



## Frances (Kathy) Karleskint

April 15, 1935 - October 29, 2018

Frances (Kathy) Karleskint died peacefully on October 29, 2018 in Longwood, FL at the age of 83.

Frances (Kathy) Karleskint is survived by her brother, Robert Almquist (Veda), her sister Carol Smith and sons Greg (Donna) Karleskint, Terry Karleskint, Rick (Barbara) Karleskint, Jerry (Debbie) Karleskint and Ray Karleskint as well as 9 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren.

Frances was born on April 15, 1935 in Des Moines, Iowa. A funeral is scheduled for Saturday, November 3rd at 12 noon, with a viewing from 11am-12 noon.

In lieu of flowers , donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association ([www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) )

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 3. 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM (ET)

St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Church  
861 Maitland Avenue  
Altamonte Springs, FL 32701

## Funeral Mass

NOV 3. 12:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

DS

“ A great deal of distance always separated us. Still the little time I got to spend with her will always be remembered with love and fondness.

*I'm grinning ear to ear as I remember a couple times she grabbed me by the hair on the back of my neck and got my attention. No doubt I deserved it and I'll bet I wasn't the only one to come to attention in such a manner.*

*You will be loved, missed and remembered by all so lucky to have known you.*

*Rest in Peace. God bless.*

*Dan Smith*

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**Dan Clayton Smith** - November 04, 2018 at 06:29 PM

MI

“ Kathy was an angel to us all. She was always smiling and laughing. She took Lauralee and I in as immediate family making us feel loved. She was a bonus grandmother to us. We loved the cookouts at her house by the pool and all her bears. The family gatherings were so much fun. Always looked forward to seeing her happy smile and warm hugs. She will be missed so much but we know she is still looking over us and watching out for us all. We love you Kathy.

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**Michele Illuzzi** - November 03, 2018 at 07:47 AM

LG

“ Kathy was our neighbor and friend for almost 40 years. We will miss her happy smile and our "mail box" visits. She was concerned that we would flood if a hurricane hit and for almost 40 years she would call and tell us we could take refuge with her. I feel sure she is keeping watch for our safety . Lea & Dick Goring

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**Lea Goring** - November 03, 2018 at 05:51 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Frances (Kathy) Karleskint.*



November 02, 2018 at 03:31 PM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray was purchased for the family of Frances (Kathy) Karleskint.*



November 02, 2018 at 11:17 AM



“ *Your Light Shines was purchased for the family of Frances (Kathy) Karleskint.*



November 01, 2018 at 08:20 PM



“ *I fondly remember Kathy as a dear friend and neighbor. My love and prayers to all the family..Hazel Rhodes*

**Hazel Rhodes** - November 01, 2018 at 06:42 PM

LM

“ *Love Always Dave, Courtney, Merissa purchased the Arrive in Style for the family of Frances (Kathy) Karleskint.*



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**Love Always Dave, Courtney, Merissa** - October 31, 2018 at 10:49 PM

RK

“ *Rick and Barbara Karleskint purchased the Rose Romanesque Bouquet for the family of Frances (Kathy) Karleskint.*



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**Rick and Barbara Karleskint** - October 31, 2018 at 04:41 PM

JK

“ Mom,

*You were indeed the Grand Lady as I heard you referred to. You were an awesome mom, always selfless and putting everyone ahead of you, though you should have been first. Our house was full of love....and a cast iron skillet for balance. You were the ultimate matriarch of our family and taught all 5 of your boys to be proper gentlemen and how much family means. You will never be gone but always in my mind, though I've lost a piece of my heart. Sunday dinners won't be the same without your quiet presence taking in all the family activities around the table. I love you always and you've stamped my heart forever. You were an angel on earth and now have your wings. I will see you again.*

Love,

Jerry

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**Jerry Karleskint** - October 31, 2018 at 09:40 AM

JR

“ *I last spoke to Aunt Kathy about three weeks ago. I was with Mom (Carol). We were at Mom's favorite place to sit and look at the reservoir. I called Aunt Kathy and put her on speaker so Mom could say hi. Aunt Kathy called Mom regularly. At least 2-3 times a week. I'm so glad I was able to see and visit with her last winter. She was so caring, loving, and gracious. I will miss her very much. I'm planning to attend the funeral on Saturday. Love to everyone and see you soon.*



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**Jan Rastall** - October 30, 2018 at 05:35 PM

DK

“ I was truly blessed to have the best mother in law that anyone can imagine. I hope to be close to that for my daughter in laws. You have shown by example. I was so lucky to have you for 40 years as a mom. You were a great grandma to our boys and you really lit up when you got to hold Aiden. I know you are in a better place but you will missed so much by all of us. We love you. One of my memories of Kathy was when I would ask her for a recipe she had made. She would say that she would use her hand for measuring. She would tell me that you just put this much in your hand. I would say my hand is a lot bigger than yours and she said then use a little less. She was truly and angel on earth as I told her often. She will be missed.

Donna

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**Donna Karleskint** - October 30, 2018 at 05:27 PM

GK

“ Mom,

*Just a quick note to let you know how deeply missed you will be, but I know you are happier where you are flying amongst the angel's as you well deserve. Having raised five sons had to be quite the challenge. I realize the last couple of years have been a challenge for you but it was sure nice still having you around. Will meet up with you again some day. I will always love you and remember you as the number one Mom.*

Love Always,

Greg

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**Greg Karleskint** - October 30, 2018 at 05:09 PM

JS

“ Aunt Kathy was loved and enjoyed by all. We will miss her dearly. I always tried to make a visit to see her any time I was in the Orlando area, as it always made the trip far more enjoyable. From coming alone, or with my wife and kids, she always made you feel more than welcome. Her kindness and concern for others will be just a few of the things I remember about her. We pass along our condolences to our Karleskint family, know that we are praying for you. May GOD bless you all in your time of need.  
GOD bless Aunt Kathy, may she rest in eternal peace.

Love,

Jeff, Cheryl, and Family

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Jeff Swift - October 30, 2018 at 03:31 PM