



Mrs. Karen R. Shaffer

April 17, 1953 - April 5, 2025

Karen R. Shaffer, 71, of Lee, died peacefully Saturday at Berkshire Medical Center following a brave and determined battle with cancer.

Born in Pittsfield, April 17, 1953, the daughter of George and Mary Boivin Honiker, she attended Lenox Schools and was a 1971 graduate of Lenox Memorial High School.

Mrs. Shaffer was employed at Lenox Savings Bank as a teller for many years and later worked as a bookkeeper for Pignatelli Electric Co. until her retirement.

She was a communicant of St. Vincent de Paul Church in Lenox Dale.

Mrs. Shaffer and her husband, Thomas W. Shaffer, were married on August 14, 1971. Mr. Shaffer died June 16, 1995.

She is survived by her children; Sean T. Shaffer (Kara) of Franklin, MA, and Joanne M. Haggerty (Patrick) of North Chatham, NY; two brothers Peter F. Honiker (Sen) of Merritt Island, FL and George F. Honiker, Jr. of Merced, CA; two sisters Donna J. Kohlenberger of Las Vegas, NV and Maralyn A.

Morrissey of Lakewood Ranch, FL. Karen had six grandchildren whom she adored: Dylan, Ella, and Brendan Shaffer and Lauren, Jarrett, and Elise Haggerty. Her grandkids will miss her Easter egg hunts and the many holiday dinners together. She was a proud mom and grandmother who always had a smile on her face when the kids were around.

The funeral of Mrs. Karen R. Shaffer, formerly of Lenox and Lee, will be Wednesday April 16, 2025, at 11 am at St. Vincent de Paul Church in Lenox

Dale celebrated by Rev. Monsignor John J. Bonzagni, Pastor. Burial will follow in St. Ann's Cemetery. Calling hours at the ROCHE FUNERAL HOME are Tuesday evening from 4-6 pm.

In lieu of flowers those who wish to make donations in Karen's memory may do so to St. Jude's Children Hospital in care of the funeral home, 120 Main Street, Lenox, MA 01240.

Cemetery Details

St. Ann's Cemetery

1 Ore Bed Road
Lenox, MA 01240

Previous Events

Visitation

APR **15**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (ET)

Roche Funeral Home
120 Main Street
P.O. Box 152
Lenox, MA 01240
(413) 637-0699
eroche120fh@gmail.com

Service

APR **16**. 11:00 AM - 11:45 AM (ET)

St. Vincent de Paul
Crystal Street
Lenox Dale, MA 01242

Burial

APR 16. 11:45 AM - 12:15 PM (ET)

St. Ann's Cemetery
1 Ore Bed Road
Lenox, MA 01240

Tribute Wall

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“ *Deepest condolences to Karen's family.*



Donna DiGrigoli - May 30, 2025 at 09:40 PM

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“ *I am so sorry to hear of Karen's passing. I wish I knew before this past Monday. She was such a kindhearted and caring person. She always had a beautiful smile on her face and such an upbeat attitude. I am so happy to have had her in my life. She was much more than a cousin. I considered her a true friend. I know you have many wonderful memories of your mom and that's what she would want you to remember. She was very proud of her children and grandchildren. You could sense the joy she felt whenever she talked of her family. She was a Blessing to all who knew her. My thoughts and prayers are with you all. Love, Bev Boody*

Beverly Boody - April 23, 2025 at 01:09 PM

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“ *Barbara Besaw, Sarah & Grace purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Mrs. Karen R. Shaffer.*



Barbara Besaw, Sarah & Grace - April 14, 2025 at 09:22 AM