



Karma Lynn Niemeyer

October 19, 1979 - June 10, 2021

Karma Lynn Niemeyer, age 41, of Bowling Green, Missouri, formerly of Jacksonville, Illinois, passed away peacefully from cancer on June 10, 2021 in her home while holding hands with her mother and daughter.

Karma was born on October 29, 1979 in Jacksonville, Illinois to Judy Niemeyer and Gordon Shepherd. She grew up in Jacksonville with her sister, Krystal. Karma was active in USA Track and Field and AAU, and traveled extensively around the United States to compete. Karma loved to swim and spent several years working as a lifeguard for the YMCA. During high school, Karma played volleyball, where she challenged opponents to return a wicked jump serve. She was also a member of the track team, specializing in discus. Less active high school endeavors included FBLA, the school newspaper, and band, where she played the flute, the piccolo, and was a flag bearer. Upon graduation, Karma received an appointment to the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland, where she played volleyball, continued her track and field career, sang in the United States Naval Academy Gospel Choir, and taught numerous cadets how to swim. She established many lifelong friendships at the academy and became an honorary member of her host family.

When she left the academy, Karma attended the University of Maryland College Park in Columbia, Maryland for a year before returning home and enrolling in the Capital Area School of Nursing in Springfield, Illinois, where

she graduated as valedictorian. She worked several years at St. John's Hospital; then The Wells Center; several nursing homes; and a doctor's office. Her most recent job was at Northeast Correctional Center in Bowling Green, Missouri, where she served as the infection control nurse.

Karma was preceded in death by her father; an infant son, Korey Christopher; her brother, Corey; her sister, Jodie; five uncles; both sets of grandparents; and numerous cousins.

Survivors include her mother, Judy Niemeyer; daughter, Kaya; brothers, Alex and Paul; sisters: Krystal, Brittany, Roma, Debra, and Deneen; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins. She left many friends behind as well.

Karma requested a visitation with no funeral; cremation; and at a later date, A Celebration of Life. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, June 16, 2021 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Bibb-Veach Funeral Homes and Crematory in Bowling Green.

Previous Events

Visitation

JUN **16**. 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

RM

“ I remember during the spring track practice she was always so happy and full of energy and didnt say a bad thing about anyone even if she smashed my throw . She was a joy to be around and know she will be missed



Rachel Mokrzycki - July 30, 2021 at 07:01 PM

CN

I just learned of Karma's passing today. We lost touch when she left for the Navel Academy. Karma worked with me at two different YMCA's and was an integral part of the aquatic team. She lived with my family for six months while she worked at the Y, attended college, and prepared to go to the Navel Academy. Karma easily became part of our family.

My first recollection of Karma was the day she walked into my office at 15 years old and announced to me that she was my new volunteer secretary. Two years later the National YMCA awarded her volunteer of the year. I was so proud to call Karma my friend and have never forgotten her. Rest in peace sweet girl.

Carol Norton - September 13, 2024 at 07:03 PM

DW

“ Awesome lady. I'm glad I met her. She was my Battalion Commander at the Naval Academy Preparatory School.

Daren Williams - June 29, 2021 at 11:12 PM

DK

“ So sorry for your loss! Our thoughts & prayers will be with all of you. Karma was a amazingly strong women. Who will be greatly missed. God has truly gained an Angle with her.



Danny & Sara Kuntz - June 16, 2021 at 07:18 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Karma Lynn Niemeyer.*



June 15, 2021 at 09:50 PM



“ *To Judy and family , May God bless you and keep you, Praying for all of you.*



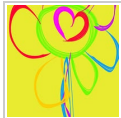
Peggy Howse - June 15, 2021 at 08:18 PM



“ *Donna Korte Wiss lit a candle in memory of Karma Lynn Niemeyer*



Donna Korte Wiss - June 15, 2021 at 05:43 PM



Deneen, my deepest sympathy to you and your family. Hugs and Prayers 🦋

Donna Korte Wiss - June 15, 2021 at 05:45 PM



“ 113 files added to the album *Life Tributes*

It's not that they're born brave
It's not that they're born strong
It's just that the universe has
decided that this one, this one
will have grit and fire and steel
in their blood. And it'll be
tested. They'll face trial after
trial, be broken and damaged in
countless ways.



Bibb-Veach Funeral Home's, LLC. - June 14, 2021 at 03:03 PM

KM

“ *Kathy McCarry lit a candle in memory of
Karma Lynn Niemeyer*



Kathy McCarry - June 14, 2021 at 02:28 PM

DS

“ *Debra L Smith sent a virtual gift in memory of
Karma Lynn Niemeyer*



Debra L Smith - June 13, 2021 at 11:11 PM

LH

“ *Karma we have so many memories together I am glad I was chosen as one of your friends. You will never be replaced and will forever be in my heart.* ”



LaToya Haley - June 13, 2021 at 01:29 PM

LE

“ *Laura England lit a candle in memory of Karma Lynn Niemeyer* ”



Laura England - June 13, 2021 at 12:36 AM

RG

“ *Robin Graver sent a virtual gift in memory of Karma Lynn Niemeyer* ”



Robin Graver - June 11, 2021 at 10:41 PM



“ *Sylvia Richardson lit a candle in memory of Karma Lynn Niemeyer* ”



Sylvia Richardson - June 11, 2021 at 08:14 PM



So sorry for your family's loss

Sammy Meyers - June 15, 2021 at 05:03 PM