



Merciful Mother of Earth,
Grant Clemency Compassion,
Comfort and Love, Mercy and
Grace to those of us who Love
and Seek your protection.

May the fragrance of your
roses rise to the Heavens
where the Master of the
Universe will hear our prayers,
wipe our tears and assist
(make your request here)
Turn it over to a Higher Being
and Breathe.

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF

KARON ROSA



JUNE 16, 1947 ~ JULY 24, 2020

Dr. Karon J. Rosa of North Little Rock, Arkansas and Palm Beach, Florida passed away on July 24, 2020. She was born June 16, 1947 in Mt. View, Arkansas to the late Albert Sherman Branscum and Mollie Passmore Branscum. Karon was preceded in death by her husband, Charles Rosa. Survivors include daughters, Kara Rosa of Palm Beach, Florida and Kris McKenzie of Little Rock, Arkansas; grandchildren: Chandler, Jett and Beckham McKenzie; siblings: Gloria Branscum, Pattie Hoffmann, Jack Branscum and Pamala Branscum and her special friend of the last two years, Ron Oliver as well as many additional family members and friends.

Karon enjoyed reading, traveling, theater, art, decorating, cooking, canning, gardening, quilting, sewing, and walking at least 10,000 steps daily. She loved her treasured family and many friends. She shared lots of interests with her two daughters Kara and Kris and nothing gave Nana more pride than her three grandchildren, Chandler, Jett and Beckham McKenzie. She was fondly known as Nana Kake by the grandchildren's friends and teachers. She devoted numerous hours reading and volunteering in her grandchildren's schools. Karon could take an ordinary or burdensome day and turn it into a magical and wonderful adventure.

Karon was an educator who recognized that education was the key to success. While in her role as a teacher, she provided a safe harbor for all students. Karon taught in the elementary school at Mountain View, Arkansas where the family lived until moving to North Little Rock to continue their ownership of Rosa Enterprises. Karon earned her masters degree in education from UCA Conway in 1972. She continued her career in higher education at Remington College, traveling and speaking throughout the United States. Karon received her doctorate in higher education from Nova Southeastern University, Fort Lauderdale, Florida. After achieving her doctorate she became the program director for the Arkansas Career Pathways Initiative (CPI) with the Arkansas Department of Higher Education.

Karon lived a full life in retirement including establishing a residence and life in Palm Beach, Florida where she found peace walking the beaches every day. She never knew a stranger and was Momma Rosa to many in both Palm Beach, Florida and North Little Rock, Arkansas. While living in Palm Beach she became an advocate and supporter for Compass Community Center in Florida.
