



## Mrs. Karban T. Bunting

April 6, 2020

Karban T. Bunting passed peacefully Monday April 6th; she was 77 years old. Karban was born in Decatur, IL and moved to Statesboro with her husband Dennis and son Bryce in 1977. She was preceded in death by her husband of 50 years Dennis, and her parents Mel and Josephine Overfield.

She is survived by a large and loving family including her son Bryce, and his wife Mandy (Statesboro), her niece, Lisa Simmons who was like her daughter, and her husband Jim also of Statesboro. Karban's three grandchildren were the light of her life. The eldest Crawford Simmons and wife Meredith (Statesboro) are expecting Karban's first great-grandchild in a few short days. Addison Simmons (Statesboro), her youngest and only granddaughter and Josh Bunting and his wife Emily (Augusta). She is also survived by her loving sister, Lynn Petersen, her sister-in-law Kathy Wolfe of Alton IL and her dear nieces and nephews: Chris Bunting (Nicki) of Bellville IL, Lauren Rose of Alton IL, Bryan Petersen of Bozeman, MT and Stacey Petersen of Salt Lake City ,UT.

Last, but certainly not least, the family is grateful for the friendship and support from her 2nd family at the Lodge at Bethany and for Katasha Armand who lovingly cared for her during the last several years of her life and who Karban dearly loved.

Karban's passion was helping students read better through her Reading Comprehension classes. Along her way to helping dozens of children and many adults become better readers she garnered the attention of Georgia Southern and served in the 80s and 90s as the Academic Advisor for the GSU Men's Basketball Team and the Unofficial "Team Mom". They were "her boys" and they hold a special place in her heart to this day.

Due to the obvious constraints of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, a private graveside service will be held Saturday at Bulloch Memorial Gardens. The family will tentatively plan for a Celebration of her life to be held at a later date, likely in June.

The family requests that in lieu of flowers, please consider a memorial donation to Ogeechee Area Hospice, PO Box 531, Statesboro, GA 30459-0531

Friends may sign the online register book at [www.joineranderson.com](http://www.joineranderson.com)

Joiner-Anderson Funeral Home & Crematory of Statesboro is in charge of arrangements.

# Cemetery

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## **Bulloch Memorial Gardens**

22002 Highway 80 East

Statesboro, GA, 30459

# Comments

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“ Karban & I met at the golf club in K L Malaysia we Spent the best part of 3 yrs playing golf & socialising together , we had a wonderful time together , after my husband & I left K L we visited Karban & Dennis for Christmas & New yr of 1998 it was an amazing trip & Karban & Dennis were the perfect hosts , I have kept in touch with Karban on F/T which I'm not too sure that Karban new much about ! We chatted a lot & laughed a lot , she was a lovely friend , & I still treasure a score card that she. Signed for me when I had the best game of golf at that time, she wrote that I was such a "show off" , ithink my last F/ T her was about 6 weeks before she sadly died, she had such a happy smiling face, I will miss her very much R I P dear dear friend Karban , From your fiend in the U K  
Mary Xxx

Mary Halloran - April 23, 2020 at 11:36 AM

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“ Karban lived a remarkable life filled with a love of family, friends, learning, sharing her knowledge with others in need while making a special relationship connection with many students.  
Her love and caring spirit will be greatly missed.

Marilyn Hill

marilyn hill - April 17, 2020 at 05:13 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss.

Gisela and Waldemar Guentner

Mr. & Mrs. Waldemar Guentner - April 10, 2020 at 04:31 PM

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“ My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family. Karban brought joy to all she came in contact with. She always had a story or two to share and had one of the biggest hearts of anyone I have ever had the pleasure to know. Peace of the Lord be with you and your family today and in the days to come.

Gene and Melissa



**Melissa Snyder** - April 10, 2020 at 03:15 PM

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“ Carter and I are so sorry for your loss. You are in our prayers. As we can't see you at this time, please know we are sending you our love.

**Carter and Rebecca Collins** - April 09, 2020 at 09:33 PM

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“ Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family and everyone that had a chance to meet Mrs. B. She was truly an angel and shared her loving spirit to all. As a member of the Georgia Southern Men's Basketball team we had a chance to become part of the Bunting family. They welcomed us in their home and taught us so much about education, life, and love. It was amazing to start with a study session and end up talking politics, marriage, adulthood challenges and endless topics. I know I'm a better Man because I had a chance to grow under her tutelage, and my family is better because my wife and kids had a chance to share in some of those experiences. We love you Mrs. B and now you are back home with Mr. B. We miss both of you and if we can continue to follow your teachings, we will see you again. Love, The Curry Family.

**Michael Curry** - April 08, 2020 at 12:35 PM



“ Michael - Thank you so much for your kind comments. I hope you and Katrina and your family are safe and well! You and the GSU Mens Basketball Team were her other Sons and she loved you all dearly! (Bryce)

**Bryce Bunting** - April 08, 2020 at 02:18 PM

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“ Enjoyed taking care of Ms Karbon - she was a delight & kept us all on our toes. I appreciate her family's dedication.  
Ann DeLoach, LPN

ann deloach - April 08, 2020 at 09:24 AM

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“ My thoughts and prayers to all the family. May you find peace and comfort during this time of loss.  
Seeing the photo of Karban brought a smile on my face and immediately rekindled my memories of her and our many conversations from years ago. Our friendship began when I was a nurse at her doctors office and later her Mom's, Joe companion friend and sitter. The three of us shared stories, laughed at ourselves and each other and solved a lot of problems and probably made a few! But we had a special friendship knowing we had each other just a phone call away. She loved golf, friends, the well being of others and the priority of life, her family.  
The times we saw each other in the last years were few, but seemed like yesterday within a minute after saying hello. What a special lady. Although I may not have met you, I knew you through Karban and I thank you for sharing her life with me.  
Blessings to all.  
Marge (Durden) Hendrix

Marge Hendrix - April 07, 2020 at 10:49 PM

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“ Oh Karbon what memories we had that golf course has so much laughter on those fairways I will miss you so much. Always willing to help and never knew she was so sick. Last conversation was full of that contagious laughter Peace be with you. I know Denis will be waiting. Fly high my friend. You will always be in my heart with the greatest of memories your friend always

freda johson - April 07, 2020 at 06:22 PM

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“ So sorry for your loss.

Alison Carter - April 07, 2020 at 05:31 PM

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“ Mandy Hirsch Lane lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Karban T. Bunting



**Mandy Hirsch Lane** - April 07, 2020 at 11:21 AM

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“ I always enjoyed sitting with Karban as we watched/cheered our Daniel, Crawford and their Statesboro High baseball teammates. She was one of the most dedicated grandmothers I ever met. We know her passing will leave a void in all of your lives!  
Donna and Fred Whitt

**Donna` Whitt** - April 07, 2020 at 10:51 AM

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“ I am so sorry to hear about this. Love to you Bryce and Mandy.

**Dawn Oliver** - April 07, 2020 at 09:08 AM