



Karen Suzi" Estes

October 12, 1963 - December 18, 2018

Karen "Suzi" (Whitaker) Estes, 55, a loving mother and grandmother passed away on December 18, 2018 after a courageous battle with cancer in Anderson. She was born on October 12, 1963, the daughter of Jack and Dorothy Whitaker in Gary, Indiana. Suzi resided in Anderson most of her life, but also lived in Austin, Texas and Port St. Joe, Florida.

Suzi was a 1981 graduate of Madison Heights High School where she sang in the concert choir. She later attended Ball State University.

Besides being a homemaker for three boys, Suzi worked at the Allstate insurance agency that she and her husband Rodger founded. Later she became a licensed agent there. Afterwards, she worked in real estate in northern Florida and, most recently, she was a supervisor at Republic Services in Fishers. In her younger years, Suzi modeled in fashion shows for the Dorothy Blevins Shoppe and also at the Elder-Beerman department store in Anderson.

She attended the North Anderson Church of God.

One of Suzi's greatest joys was spending time with her grandchildren. She had a lively playfulness that they all loved. She also loved to go camping and kayaking with her family, mostly in Southern Indiana, and

also enjoyed spending time at the beach. She will also be remembered for the love for her friends and her vivacious personality.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Rodger Estes; father, Jack Whitaker M.D.; mother, Dorothy Whitaker; mother-in-law Rosie Estes; and infant grandson Boone Estes.

Suzi is survived by her loving sons, Colin, Cody and Carson Estes, of Anderson; and grandchildren, Cameron, Baileigh, and Mckaylynn of Middletown. Other surviving family members include: sisters Kathy Butler of Olathe, KS, Diane (Tim) Gray of Marion, Debra Whitaker of Berry, KY; brother Kirk Whitaker of Anderson; and father-in-law Ray Estes of Ft. Myers, FL.

A celebration of Suzi's life will be held Saturday, Dec. 29th from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Carriage House at Loose Funeral Home 200 West 53rd St., Anderson.

Cemetery Details

Cremation will take place

Anderson, IN

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

DEC **29**. 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM (ET)

Loose Funeral Homes & Crematory
200 W 53rd St
Anderson, IN 46013
(765) 649-5255
info@loosecares.com

Tribute Wall

MC

“ I miss you so muck I wish you were still here sitting next to me you had the most wonderful smile. It is a hard life with out you especially with this vires going around but I miss you and love you be the best angle ever miss you love you.

P.S. you r probable wondering if I am doing any sports well I and doing horse back riding lessons and I ride the horse Missy and she with be turning 30 in May. and I said this because I know you love horses miss you love you.

Mckaylynn - November 24, 2020 at 04:54 PM

DI

“ Suzi, you always had such a beautiful smile and you were there for us when Don passed away. Offering words of encouragement and just being there. What an angel you were. Guess you were needed elsewhere. I'm sure your holding that grand baby. Thoughts and prayers are with your family and friends. You will truly be missed.



David and Teresa Irick - January 01, 2019 at 11:03 PM

 Mark
Sidwell

“ *A Toast for my friend:
Here's to the special ones, whose laughter, wit, and strength impact
our lives.*

*May their memories comfort us.
May their stories be told often.
May their positive spirit resonate forever.*

*Raise a glass, beverage of your choice, and remember our friend,
not for being gone too early, but for their smiles that will power us
forward. CHEERS SUZI...*

Mark Sidwell - January 01, 2019 at 10:21 PM

JW

“ *I can't stop thinking about you Suzi. I'm very sad you had to battle
cancer and go thru so much . I looked for pictures I had and I have
your beautiful senior picture , modeling wedding dresses , and a
picture of your initiation into the high school sorority , you were my
Little Sis. I made you wear a crazy dress to school with hair rollers
and then we went to the mall . We had a great time at rehearsals for
the musical Bye Bye Birdie . We practiced together for auditions for
Highlighters , neither of us made it, but we tried . I remember when
you met Rodger and telling me about your first date. Visited me in
my dorm at Ball State. Came to my wedding. Remember when I
babysat the twins and I was pregnant for Adam . You amazed me
because you handled being a mother of twins perfectly and I was
nervous having one baby . I remember you and Rodgers first house
. Charlie and I coming over for get togethers. I just want you to know
how sorry I am that I didn't keep in touch . I will cherish memories
and I know your with God and your parents and Rodger. Someday
we will meet again .*

Jenny Baker - Williamson

Jenny Williamson - December 29, 2018 at 04:22 PM

CW

“ You were absolutely the best work friend to have here in the center. I didn't get to know you as well as I wanted to but I hope you know that you were such an inspiring spirit to be around. I hope you found peace after everything you went through.

Christel Williams - December 28, 2018 at 04:51 PM



“ Misty Rambis lit a candle in memory of Karen Suzi" Estes



Misty Rambis - December 28, 2018 at 12:15 AM



Heavenly Suzi .. I hope you save a place there for me like I asked you ♡ I know you are at Peace & our of pain but I will still miss you. It didn't matter how long we went without seeing each other, we always went back to the way we were coz we were sisters on Earth & shared a great many memories.

I played the DOOBIE Brothers tonight & remembered how much fun it was when you came to Visit me & we went to the DOOBIE brothers "FAREWELL" Concert & literally snuck under the stage! It was an Adventure! You had NO FEAR & you were the BRAVEST girl I ever met!

You held onto your BRAVE SOUL & YOU NEVER GAVE UP THE FIGHT! I'm in see of you for the HOPE you had til the very end.

I'M SO PROUD OF YOU!

I LOVE YOU FOREVER & IN HEAVEN! ♡♡♡♡♡♡♡♡♡♡

Misty Rambis - December 29, 2018 at 12:04 AM



PS

No worries.. I'll still love your kids for you.. I promise!

Misty Rambis - December 29, 2018 at 12:05 AM

MC

I miss u s much I wish u were still here sitting right next to me I love u.

Mckaylynn - November 24, 2020 at 04:44 PM

MC

P.S. This is a very hard time with out u and with this sickness going around

Mckaylynn - November 24, 2020 at 04:45 PM

RH

“ *I'll miss you always Suzi. Miss our long talks and laughing at work. I'll never forget you talking about all of your boys and grandkids and how much you loved them all no matter what was going on. You fought so hard with this horrible disease and handled it all with such a tough spirit.* ❤️❤️



robin hunter - December 27, 2018 at 10:19 PM

JF

“ *Jenny Baker - Williamson and family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Karen Suzi" Estes.*



Jenny Baker - Williamson and family - December 27, 2018 at 04:07 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Karen Suzi" Estes.*



December 27, 2018 at 12:41 PM



“ *Suzi i grew you'll with her and the boys when i was younger, going camping and having a blast. She was such a great person to be around they all were. Its sad to hear that she has passed, i will definitely niss her...*



Harley Harless - December 27, 2018 at 08:28 AM



“ *So sorry I can't be there....prayers to all her family.....*



Dawn Bauer Perry - December 26, 2018 at 06:10 PM



“ *I am so sad to hear of Suzi's passing. She & Roger were my insurance agents for many years & she rode to work with me for several years. They treated me like family & she always left me laughing. I will miss them both so much! May she rest in peace!*

Lou Ann Moreland-Cummins - December 26, 2018 at 03:12 AM

JW

“ I’m so sad to hear that my high school friend has passed . We had a great friendship and had so much fun . We were in choir together , classes , modeling , and many double dates . Suzi made everything fun and was great to be around . Wish we hadn’t lost touch but I have great memories . I will miss you . Rest In Peace Suzi .
Jenny Baker - Williamson

Jenny Williamson - December 25, 2018 at 07:55 PM

MZ

I have many fond memories of Suzi in high school. She always brought a smile to my face. I was thrilled to read her life story of family and career, because I know how she can brighten the lives of those around her. Suzi will be missed, God rest her in peace.

Mark Zetzer - December 28, 2018 at 07:13 PM

KL

“ I’ll always remember and love Suzi’s ability to make others laugh and feel happy whenever she was around. A wonderful person. Rest In Peace Suzi.



Kobey Velie Lyons - December 25, 2018 at 07:03 PM

JK

“ Jacqueline Carter- King lit a candle in memory of Karen Suzi” Estes



Jacqueline Carter- King - December 25, 2018 at 09:15 AM

EF

“ *Suzi - Where do I begin? I suppose that we'd have to go back to 1966 when I first met you. Our fathers were best friends and comrades in medicine. We became next door neighbors 2 years later, growing up with they wonderfully typical childhood trials and tributes. Throughout the decades our families remained intertwined and close. We were always together at monumental family occasions; weddings, funerals, graduations, etc. However, I never imagined having to say a final goodbye to my sister from another mister. With a heavy heart, I say to you - rest in peace, as you deserve it. Be with Rodger throughout eternity. Lovingly,
Erick*

Erick Faust - December 24, 2018 at 10:13 PM