

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

My help cometh from the LORD.

Heaven and Earth.

he will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber. Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

## The LORD IS THY KEEPER:

the Lord is thy shade upon thy right hand.

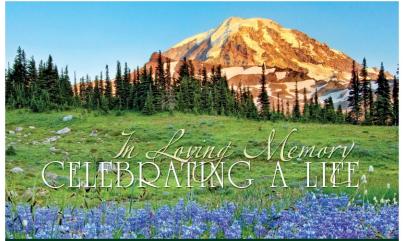
The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The Lord shall preserve thee from all evil:

He shall preserve thy soul.

The Lord shall preserve thy going
out and thy coming in from this time forth,
and even for evermore.

- Psalm 121



#### A Service of Christian Worship

McPherson Free Methodist Church Saturday, November 23, 2024, at 10:00 AM

#### **Officiants**

Rev. Tom Griffith ~ Rev. Dallas Burgeson Rev. Justin Mourn

#### **Service Music**

Processional Video:

"We Shall Behold Him", Sandi Patti

Opening Piano Piece: "It Is Well With My Soul"

Congregational Hymn: "Great Is Thy Faithfulness" #43

Video Tribute: "Softly and Tenderly" by Violinsify,

"Well Done" by The Afters, &

"No More Night" by David Phelps

Recessional Piano Piece: "I Can Only Imagine" Kathy Allen, pianist

#### **Casket Bearers**

Joel Ross ~ Kyler Ross ~ Parker Ross Peyton Ross ~ Keaton Ross ~ Jim Mayse ~ Matt Mayse

#### <u>Ushers</u>

John Buehrle ~ Steve Smith ~ Randy Clark

#### **Final Resting Place**

**McPherson Cemetery** 

### **Memorial Donations**

Memorial donations can be made to McPherson Free Methodist Church or Central Christian College of Kansas in care of Stockham Family Funeral Home, 205 North Chestnut, McPherson, KS 67460.

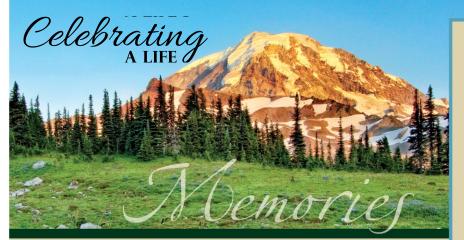
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# In Loving Memory Karen S. Mayse

May 29, 1941 - November 19, 2024





Karen Sue (Woods) Mayse was born May 29, 1941, in Princeton, Illinois. She was the daughter of Verdien "Jack" Eugene Woods and Jennie Blanche Lamar. Her mother died when Karen was only three years old. Her dad and wife, Elinor, and his sisters raised Karen.

She went to and graduated from Bureau Township Grade and High School in Illinois. Her first year of college was at Venard College in Iowa. She transferred to Greenville University in Illinois, graduating in 1963. Weeks later, Karen was united in marriage to P. Thomas Mayse on June 30, 1963, in the Bureau Township Community Church, a missionary church in Princeton, Illinois.

Within two months, Karen was teaching 4th grade in Shenandoah, Iowa. Tom was appointed pastor of the Shenandoah Free Methodist Church. Karen taught Sunday School classes and helped with the start of youth ministry in that church.

The church in Sioux City, Iowa thought they were receiving a ministry couple in 1970. Actually, they were receiving a young Tom and Karen's first child, family. Melanie Linn, was born there. In 1973, the Mayse family moved to Winona Lake, Indiana, where Karen worked for the Free Methodist World Headquarters. In 1975, Melissa "Missy" Sue was born in Warsaw, Indiana. Shortly after, Karen began caring for preschoolers in her home. Karen was most involved in children ministries at the Winona Lake Free Methodist Church. The family moved to McPherson, Kansas in 1985. Karen taught at Central Christian College of Kansas. She worked at the college for 20 plus years, retiring as Guidance Center Director.

Karen peacefully passed away on Tuesday, November 19, 2024, surrounded by her family at her home. She was eighty-three.

Karen is survived by her loving husband of 61 years, Tom of the home; two daughters, Melanie (Joel) Ross of Broken Arrow, OK and Missy Mayse of McPherson, KS; four grandsons, Kyler Ross, Parker Ross, Peyton (Bayley) Ross, and Keaton Ross; sister, Kathy Allen of Princeton, IL; sister-in-law, Sandy Woods of Greenwood, IN; brother-in-law, Jim Mayse of The Villages, FL; and many extended relatives and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Jennie, Verdien, & Elinor Woods; in-laws, Preston & Fern Mayse; brother, Joe Woods; brother-in-law, John Hart; sister-in-law, Verla Mayse; and brother-in-law, Larry Allen.





**Appreciation** 

Karen's family wishes to express their sincere appreciation for your prayers and kindness, evidenced in thought and deed, and your presence at this service.

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