

MEMORIAL SERVICE

HONORING

Karen Elizabeth Green

August 12, 1953 - November 7, 2020



Friday, November 20, 2020
1:00 p.m.

LISA SCOTT FUNERAL HOME, P.A.
552 Lewis Street
Havre de Grace, Maryland 21078

OBITUARY

KAREN ELIZABETH GREEN, the daughter of the late William Lee Green, affectionally know as Knox and Nellie Virginia Green was born August 12, 1953 in Havre de Grace, Maryland. She departed this life on November 7, 2020, peacefully in her sleep.

After graduating from Bel Air High School, she attended the University of Maryland, College Park where she majored in English and Journalism.

Upon leaving college she worked for the MVA and taught driver's education at Bel Air High School. She would often encounter many of her former students while shopping or attending events. They all seemed to have fond memories of her.

Her true love was working for Harford County Government. For 30 years Karen dedicated her life to serving her community as a Recreation Specialist V for Harford County Government. It was here that she exercised her passion for helping other people through planning, organizing and fellowship. Karen wanted to connect with people on all levels and build a strong community and she was indeed successful. Karen was a well known and well-loved member of the Harford County Community.

Here are just a few of her involvements and accomplishments in the community:

- Received John Hopkins Children's Center Volunteer of the Year award
- 15 years Adult Volunteer with SMILES
- 15- year Volunteer for River Sweep Shoreline Cleanup of the Susquehanna River
- Received Governor's Award from Governor Bob Ehrlich for Leadership of the Havre de Grace Promenade rebuild after Hurricane Isabel.
- Received Mayor Hirsch's Havre de Grace Woman of the Year Award

In 2010 Karen was diagnosed with renal failure. She continued to work and be active within the community, all while receiving dialysis 3 times a week for 5 years until her body could no longer endure her workload due to kidney failure. It was at this time that she reluctantly decided to retire from a career that she had loved so long.

Karen delighted interacting with people and would achieve good relationships with those she encountered. She had a devoted husband in Art with twenty years of marriage. He later became her caregiver and went far and beyond to comfort her by spending endless hours in hospitals staying by her side. She also enjoyed the company of her nieces and nephews, playing board games, the Baltimore Ravens, poetry, making home crafts and visiting family during the holidays. Karen adhered to the words of the late great poet Maya Angelou. "I sustain myself with love of family."

Karen leaves us cherished memories and is survived by her loving husband Art Kettell; three brothers Gregory Green (Brenda Green), Peter Green, Paul Green; sister Deborah Jackson (Marcellus Jackson); four nieces, Monica Green, Erica Green, Meghan Green, Emily Green; 3 nephews, Eric Jackson, Jeffery Green and Matthew Green; two aunts Mary Presbury and Betty Mitchell and a multitude of other relatives and friends.



Professional Services Entrusted To

LISA SCOTT FUNERAL HOME, P.A.
552 Lewis Street. Havre de Grace, MD 21078
(410) 939-4940