



## Karen Sue Nelson

February 17, 1961 - April 13, 2023

Karen S. Nelson, 62, resident of Mt. Pleasant, passed away on Saturday, April 8, 2023, at Aurora Medical Center, Mt. Pleasant.

She was born on February 17, 1961, to Alvin and Dorothy (nee: Erlandson) Nelson in Racine.

Karen proudly received several degrees; receiving her Bachelor of Science in Agriculture at the University of WI Black River Falls in 1984, a Bachelor of Science at the University of WI Parkside in 1989, and a Master of Animal Science at the University of Missouri in 1988.

She was a member of Faith Bridge United Methodist Church and the Red Hats. Karen was employed at Northwestern Mutual for 33 years.

She enjoyed music and most of all, spending time with her family.

Karen is survived by her mother, Dorothy Nelson, and numerous relatives.

She was preceded in death by her father, Alvin.

Funeral service for Karen will be held at Sturino Funeral Home on Sunday, April 16, 2023, at 3:00 p.m. with Pastor Jon Nelson officiating. Visitation will be from 2:00 p.m. until service time. She will be laid to rest at West Lawn Memorial Park in a private ceremony.

In lieu of flowers, memorials to a favorite charity have been suggested.

Special thanks to all the great help from relatives, neighbors, and friends.

You are all very much appreciated.

# Cemetery Details

## West Lawn Memorial Park

9000 Washington Ave  
Racine, WI 53406

# Previous Events

## Visitation

APR 16. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Sturino Funeral Home  
3014 Northwestern Avenue  
Racine, WI 53404  
(262) 632-4479  
info@sturinofuneralhome.com

## Funeral Service

APR 16 (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

CS

“ I was fortunate to spend time with Karen through the NM Golf League. She was a joy to be with. I consider it a blessing to have had to opportunity to have very fun times with her. Fond memories that I will cherish.  
(Karen - Say hello to Deb B for me).

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**Christina Sutter** - April 18, 2023 at 08:16 AM

RT

“ Karen was the heart of our Red Hat Group. Durning Covid she kept us alive and well through her command of the Zoom program. She organized the program, helped us to ger connected and kept us updated as to when and how to connect. We were 12 women glad to have contact with each other while we were not able to meet but because of Karen and her knowlege we were able to stay close. After Karen broke her ankle she still kept us informed with luncheon dates even though she could not participate. She kept us whole--we will miss her so very much!

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**Ruth A Lechner Thomforde** - April 16, 2023 at 01:39 PM

KS

“ Sorry to hear of Karen's passing. I was a co-worker with her at Northwestern Mutual, but unfortunately did not get to work with her directly. My memories of Karen are from high school (Case). She helped me get through physics class and was always there to pitch in on class projects. She was one of the smartest people I have ever met. Too soon...

*Kevin Schober*

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**Kevin Schober** - April 14, 2023 at 05:46 PM

AK

“ I worked with Karen at Northwestern Mutual. I loved her dry sense of humor. She was very talented and always went above and beyond to help people.

*She was a wonderful person, I'm so sorry she's gone.*

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**Andrew Kull** - April 14, 2023 at 12:45 PM

RM

“ Karen was such a wonderful person. She had a brilliant mind when it came to her work but would made her stand out was her kindness, thoughtfulness, and humility toward those around her. Her impact was truly felt by myself. She was a beautiful soul and will be missed. Thank you for all that you taught me! Rest in peace!!

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**Ric Monteen** - April 14, 2023 at 12:24 PM

SO

“ Hi Mom.I really miss you. Grandma is taking great care of me. She let's me sleep past 4 AM.! The neighbor lady TRIES tomake me take a walk with her. I really don't like it but I get to spend time with my big sister Stella.Don't worry about me. I'm in good hands with Grandma. Her lap is comfy too. Until we meet again. I Love You.  
SOPHIE

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**Sandi Overson** - April 14, 2023 at 10:35 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Karen Sue Nelson.



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April 14, 2023 at 08:54 AM

BS

“ Karen would share great stories of her little dog, Sophie, and bring joy to those around her. She was an incredibly talented and compassionate person that made the world a better place.

*You are missed, Karen*

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**Brent Steffen** - April 14, 2023 at 08:49 AM

JC

“ I worked with Karen at Northwestern Mutual and consider her a good friend. My sympathies to those she leaves behind. Although her passing brings sadness, the way she lived her life will be a positive that stays with me and guides my actions. A few of that come to mind:

- Karen was one of the most polite people I knew, always being respectful, even when she was interrupted.
- Karen was super knowledgeable and insightful, but her humility let others shine and take the credit.
- Karen had a way of making me feel good about myself and that my contributions, no matter how small, were important to her.

*Rest in peace, Karen. You've left wonderful footprints for us all to follow.*

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**Jim Cincotta** - April 13, 2023 at 05:16 PM

YF

“ Your Northwestern Mutual Family purchased the Fiery Lily and Rose for the family of Karen Sue Nelson.



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**Your Northwestern Mutual Family** - April 13, 2023 at 04:48 PM