



Karen Shipp

October 3, 1952 - May 9, 2025

Karen Shipp of Woodstock, Ga passed away on Friday, May 9, 2025 at the age of 72. She was born on October 3, 1952 in Atlanta, Georgia. Karen was a Labor and Delivery Nurse for over 40 years as well as a child birth educator and the author of “Love & Loss: A Guide to Family Healing After the Loss of Your Baby”. Karen received her Bachelor’s of Science in Nursing from Medical College of Georgia and her Masters in Community Counseling from Georgia State University. Karen is survived by her husband, Peter Shipp of Woodstock Ga, her daughters, Jennifer Shipp and Kristin Shipp of Marietta, Ga, her grandsons, Braxton Shipp and Theodore Shipp and her sister Virginia Anderson of New Salisbury, IN.

The Shipp family will receive friends for a Celebration of Life Saturday, May 17th 3-5 at the Northside Chapel, 12050 Crabapple Road, Roswell, Ga 30075. The family requests that you come wearing bright casual attire. Karen’s love of Florida’s Forgotten Coast and the community of St. George Island was a core part of who she was. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to the Franklin County Florida Humane Society. <http://www.forgottenpets.org/how-you-can-help.aspx>

Cemetery Details

Cremation - Northside Chapel Crematory

12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Previous Events

Celebration Of Life

MAY 17. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

Northside Chapel Funeral Directors & Crematory
12050 Crabapple Road
Roswell, GA

Tribute Wall

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“ Here's something almost no one but Karen and I ever knew. In 1969, before either of us turned 21, we "stole" The Comet, our dad's back-up car that Karen was driving, and took off for the Kentucky Derby! We drove straight through, slept in the car, dressed and put on make-up in a gas-station bathroom, and headed for the track! No one asked us for an ID! We were in!

I had a terrible crush on the winning jockey. I joined a throng clamoring for his autograph. Karen whispered to me, "Ask him to give you a rose."

*I didn't have the guts to do that, but when I began the first scribbles for what was to become my first published mystery novel, *King of the Roses,* that was the working title: Ask Him to Give You a Rose.*

We made it safely home, no one the wiser. I have told a few select people about this adventure. Who did Karen confess to?

I also want to say about Karen that she read my first two novels-in-progress before they were published and she was my very best reader: insightful and direct and right.

I'm hoping to successfully post my favorite picture of Karen. This was before Jennifer and Kristin were born. She is with my friend's daughter, Sarah Clarke. Karen looks so radiant here.

I have enjoyed knowing my nieces and the boys. I know how much Karen loved her girls and what a good mother she was to them, and how much they loved her.



Virginia Anderson - May 13, 2025 at 11:27 AM

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“ *My Condolences to all of Karen's Family, She was my very first nurse manager and I adored her! Bonnelle Kuder*

Bonnelle Kuder - May 12, 2025 at 03:57 PM