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69 Years Old

Caren Ryan Schermerhorn, Capt., Air Force (retired), 69, passed away on Wednesday June 12, 2024, in her home in Rocklin, while on home hospice, surrounded by her immediate family.

She was born on October 9, 1954, in Buffalo, NY and was the daughter of John and Margaret Ryan. She grew up in East Aurora, NY and graduated from East Aurora High School in 1972. She received her Bachelors of Science in Nursing from Niagara University in 1976.

On August 2, 1986, at the Mission San Diego de Alcala in San Diego, she married Randall Albert Schermerhorn of Grand Blanc, MI.

Caren found strength and purpose in her Catholic faith and regularly attended Mass at SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church.

Caren worked as a critical care nurse for the majority of her nursing career. Before she retired in 2017, she worked as a classroom nurse working with children who had multiple severe disabilities. She was fiercely passionate

about the children she cared for and their families, and the bonds she formed with them extended beyond retirement, up until her passing.

Those close to Caren say she would light up whatever room she entered, was the life of the party, would always speak what was on her mind, and was spunky, sassy and loyal. She loved traveling, RV camping, skiing, golfing, reading, and spending time at the family cabin in Lake Tahoe. Most of all, she loved spending quality time with her family and friends, especially her grandchildren, those relationships were the core of her joy and happiness.

Caren is survived by her husband, Randall (Randy) Albert Schermerhorn, Lt. Col., Air Force (retired), of Rocklin; daughter, Kelsey (Aaron) Jansen of Omaha, NE; son, Ryan (Katie) Schermerhorn of Rocklin; three brothers, Mark Ryan of Elk Grove, David (Gina) Ryan of Elk Grove, and John Ryan of Madison, WI; and two sisters, Brenda Edgecomb (Ryan) of Oceanside and Laurie Ryan of Rocklin; two grandchildren, Mila and Dawson Schermerhorn; two brothers-in-law, Walt Martin of Rochester, NY and Kent (Judy) Schermerhorn of Boyne City, MI; and one sister-in-law, Karen (Bill) Lorne of East Jordan, MI. She was preceded in death by her parents and older sister, Shaun Martin.

A funeral service is scheduled for July 10th at 11am at SS. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Rocklin, followed by a social gathering including food and beverages. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center, Lung Cancer Research Program, in memory of Caren at <https://give.ucdavis.edu/Donate/YourGift/CC48528>. Arrangements by the Murray Family Funeral Home, Rocklin.

Cemetery Details

Sacramento Valley National Cemetery

5810 Midway Rd
Dixon, CA 95620
<https://www.cem.va.gov/cems/nchp/sacramento.asp>

Previous Events

Mass of Christian Burial

JUL 10. 11:00 AM (PT)

Saints Peter & Paul Catholic
4450 Granite Drive
Rocklin, CA 95677

Tribute Wall

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“ On behalf of the Pacific Region of the Society of Air Force Nurses (SAFN), I would like to express our sincere condolences at the loss of your loved one. Please know that we are also mourning the loss of one of our colleagues and friends. She was remembered in the monthly Memorial Program Message which is sent to all SAFN members so you may hear from other Air Force nurses who served with her.

With Sympathy,

*Lynn Von Schlieder, Major (Retired), USAF, NC
Pacific Region Memorial Representative
Society of Air Force Nurses*

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“ We have the fondest memories!



Kent Schermerhorn and family - June 25, 2024 at 11:24 PM

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