



Karen Lynn Brayton

October 11, 1951 - April 11, 2025

Karen Lynn Brayton, 73, of Traverse City, went home to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ on April 11, 2025, at her home surrounded by her loving family. She was born on October 11, 1951, to Bill and Doris Stein of Kingsley. Karen graduated from Kingsley High School in 1970 and played basketball for the Lady Stags. After high school Karen became a Registered Nurse and worked at Munson Medical Center in Traverse City and then worked in home health care until she retired. She was a member of East Bay Calvary Church where she served as an AWANA leader, youth group leader, and enjoyed making floral arrangements and decorations for the church. She made many lifelong friends at East Bay Calvary and later became a member at Kingsley Baptist Church where she served as the Christian Service Committee Director.

She enjoyed camping, traveling, and cheering on her children and grandchildren's sporting activities. Her greatest love was spending time with her family.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, David Brayton, and their three children; Michael (Anne) Brayton, Michelle (Lance) DeVries, and Matthew Brayton and 12 grandchildren; Zach, Jenna, Nicholas, Kara Brayton, Emmersen, Easton, Elliot, and Evelyn Devries and Elyse, Marin, Brooke and Maisy Brayton, and her brother Randy Stein.

A funeral service will be held on Saturday, April 19th; 11am with visitation one hour prior to the service at Cornerstone Church of Kingsley. Burial will take

place at Maple Grove Cemetery in Grawn.

Memorial contributions made in Karen's name may be directed to Cornerstone Church of Kingsley.

Arrangements have been entrusted to Kalkaska Funeral Home & Cremation services.

Cemetery Details

Maple Grove Cemetery

2455 Co Rd 633
Grawn, MI 49637

Previous Events

Visitation

APR 19. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (ET)

Cornerstone Church of Kingsley
7511 Blackman Road
Kingsley, MI 49649

Funeral Service

APR 19. 11:00 AM (ET)

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Tribute Wall



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Karen Lynn Brayton.

April 17, 2025 at 09:09 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Karen Lynn Brayton.



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“ The Grames family purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Karen Lynn Brayton.



The Grames family - April 17, 2025 at 07:54 PM



“ Mark, Oscar and Liam Watson planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Karen Lynn Brayton.

Mark, Oscar and Liam Watson - April 17, 2025 at 10:56 AM

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“ *Mark, Oscar and Liam Watson purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Karen Lynn Brayton.*



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“ *Dave sorry to read of your wife's pasting may she rest in peace*

*Hope and pray that you live life the best you can
Fred Braun (the bicycle man)*

Frederick Braun - April 16, 2025 at 07:58 AM