



## Karen Sue Tucker

February 7, 1953 - March 6, 2022

Celebration of Life services for Karen Sue (Ashton) Tucker will be 2:00 p.m. Saturday, March 12, 2022, at the Burlington School Auditorium in Burlington, Oklahoma, with Doug Graham officiating. Interment will be in Riverview Cemetery in Kiowa, Kansas, under the direction of Marshall Funeral Home of Alva. There will be a visitation with family 4:00-6:00 p.m., Friday, March 11, 2022, at the Schupbach Haus, 405 S. 7th, Kiowa, Kansas.

Karen Sue Tucker, daughter of Dorothy Lee (Crusinbery) Ashton and the late Paul Wayne Ashton, was born on February 7, 1953, at Vance Air Force Base, Enid, Oklahoma, and passed away in the Kiowa District Hospital on March 6, 2022, at the age of 69 years and 27 days with her husband at her side.

Karen graduated from Waynoka High School with the Class of 1971 and in 1976 she earned her Bachelor Degree in Social Work from Northwestern Oklahoma State University and followed in 1986 with a Masters of Behavioral Science. She began her career as a social worker in Alva with the State of Oklahoma Department of Human Services in 1978 and retired after 35 years of service on January 1, 2013. She became county director working in Fairview, and then promoted up to multi-county director with her office in Alva.

In high school, her passion was basketball and you would find her playing

several nights a week. All while assisting her family on the family farm with farming and livestock. Her love for basketball led her to coaching the Alva 5th and 6th grade girls basketball traveling team. As a member of the Alva bowling league she and her teammates competed at state.

Karen was an active member of the Riverside Church of Christ in Burlington, after being baptized into Christ in the early 1980's at the College Hill Church of Christ in Alva, Oklahoma. Karen's bright loving personality was brought out in her many hobbies and interests. Her dedication to many community service and outreach projects was very well known throughout Alva, Burlington, and surrounding communities. She enjoyed spending time with family and was especially fond of working cattle with them. Her granddaughters brought her the greatest joy. Playing cards, boot scootin' line dancing and traveling was life long continued hobbies.

She was united in marriage to Robert "Bob" Dale McNally on the December 18, 1971. To this marriage was born a daughter, Barbara Ann in 1975. After the tragic loss of Bob in 1981, she moved to Alva and met Mark Alan Tucker and they were united in marriage on May 28, 1983, and he adopted Barbara in February 1989.

She was preceded in death by her father, Paul Wayne Ashton; her first husband, Robert Dale McNally; her in-laws, Sarah and Dale McNally and Verna and Cecil Tucker, Jr.; and many other loved ones.

Karen is survived by her husband just short of 39 years, Mark, of Burlington; daughter, Barbara Ann Baird and husband, Alan, of Pflugerville, Texas; mother, Dorothy Ashton; brother, Dennis Wayne Ashton and wife, Karen, of Murray, Utah; brother, Terry Lynn Ashton and wife Denise, of Waynoka; sister, Linda Lee Earl and husband Michael, of Tulsa; granddaughters, Olivia Paige and Isabella Claire Baird of Pflugerville, Texas; many nieces, nephews, other

relatives and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made through the funeral home to the Kiowa District Hospital or the Freedom Gates Boys Ranch.

# Cemetery Details

## Riverview Cemetery

Kiowa, KS

# Previous Events

## Viewing

**MAR 9.** 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM (CT)

Marshall Funeral Home of Alva  
230 Flynn Street. P.O. Box 804  
Alva, OK 73717  
(580) 327-2311  
<https://www.marshallfuneralhomes.com/>

## Viewing

**MAR 10.** 8:00 AM - 9:00 PM (CT)

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## Visitation with Family

MAR 11. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM.

Schupbach Haus  
405 South 7th Street  
Kiowa, KS

## Funeral Service

MAR 12. 2:00 PM (CT)

Burlington School  
401 Main Street  
Burlington, OK 73722

# Tribute Wall



“ *Karen Sue Tucker*

January 30, 2023 at 03:38 AM



“ *1 file added to the album Funeral Service*



**Marshall Funeral Homes** - March 12, 2022 at 06:37 PM



“ *Gina (Martinez) Munn purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Karen Sue Tucker.*



**Gina (Martinez) Munn** - March 11, 2022 at 03:22 PM



“ *Sonya Smith Graves lit a candle in memory of Karen Sue Tucker*



**Sonya Smith Graves** - March 11, 2022 at 10:27 AM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Karen Sue Tucker.*



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March 10, 2022 at 09:47 PM



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



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March 10, 2022 at 04:01 PM



“ *Our condolences to all the family in the loss of Karen. She was a special lady who will definitely be missed. Prayers for happy memories, comfort and peace. Cynthia and Tom Nighswonger*

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**Cynthia Nighswonger** - March 10, 2022 at 03:54 PM



“ *I worked with Karen for many years in the health care and concerns for the elderly. She helped many many people during her service. God bless you her family for the loss of an amazing woman.*

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**Jane Gaskill** - March 10, 2022 at 03:07 PM



“ Vivid Recollections was purchased for the family of Karen Sue Tucker.



March 10, 2022 at 03:03 PM



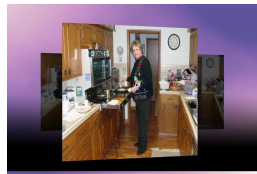
“ Sweet Tenderness was purchased for the family of Karen Sue Tucker.



March 10, 2022 at 03:02 PM



“ 1 file added to the album Video Tribute



**Marshall Funeral Homes** - March 10, 2022 at 12:31 PM



“ Robert Ashton purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of Karen Sue Tucker.



**Robert Ashton** - March 09, 2022 at 08:12 PM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Karen Sue Tucker.*



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March 09, 2022 at 03:33 PM



“ *We are praying for the Lord to give the family abundant comfort and peace during this time of sorrow. So sorry for your loss.*

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**Janie Kanaga** - March 09, 2022 at 03:16 PM



“ *Gary and Joan Baird purchased the Emerald Garden Basket for the family of Karen Sue Tucker.*



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**Gary and Joan Baird** - March 09, 2022 at 01:41 PM



“ *Mark...please accept sincere condolences on the loss of Karen.....what a gal...always a smile and fun to be around. You found a jewel and it was always obvious what a great couple you were. Paul Woodson OKC*

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**Paul Woodson** - March 09, 2022 at 10:21 AM

SW

“ *Shari Woods lit a candle in memory of Karen Sue Tucker*



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**Shari Woods** - March 09, 2022 at 10:08 AM

  
Marietta  
Washingtc

“ *Marietta Washington lit a candle in memory of Karen Sue Tucker*



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**Marietta Washington** - March 09, 2022 at 09:58 AM

LB

“ *So sorry for your loss. Karen was truly a delight to be around. We played basketball in high school together and had a blast. Prayers for all. 🌹🌹🙏🙏*

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**leota betts** - March 08, 2022 at 10:53 PM

DL

“ *Karen was my cousin. Her Dad and my Mom were the two oldest children of my Grandparents. From bathing in a horse trough to playing in the old chicken house we had fun when we went to the farm. Will always remember those times*

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**Debbie Wylie LaCore** - March 08, 2022 at 08:58 PM

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“ *Annette Franco Schwerdtfeger lit a candle in memory of Karen Sue Tucker*



Annette Franco Schwerdtfeger - March 08, 2022 at 08:39 PM



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



March 08, 2022 at 07:22 PM



“ *Sincere condolences in your loss of Karen. Praying special memories will help heal your hearts & comfort you in the coming days.*



DaleVaughna Schmidt - March 08, 2022 at 10:46 AM

PB

“ *So many beautiful memories fill my heart of Karen , Mark & her family. Thoughts & prayers are with all of you. May God's love surround you. Hugs, Patsy & Duane Bouse*

patsy bouse - March 07, 2022 at 04:55 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Karen Sue Tucker.



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March 07, 2022 at 04:50 PM



“ Arrive in Style was purchased for the family of Karen Sue Tucker.



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March 07, 2022 at 11:11 AM