"Night Falls"

Night falls, but day dawns to replace it. Grief comes, but time will ease the pain... Life ends, but death cannot erase it... In memory, love always will remain.

There are those whose lives death can not diminish.

Their love radiates forever in the hearts of friends and loved ones,

And their light shines on in the lives they've touched for so many years.

In Memory of Karen M. Nykodym

Date of Birth

Tuesday, September 19, 1950 Hastings, Nebraska

Date of Death

Friday, June 5, 2020 Madison, Nebraska

Celebration of Life

11:00 a.m., Saturday, July 25, 2020 Home for Funerals Chapel Norfolk, Nebraska Reverend Donna Goltry, Officiating

Music

"Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"
"I Know that My Redeemer Lives"
"Softly and Tenderly Jesus is Calling"
Scott Goltry, Vocalist
Jan Hake, Pianist

Arrangements by HOME FOR FUNERALS Norfolk, Nebraska

John Burns Erik Gamerl

Karen was born to Alvin and Marcilene (Ebel) Kort in Hastings, Nebraska on September 19, 1950. She grew up south of Hastings in a rural community by the two towns of Blue Hill and Ayr. Later on, when she was 16 years old her parents moved west of Doniphan in 1966. Then, she graduated from Doniphan High School in 1969. After high school, she enrolled in the Grand Island Business School for a year and graduated in 1970. After graduation, Karen worked at Dutton Lainson Co. and Western Plastics Inc in Hastings doing secretarial work. On October 16, 1971, Karen married Norman Nykodym at St. Michael's Catholic Church in Hastings. To this union the couple was blessed with three children, Michele, Brian, and Kevin. In April 1975, they moved to St. Louis Park, MN and lived there for 3 years. Then, the family moved to Madison to start farming and have lived there since. Karen worked at the Bank of Madison now called Frontier Bank for 29 years. She loved to serve her customers. Also, Karen helped at the Knights of Columbus Hall catering weddings. She is survived by her husband, Norman, children Michele (Dale) Preister of Humphrey, Brian Nykodym of Madison, and Kevin (Angie) Nykodym of Lincoln, two granddaughters Taylor and Anna Nykodym of Lincoln, brothers Loren (Olivia) Kort of El Paso, TX and Larry Kort of Hastings, sisters Cheryl (Dennis) Harder of Grand Island and Kathy (Max) Schroeder of Juniata, and numerous nieces, nephews, and great nieces and nephews. Karen was preceded in death by her parents.