Schultz - January 23, 2017 at 04:37 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Karlene Marie Koch.*



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January 23, 2017 at 04:34 PM



“ *Bonnie Carson lit a candle in memory of Karlene Marie Koch*



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**Bonnie Carson** - January 23, 2017 at 03:44 PM



*Have many beautiful memories of Karlene & Charlie from the good ole days at Country Companies. May all your beautiful memories and knowing that your Dad was right there to meet her with open arms helps you thru this most difficult time. Hugs and love to all.*

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**Bonnie Carson** - January 23, 2017 at 03:46 PM



“ *Although I did not know Mrs. Koch very well she was always so sweet and easy to talk to when we met at Mark and Laura's home. REX and I will be praying for the family and send our deepest sympathy.*

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**Linda and Rex Hicks** - January 23, 2017 at 03:34 PM