

# Karen Ann Gill

WHO WAS BORN May 14, 1954 Milbank, South Dakota

AND CALLED TO HER ETERNAL HOME December 29, 2019 Sioux Falls, South Dakota

MASS OF CHRISTIAN BURIAL Saturday, January 4, 2020 - 1:00 p.m. St. Lawrence Catholic Church Milbank, South Dakota

> CELEBRANT Father Gary DeRouchey

MUSICIANS Elizabeth Schulte, Organist St. Lawrence Choir

#### HONORARY BEARERS

Sandra (Loren) Tucholke | Coleen (Dave) Scheibel Deb Gill-Bierig | Jason (Kat) Tucholke | April (Nate) Pedersen Erin (Sung) Park | Todd Tucholke | Jesse Scheibel Veronica Bierig | Tabbitha Bierig | Lane Vostad | Mina Park

INURNMENT
St. Lawrence Catholic Cemetery
Milbank, South Dakota

#### **APPRECIATION**

Karen's family is grateful for your attendance at this service. Your expressions of kindness and love are deeply appreciated. Following the inurnment, please join the family for lunch and fellowship in the parish hall.

ARRANGEMENTS BY Mundwiler Funeral Home Milbank, South Dakota

The family will bring up white roses in memory of Harvey and Genevieve Gill, Lyle Gill, Sherry Scheibel, and Megan Vostad.



### I'm Spending Christmas With Jesus This Year

I see the countless Christmas trees around the world below; With tiny lights, like heaven's stars reflecting in the snow. The sight is so spectacular, please wipe away that tear; For I'm spending Christmas with Jesus Christ this year.

I hear the many Christmas songs that people hold so dear;

But the sounds of music can't compare

with the Christmas Choir up here.

For I have no words to tell you the joy their voices bring;

For it is beyond description to hear the angels sing.

I know how much you miss me, I see the pain inside your heart;

But it's only for awhile that we will be apart.

I can't tell you of the splendor or the peace here in this place.

Can you just imagine Christmas with our Savior...Face to face?

I'll ask Him to light your spirit as I tell him of your love.

So then pray one for another, as I lift your eyes above.

Please let your hearts be joyful and let your spirit sing;

For I'm spending Christmas in Heaven and walking with the King!

Aren Ann Gill was born on May 14, 1954, in Milbank, SD. She was the daughter of Harvey and Genevieve (Weber) Gill. She grew up in the Milbank area and graduated from Milbank High School in 1972. She earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Food Science at South Dakota State University in Brookings, SD.

Karen worked as a food service director at several colleges. Throughout her life, she lived in many places including Brookings, SD; Cedar Rapids, IA; Milwaukee, WI; Berea, KY; New Brighton, MN; Greenville, KY; Warrensburg, MO; Medora, ND; and Martin, TN. Her work was very important to her. One could always count on her to make sure proper food safety standards were adhered to, even at home. Karen loved shopping at thrift stores, traveling, and gardening. She could always find the humor in all situations, even the difficult ones. She cherished family, including family who passed before. She loved celebrating holidays, especially Christmas. Karen was a passionate volunteer leader with the Diabetic Camp in Missouri for many years.

Karen is survived by her sisters: Sandra (Loren) Tucholke of LaBolt, SD; Coleen (Dave) Scheibel of Brookings, SD; and Deb Gill-Bierig of Sioux Falls, SD; seven nieces and nephews: Jason (Kat) Tucholke, April (Nate) Pedersen, Erin (Sung) Park, Todd Tucholke, Jesse Scheibel, Veronica Bierig, and Tabbitha Bierig; great-nephew, Lane Vostad; great-niece, Mina Park; and numerous aunts, cousins, and Karen's many dear friends including Pat Munkel.

She was preceded in death by her parents: Harvey and Genevieve Gill; brother, Lyle Gill; nieces: Sherry Scheibel and Megan Vostad; grandparents; and many aunts, uncles, and cousins.



Side by side or miles apart we are sisters connected by the heart.

## In Loving Memory



Karen Ann Gill 1954 - 2019